

# PORT GUICHON Elementary School

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## NEWSLETTER

No. 9 – June 2012

Dear Parents and Guardians:

For many of us, June has arrived so quickly that it is hard to believe that the school year is wrapping up. We would like to thank our school community for all the hard work that was put into this successful year. There are several events to look forward to in June, including Sports Day on June 13<sup>th</sup>, our Parent Appreciation Assembly on the 20<sup>th</sup> and our Year End Assembly on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

As we enter June, we anticipate having more parents in the building as events occur. We would like to remind you to please check in at the office for a visitor tag as you enter the school.

Thank you to all the parents who have been utilizing our new drop off/pick up roundabout. We are finding that it is alleviating much of the traffic concerns that we were having in the past. Please continue to use the new roundabout whenever possible. This also frees up parking spaces in our lot. Please help us to remind your children that bikes, roller blades, scooters, skateboards and other forms of “wheels” should not be ridden while on school grounds. This is for their safety and the safety of others and to avoid accidental collisions. Please also encourage your children to wear helmets when riding or wheeling to and from school.

Port Guichon is looking to expand our collection of musical instruments. If you have any musical instruments that you are no longer using, please consider donating them to the school. We are especially looking for band instruments that could use a new home.

Please note that as always, the first day of school will be a short day. During the first day of school for next year, students will be asked to go to their previous year’s teacher for that first day. We realize that students and families are excited to find out who their new teacher will be, and that this process is different then what has been done in the past. However, this will allow school staff to make any final adjustments to our classes, account for any changes in our school population and to allow teachers to reconnect with their students from the previous year. Our intention with this process is to avoid having to move any students once they have been assigned to a class, since we know that moving classes can be very stressful for many children. Since our school population is normally fairly stable, we are confident that the classes can be finalized by the next day.

Lastly, we would like to thank our Port Guichon PAC for all their support and hard work and for making Port Guichon the wonderful school that it is.

Mark Douangchanh, Vice Principal – Port Guichon

Bob Thompson, Principal – Port Guichon & Neilson Grove

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Suzie Pearson who represented Port Guichon at the Ladner May Day Celebrations at Memorial Park.

### SUMMER READING BOOK SWAP

Our PAC is organizing a book swap so that students can have new and interesting things to read during the summer break. Please bring those books that you’ve already read and are just collecting dust to the PG Library on Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. The PAC will sort the books and students will have the opportunity to pick out some summer reading on Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

### LOST AND FOUND

We invite you to drop by, check the lost and found and claim items belonging to your family. Please take the time to check for jackets, sweatshirts, shoes, pants, shorts, etc. **Articles that have not been claimed when the students are dismissed on Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, will be donated to charity.**



## SPORTS DAY

Sports Day at Port Guichon will be held on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting. Students are encouraged to wear their team colours. Students should report to class as usual at 8:45 AM. All decorated wheels should be put in the gym. The bike parade will begin at 9:00 AM.

If the weather is threatening, news of the postponement will be broadcast over Radio Station CKNW (980) as soon after 7:30 AM as possible. *The alternate day will be Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, with the bike parade beginning at 10:00 AM and dismissal at the regular time of 3:00 PM.*

The concession stand will open outside by the gym at 9:00 am. **Volunteers are needed to help in the concession stand and with distribution of the hot dog lunch to classrooms. If you can help, please contact Nona Ewert at 604 946-1154.**

## CAN YOU HELP?

June is a very busy month and the PAC is looking for help with the following activities:

- Counting Hot Dog orders on Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, in preparation for Sports Day
- Concession helpers & Hot Dog Lunch distribution on Sports Day, Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup>,
- Pizza Lunch distribution on Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact Nona Ewert at 604-946-1154 (or see the sign-up sheet posted at the school.

## PARENT APPRECIATION ASSEMBLY

Have you ...

- Driven on a Field Trip?
- Made Hot Dogs? Distributed hot lunch?
- Helped out with a sporting event?
- Bought cookie dough, wrapping paper or poinsettias?
- Volunteered in the Library or a Classroom?
- Made "Safe Arrival" attendance phone calls?
- Helped at Spring Fair or Sports Day?

Please plan to attend our **Parent Appreciation Assembly on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 from 12:55 to 1:45 PM** in the Port Guichon Gym so we can "Thank You" for your help!

## PLANNING TO MOVE?

To help us plan as accurately as possible for the 2012-2013 school year, please notify the school as early as possible if you plan to leave Port Guichon and not return in September. Notification in writing would be appreciated. Also, please keep us updated on any changes to phone numbers or emergency contact information. Thank you for your cooperation.



