



Communication from False Creek School and PAC to Parents, Students, and Staff

Important Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, October 13

- Goal Setting Conferences
- Early dismissal for all students at 2:00 pm

Thursday, October 14

- Goal Setting Conferences
- Early dismissal for all students at 2:00 pm

Wednesday, October 20

- Big One at Two Earthquake Drill / **Reunification Drill** for students, 2:00
- Parent Participation by special invite, only, this year

Friday, October 22

- Professional Development Day
- No school for students

Friday, October 29

- Students may wear a Halloween costume to school in the AM



Goal Setting Conferences: Wed., Oct. 13 and Thur., Oct. 14

Wednesday, October 13th and Thursday, October 14th are the dates for our Goal Setting Conferences. The Goal Setting Conference is a time for parents, teachers and students to discuss goals and strategies to help each child achieve in their own way.

confirmations for the times booked for parents to meet, either online or over the phone.

School will be dismissed at 2:00 pm for all students on both days.

Teachers have sent home



Halloween



As Halloween approaches, many students will partake in many fun-filled class and out of school activities.

Within school, students may wear their Halloween Costumes on the morning of Friday, October 29. Celebrations will be at the discretion of the individual classroom teachers and will be limited to individual classes.

Due to Covid-19, students will not be bringing or sharing food at school.

BC Centre for Disease Control, recommends that we need to “Celebrate less socially and trick-or-treat locally this Halloween!” See link for further details:

<http://www.bccdc.ca/about/news-stories/stories/2020/treat-yo-self-to-a-safe-halloween>



Code of Conduct 2021-2022



False Creek has a set of guidelines for conduct and expectations that make up the three False Creek Care Statements: Be Safe, Be Fair, Be Kind. These guidelines reflect the school's philosophy of a safe and caring place where everyone tries their best, treats others kindly, and respects the

environment. Please discuss this document with your child in order that your child understands that we aim to live up to the Code of Conduct at school and when participating at school events. See attached document.



Toonies For Terry !!!

False Creek Elementary School is pleased to report that together we have raised over \$855.00 in the annual National School Day Terry Fox Run, which took place on October 1, 2021.

All money raised through this event will be forwarded to the Terry Fox Foundation to further the cause of

cancer research. Thank you to everyone who participated in the run and all those who donated!



QR code for the student Health Check app & Communicable Disease Prevention Plan

Parents are encouraged to use the QR code for the student health check.



Additionally, as required by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health, the District has developed a Communicable Disease

Prevention Plan. The plan has preventative measures into place to create a safe environment for staff and students. For more information, read [Vancouver School District's Communicable Disease Prevention Plan](#)

Fun Family Activity: City of Vancouver Adopt-A-Block

Dear Families,

Around the city and your neighbourhood, there have been increased challenges with litter attributed to the pandemic. The volume of PPE being discarded only adds to an ongoing problem of litter in our neighbourhoods. The City's Adopt-A-Block Program provides families a chance to give back to their community while participating in a fun and COVID-19-safe activity.

As the poster shows (see attached flyer), it's easy for families to sign up. Participants simply register on our website: vancouver.ca/adopt-a-block and we will provide the necessary cleanup supplies to get them started.

Thank you and we appreciate your time and help.

Best regards,

Sandra Davidon, Volunteer Coordinator | Solid Waste Programs

Engineering Services Department | City of Vancouver

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[Neighbourhood Cleanup Party Program | Adopt-A-Block](#)



False Creek Elementary

Code of Conduct

- * **Be Safe**
- * **Be Fair**
- * **Be Kind**

False Creek has a set of guidelines for conduct and expectations that make up the three False Creek Cares Statements: **Be Safe, Be Fair, Be Kind**. These guidelines reflect the school's philosophy of a safe and caring place, where everyone tries their best, treats others kindly, and respects the environment.

