

PORT GUICHON Elementary School

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NEWSLETTER

No. 3 – November 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are well in to the exciting learning of Term 1. Teachers are exploring the redesigned Curriculum, with the integration of Critical Thinking, Collaboration and Communication intertwined. You will notice on the Communicating of Student Learning (CSL) – formerly referred to as Report Cards, that the curriculum has new headings – but all the learning you are used to seeing remain in place. For Language Arts, the title is now Literacy and for Mathematics – Numeracy. The interesting re-design is that Socials and Science are now integrated in to Investigate and Explore, and Health and Well-Being replace PE, HACE and is the place where you will find out about your child's work habits. Art and Music, with the additions of Applied Design and Technology are now called Design and Create. At the Intermediate level, letter grades are being replaced with the performance language that Primary students have used, Excellent, Fully Meeting, Meeting and Approaching.

There is a parent FORUM specifically for Port Guichon families at 7:00 Monday November 7th, with more information, and there is a link to the Ministry of Education, as we are all hoping for parent feedback on this transitional year.

Here is the excerpt and link from the Ministry of Education:

School Districts across BC are going through change in a variety of areas as part of the BC Ministry of Education's 'Learning Transformation Project'. Additional information for parents about this project can be found at: <http://engage.gov.bc.ca/yourkidsprogress/>.

Sincerely,

Joanne Keller
Principal



REMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

Our Remembrance Day Assembly will be held on Thursday, November 10th at 10:45. Please remember to send a donation with your child to school to go towards a poppy. All proceeds go towards the Ladner Legion.

VOLLEYBALL SEASON



Our Grade 6 and 7 students have started the volleyball season playing on a joint Grade 6/7 team and participating with the other schools in Ladner on Tuesdays and Thursdays afterschool. Spectators are welcome to attend and cheer on our teams.

Thanks to those parents who are able to drive for our away games and to our Coach Mr. Jang.

There will be a final tournament held at Delta Secondary School on Tuesday, November 22nd.



WET WEATHER MORNING PROCEDURES

As we move into the wetter, colder months, we want to remind you of the procedure for morning arrival. Students should come dressed appropriately for weather. Inside days will only occur during heavy rain and weather. Students may be asked to go outside during recess and lunch during light rain and should have the appropriate clothing for that day.

On rainy days all students should report to the undercover area. Students should report to the undercover area from the outside and avoid coming in through the front door. Our teachers are busy preparing for the day and need uninterrupted time to get ready for their classes. If there is significant rain, the double bell will ring at 8:30. Mrs. Keller will then bring all the students into the Library to wait until the bell rings at 8:40 am and students can go to their classrooms.

CLOTHING AT SCHOOL

As we proceed into the cold and wet months, it is important that children dress appropriately for the weather, even if they are being driven to and from school. Please remind your child about the importance of bundling up during recess and lunch, as they are sometimes too eager to rush out and play. Also, if possible, please label clothing items for your child.

For some children, it would be helpful if they had a change of clothes at school (particularly pants, socks and shoes). These items could be used during P.E. classes, as well as when children accidentally get wet during recess or lunch. This prevents the office from having to call parents, asking them to bring a change of clothing.

MUNCHA LUNCH

Thank you to Denise Hardy and Barbara Auwens for coordinating the PAC's Muncha Hot Lunch Program, and to all the parents who helped out with our first Hot Lunch of the school year. Our next Hot Lunch will be Friday, November 18, 2016. All orders must be placed before Friday, November 11, 2016. For those parents that haven't filled in their orders yet, please see the information below to help you with ordering. Paper order forms are available at the office upon request, with payment due **via cheque to Port Guichon PAC.**

Online orders can be placed by visiting the following link: <http://pg.deltasd.bc.ca/>

Once the link is open click on the PAC tab, once it's open click on the green **MUNCH A LUNCH** icon at the bottom of the page. Last year's students can click on the **LOG IN HERE** button and proceed with updating their child(rens) information and placing their orders. All students new to Port Guichon Elementary click on the **REGISTER HERE** button and input your information.

Any questions regarding the hot lunch program can be sent to us at: pghotlunch@gmail.com

Thank you for continuing to support Port Guichon PAC.

PAC PURDY'S FUNDRAISER

Port Guichon Elementary PAC is fundraising with Purdy's Chocolatier, just in time for Christmas!

If you would like to support us through purchasing some very sweet Christmas gifts for friends, family and yourself, you can register to shop at this link:

<https://www.purdysgpp.com/join/20830>

After you've logged in or registered for an account, you can use the Shop Online tab to buy some amazing chocolates or invite other members to join and support our fundraiser.