## FINAL DAY IN JUNE

**Please join us for our Final Year-End Assembly on Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, at 8:50 a.m.** We will be celebrating our students' accomplishments this year and congratulating our Grade 7 students on their graduation from Port Guichon Elementary School. All Port Guichon students will be **dismissed for the year at 10:30 AM on Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**. Final report cards will be sent home at this time.

*Magical Nook*  
Childcare center



Located at Port Guichon Elementary

**Spaces available for the Summer and September 2012**

For more information, call 604-306-2296

Or email us at [linda@magicalnook.com](mailto:linda@magicalnook.com)

Please check out our website at [www.magicalnook.com](http://www.magicalnook.com)

Many divisions will be taking fieldtrips during this busy month.  
Please be sure to check your child's planner and backpack for fieldtrip notices.

PORT GUICHON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS	
<b>Book Collection for Book Swap</b> Wednesday, June 6	Bring those books that you've already read and are just collecting dust to the Library today for our Summer Reading Book Swap that will take place on Friday, June 8th
<b>Sports Day Lunch Money Due</b> Friday, June 8	<b>Orders must be into the school by 9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Summer Reading Book Swap</b> Friday, June 8	Thank you to the PAC for once again coordinating a Summer Reading Book Swap so that our students will have new and interesting things to read over the summer.
<b>Sports Day</b> Wednesday, June 13 NOTE: Dismissal at 1:45 PM	Please join us, starting with the Wheels parade at 9:00 a.m. Our theme this year is "Let's Go Canada – 2012 Olympics!" Students will receive their ordered Hot Dog lunches today and a concession will also be available. Recyclable materials should be used for decorating bikes and wheels. (Alternate day, if raining, is Thursday, June 14)
<b>Pre-Ordered Pizza Lunches</b> Friday, June 15	Thank you, PAC, for these special lunches organized and ordered in April.
<b>Parent Appreciation Assembly</b> Wednesday, June 20	12:52 PM. We invite you to join us in the Gym for our annual presentation by Port Guichon students. Please accept our "thank you" for all you do in support of programs here at Port Guichon.
<b>Grade 7 Grad Lunch</b> Monday, June 25	Congratulations to our Grade 7 students and thank you to the Grade 7 parents for organizing this celebration.
<b>Backwards Day</b> Wednesday, May 27	Have dinner at 8:00 AM and wear your shirt buttoned down the back! It's Backwards Day at Port Guichon!
<b>Jitterbug Run</b> Wednesday, June 27	11:30 AM Parents are invited to join us for our monthly run, or to encourage our students on along the route.
<b>Last Day of School</b> Thursday, June 28	Last Day of School for Students Assembly – 8:50 AM – Parents are welcome to join us in the Gym for our year-end assembly and Grade 7 Graduation ceremony. Students Dismissed/Report Cards Home - 10:30 AM

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*Does your Child (7-15 yrs.) have Asthma or Severe Allergies?*

**Would you like your child/adolescent to feel more confident?**

**Would you like your child/adolescent to learn about managing his/her asthma/severe allergies/anaphylaxis?**

**Would you like your child to connect with other children/youth in a fun environment?**

The *Social Support Research Program* at the University of Alberta with *Anaphylaxis Canada* and the *Asthma Society of Canada* would like to find out how we can help children and youth manage asthma/severe allergies/anaphylaxis.

We will delivering an online support programs for: children (7-11) and youth (12-15) with asthma or severe allergies (anaphylaxis). The support program includes 8 sessions over 8 weeks over the Internet on a secure, monitored meeting/webinar website. Each group of 6 will be facilitated by a Peer Mentor (16-22) who has asthma or severe allergies in partnership with a Health Care Professional.

All participants will get a token of our thanks in the form of gift certificates for each portion of the study you complete.

**Would you like to enroll your child/adolescent in our on-line support program?**

For more information or to participate, please contact:

Kim (Research Coordinator) at [kkara@ualberta.ca](mailto:kkara@ualberta.ca) , **1-780-492-8030**, or Toll Free at **1-877-492-8033**

## Summer Activities

We have received notices and flyers from community groups and organizations offering programs for kids during the summer. Please be sure to check the bulletin board and table in the front hallway of the school for these and other items.

