

**PORT
GUICHON**

Elementary School

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like to take an opportunity to officially say goodbye to Mrs. Dussault who has moved to Alberta to be closer to her family. The resource room and the staff and students here at Port Guichon will miss her greatly. We hope to find a new teacher for the resource room as soon as possible.

We are also excited to say that our Spirit Wear order has just arrived and we are hoping to deliver orders to students as soon as possible. We would like to thank you for supporting our fundraiser and our efforts to save up for future enhancements in technology.

April 2 is Autism Awareness day and the campaign officially known as "Light it up blue". As autism affects 1 in 68 individuals, we are planning on holding events at our school on April 4. Light it up Blue Day is still in the planning process but we look forward to raising awareness about those living with autism.

The school sincerely hopes that our families enjoy some quality time with one another during spring break. Our students have been working hard and deserve a break.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact the school if we can help in any way.

Sincerely,
Mark Douangchanh
Principal

THANK YOU!



Thank you to all our volunteers, students and family book purchasers supporting our library's Scholastic Book Fair. Our school library will benefit with over \$800 in new books.

Many parents and students volunteered their time at the Book Fair and we thank for them for their time and efforts. This is a great contribution to our school and specifically our library.

A very special thank you to Alax Painter, Book Fair Coordinator and to Mrs. Grannary our Teacher-Librarian for spearheading this significant fundraiser.

BASKETBALL



Our Grade 6 and 7 Basketball program is coming to a close this month. Thank you to Ms. Blachford, Mr. Douangchanh, Mr. Cheralley, and former student (Reece Ferreira) for coaching and supervising our teams. Our players have represented the school very well. Thank you to parent drivers who have been transporting players to and from the games.

TRACK AND FIELD

Track and Field will start right after spring break. We are looking for parent volunteers to help coach. Please contact Mr. Douangchanh if you are able to help.





WE TEAM BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER

The WE team will be holding a bake sale on Tuesday, April 5th (after spring break) to fundraise for a global initiative through ME to WE. We would like to ask for donations of baked items which should be nut-free and individually wrapped. Please bring your donations to the Orca pod on the morning of April 5th. All items will be \$1.00. We appreciate all your support! Thank you.

READY, SET, LEARN

Ready, Set, Learn is for preschool children ages 3 to 4 years old and their parents. It is an event aimed at familiarizing future students with the school and with our Kindergarten teachers and community partners. It will be held at Port Guichon on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 1:15 to 2:00 pm. Please let us know if you and your preschoolers are able to attend by calling 604-946-0321.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Port Guichon is still accepting Kindergarten registrations for children who were born in the year 2011. Parents are asked to bring:

- The child's original birth certificate
- Parents' proof of Canadian Citizenship, landed immigrant status, refugee status or work permit
- Proof of Residence in the form of a Property Tax Bill or Rental Agreement
- Immunization records and BC Care Card Number

REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR

We continue to accept new registrations for the school year starting September 2016. If your child is already attending Port Guichon, you do not need to reapply.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Report Cards go Home Monday, March 7	Report Cards go home with the Students.
Div. 1&4 Skating Tuesday, March 8	1:30 Divisions 1 and 4 head to the Delta Leisure Centre to go ice skating.
Hoop Shoot Finals Tuesday, March 8	SDSS will host the Hoop Shot Finals. Thank you to Mr. Jang for all his help.
Leprechaun Leap Wednesday, March 9	11:40 am our school to participate in the Bunny Hop Run – parents are welcome to join us!
Div. 5 – Delta Gymnastics Thursday, March 10	9:30 – Students from Division 5 to go on a field trip to the Delta Gymnastics Club.
PAC Hot Lunch Friday, March 11	Thank you PAC and volunteer parents for organizing this special lunch.
Spring Break! March 14 – March 24	Enjoy the Spring Break and have a Happy St. Patrick's Day! 
Good Friday and Easter Monday March 25 & March 28	 Happy Easter. School closed for Good Friday and Easter Monday
School Re-opens Tuesday, March 29	Welcome back!
WE Team Bake Sale Tuesday, April 5	Collecting donated peanut free baked goods in the morning. Bake Sale - all items are \$1.00. Thank you.
Bunny Hop Wednesday, April 6	11:40 am our school to participate in the Bunny Hop Run – parents are welcome to join us!