ORDERS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 25. Pick up orders at the school will be on Tuesday, December 6th.


UPCOMING EVENTS

WE DAY Thursday, November 3	Our We Team group of student leaders from Port Guichon will be attending the We Day Event at Rogers Arena in Vancouver.
PAC Meeting Monday, November 7	7:00 pm – All parents/guardians are invited to join us at the school for this meeting.
Volleyball Game Tuesday, November 8	3:15 pm - Grade 6/7 Volleyball Home Game against Ladner Elementary
Remembrance Day Assembly Thursday, November 10	10:45 is the time of our Remembrance Day Assembly. Parents are welcome to attend.
Volleyball Game Thursday, November 10	3:15 pm - Grade 6/7 Volleyball Away Game against Sacred Heart
Remembrance Day Friday, November 11	School closed from Remembrance Day
Volleyball Game Tuesday, November 15	3:15 pm - Grade 6/7 Volleyball Home Game against Neilson Grove
Div. 4 to Flyover Canada Wednesday, November 16	9:00 Students from Division 4 will be attending Flyover Canada in Vancouver Port Metro.
Peace March Wednesday, November 16	11:40 am our school to participate in the Peace March (run) – parents are welcome to join us!
FALL MARKET Wednesday, November 16	5:00 pm to 9:00 pm – Come support Port Guichon by attending the PAC Run Fall Market. Many tables of crafts and products for sale.
Div. 3 to Science World Thursday, November 17	8:50 am – students from Division 3 will be attending Science World for the day.
Volleyball Game Thursday, November 17	3:15 pm - Grade 6/7 Volleyball Home Game against Hawthorne
Hot Lunch Friday, November 18	Thank you PAC and volunteer parents for organizing this special lunch.
Volleyball Tournament Tuesday, November 22	3:15 pm – 5:30 pm - Grade 6/7 Volleyball Tournament at Delta Secondary
Div. 3 & 7 to Attend Elf Thursday, November 24	9:00 am – Divisions 3 and 7 will attend the performance “Elf” held at the Metro Theatre.
PAC Purdy Fundraiser Friday, November 25	Purdy Orders due
Professional Day Monday, December 5	District Wide Professional Day – Students do not attend school
Purdy’s Pick Up Tuesday, December 6	Purdy Orders available for pick up at the school.

TUTORING

in Reading or Math

Affordable | One to One | Personalized



October 3 to December 15

Mondays & Wednesdays




After-school • one hour sessions

LADNER LOCATION:

Delta Manor Education Centre
4750—57 Street

- For any child aged 7 to 14 who is behind in reading, spelling, comprehension, writing or math
- Free initial assessment identifies learning challenges
- Individual lesson plans & goals
- Daily written feedback and final report
- Caring and empathic tutors trained and supervised by an experienced teacher
- Affordable, lower fees; Some subsidies available
- LDAFS is a Registered Charity; We are here to help!

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October 25, 2016

Uy skweyul, Tansi, Oki, Aniin, Hau, Hello Parents/Guardians,

We want to share with you some of the changes to our Indigenous Education Department and also invite you to our Community Gatherings. Our goal is to build learning environments and relationships that will lead to success for all our kids.

This year we are building our team to include a variety of new roles:

Indigenous Success Coordinators (Elementary and Secondary) – Support students’ academic success and assist teachers in incorporating Aboriginal perspectives into the new curriculum.

Child and Youth Care Workers – Provide social and emotional support for students and connect with families. **Indigenous Cultural Enhancement Facilitators** – Bring cultural experiences to the classrooms for all learners.

Primary Literacy Coordinator (Indigenous) – Ensure early literacy success for students.

We would love to meet you at one of our upcoming Community Gatherings. Supper will be provided and children are welcome. For your convenience we are offering two dates and locations:

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North End: November 23, 2016

Location: East Delta Hall: 5:00-8:00 pm

South End: November 30, 2016

Tsawwassen First Nation Community Hall: 5:00–8:00 pm

Please reply to Lori Hall at 504-952-5323 or email: lhall@deltasd.bc.ca

These gatherings will provide an opportunity for us to share more details with you about the department changes as well as our District’s Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement (AEEA). We will also be inviting you to future gatherings to contribute your ideas for the creation of our new AEEA.

We value your involvement in shaping the development of our collective vision and we look forward to meeting you soon!

Kind regards,

Diane Jubinville,
District VP, Indigenous Education