### 2012 SUMMER CAMPS WITH DELTA SCHOOL DISTRICT!

'*Strive ~ Express ~ Achieve*' with Delta Continuing Education's "**YOUTH ACTIVITY PROGRAMS**" again offering a wide variety of Summer 2012 programs for the children and youth of our communities. Activities, directed by teachers and other professional people, will focus in the areas of Fine and Performing Arts, Sports and Active Living, Technology, Academic Enrichment, French, Outdoor Pursuits and Personal Development. There will be many **new programs** available for students aged 6 – 15 in each of the communities of Ladner, Tsawwassen and North Delta. Brochures were delivered in your local newspapers May 10, 11 as well as available at the front office of each school. Early registration is strongly recommended as courses do fill up quickly. Be sure to bookmark: **ConnectandLearn.deltasd.bc.ca** for on-line information and registration options or phone 604-940-5550.

### The Delta Sungod Swim Club

The Delta Sungod Swim Club is now in its summer session and would like to invite you to participate in our Summer Camps for 2012. The camps will run weekly, Monday to Friday, from 9am-3pm with swimming in the morning and outdoor activities in the afternoon (running/biking/games like soccer & ultimate frisbee). If your child is comfortable in deep water and can swim two laps of the pool they are welcome to join our programming and experience swimming in a team environment. For more information please look at [www.teamsungod.ca](http://www.teamsungod.ca)

### Soccer Camps

#### Brad Higgs Soccer School

Offering a variety of programs for all levels of play including individual skill enhancement designed for boys and girls from beginner to experienced, goal keeping clinics, a high achievers program and team development. Please check their website – [www.bradhiggs.com](http://www.bradhiggs.com) – for details and registration information or call 604-939-1114.



#### Royal Soccer Club

Offering morning, afternoon or all day sessions. Camps are 1 week long. Please check their website at – [www.royalsoccer.com](http://www.royalsoccer.com) – for details and registration information or call 1-800-427-0536.

#### Roman Tulis European Soccer School

Offering morning sessions for all levels of play, for boys and girls, ages 6-13. Please check their website at - [www.romantulis.com](http://www.romantulis.com) – for details and registration information or call 604-937-0500.

### Art Camps

#### Imagine That – Summer Arts Camp

A quality Arts program for kids ages 3-13 with an opportunity to be mentored by artists active in their fields. Offering Animation, Creative Writing, Culinary Arts, Dance, Drama, Music, Painting, Story Illustration. For more information, check their website at [imaginethatartscentre.com](http://imaginethatartscentre.com)

Or call 604-946-7410 or email [imaginethatarts@gmail.com](mailto:imaginethatarts@gmail.com)



## Riding Camp

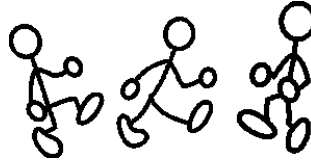
### Imperial Stables Summer Camps

This is a new program offering full day and half-day camps for children ages 7 to 13. The main focus in the camps will be riding and learning good horsemanship. The program includes a riding lesson each day, crafts and games, learning about horses and safety around the farm. For more information, check their website at [www.ImperialStables.com](http://www.ImperialStables.com)  
Or call 604-952-0911 or email [ImperialStables@gmail.com](mailto:ImperialStables@gmail.com)



*This Summer join us in our 7th Annual*

## Jabber-Wacky Summer Camp 2012



5 Days of Creative Thinking Fun For Creative Children currently in Grades 3-7

July 3-6 (4 days) Port Moody  
July 9-13 (5 days) Maple Ridge  
July 16-20 (5 days) Chilliwack  
July 23-27 (5 days) North Vancouver  
July 30-Aug 3 (5 days) Burnaby  
Aug 7- 10 (4 days) TBA  
Aug 13-17 (5 days) Ladner  
Aug 20-24 (5 days) TBA

Day 1: "Who are you? Who are we?" Team Spontaneous problems and games  
Day 2: "Zoom Wizards" Build a small vehicle powered by balloons or rubber bands  
Day 3: "Balsa Building Challenge" Practice building towers and bridges  
Day 4: "PI" Design and Build Prototype Machines and Inventions  
Day 5: "Strut Your Style" Write, direct, act, and make everything for your own play

The cost is \$195 for 5 day and \$156 for 4 day camps. All camps are 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Registration is on-line. Go to [www.odysseybc.ca](http://www.odysseybc.ca) Click on [Summer Camp Registration Form](#)

Or type in <https://secure.blueoctane.net/forms/TDK9HRSUCZO8>

These camps sell out – so register early!

**Register before June 15th and receive a free camp t-shirt.**

For more information or questions email the camp coordinator, Roberta Beck at [cpss.ca@gmail.com](mailto:cpss.ca@gmail.com)

This camp is sponsored by the Creative Problem Solving Society, a non-profit society and registered charity.