These expectations apply to behaviour at school, during school-organized or sponsored activities, and behaviour beyond these times (including on-line behaviour) that negatively impacts the safe, caring or orderly environment of the school, and/or student learning. The list of behaviours cited are examples only and not an all-inclusive list.

Please discuss this document with your child in order that your child understands that we aim to live up to the Code of Conduct at school and when participating at school events.

Revised October 12, 2021

Consequences for Making Unwise Decisions

The principal, teachers, and support staff of False Creek have agreed upon the following process to address a student whose behaviour is not yet meeting expectations:

- 1) For behaviours that are minor, a staff person will:
 - Speak directly to the student
 - Ask to identify the inappropriate behaviour/unwise decision or choice
 - Think about what would have been a better decision and behaviour

A restorative consequence may be applied to encourage positive behaviour and mend relationships.

- 2) For behaviours that are more serious or are a repeat of minor violations, a longer time out, community service, or a written apology may be needed.

- 3) For very serious behaviours, logical consequences will be used that might include a meeting with the principal, parents, or on in school suspension (child does their work in the office for a specified length of time).

- 4) When a student has been willfully disobedient or disrespectful to any staff member or Board employee, has caused others to feel unsafe (bullying, fighting, racism), vandalizes the school, student or staff property, or breaches the school's or board's Code of Conduct, the principal has the authority to suspend the student from attendance at school for up to five days in accordance with the School Act, Sec. 05(2)(iii) and (d).

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Director of Instruction as per District Policy (<http://www.vsb.bc.ca/district-policy/jgd-r-district-student-code-conduct-regulation>)

As circumstances warrant, any or all of the following may be notified:

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| ~ Principal | • Staff |
| ~ Counsellor | • District Staff |
| ~ Parents/Guardians | • Community |
| ~ Other schools | • Police (Youth Services Division) |
| ~ 911 | • Ministerial Agencies |

Additional Information

There is a rising expectation that as students develop with age, they will show increasing maturity, self-responsibility, decision-making ability, and leadership.

Special considerations may apply to students with special needs students having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional or behavioural nature.

False Creek promotes the values expressed in the **BC Human Rights Code** respecting the rights of all individuals in accordance with the law – prohibiting discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex or sexual orientation – in respect of discriminatory publication and discrimination in accommodation, service and facility in the school environment.

False Creek will treat seriously behaviour or communication that discriminates based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex or sexual orientation (prohibited grounds set out in the BC Human Rights Code). As such, racism will not be tolerated in our school.

The school will take all reasonable steps to prevent retaliation against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of our Code of Conduct.

Who You Can Call

- > Your child's teacher
- Principal
- Area Counsellor
- Aboriginal Enhancement Worker

604-713-4959



False Creek Elementary Code of Conduct



Be Safe

Acceptable Conduct

- Leave valuables at home
- Treat all school equipment and materials with care
- Leave harmful objects at home such as toy weapons, matches, or firecrackers
- Stay on school grounds unless I have parents' permission
- Stay in supervised areas only
- Walk inside the school, keeping to the right side
- Be careful of who you communicate with and what you post online
- Tell an adult if you or someone you know may be unsafe or feel unsafe



Unacceptable Conduct

- Push, hit, kick, fight, and play fight
- Litter or create a mess, not cleaning up
- Vandalize, damage, or take school or personal property
- Slide, climb, jump dangerously
- Run inside

Be Fair

Acceptable Conduct

- Take turns and say "please", "thank you" and "excuse me"
- Stand up for your rights
- Use an "inside voice"
- Follow school and classroom rules
- Ask for permission before touching the property of other students and staff
- Minimize waste and use appropriate recycling and trash bins
- Use personal electronic devices with the permission of staff



Unacceptable Conduct

- Exclude others
- Disrupt the learning of others
- Waste resources or taking more than is needed
- Discriminate against someone based on race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation

Be Kind

Acceptable Conduct

- Use good manners; speak politely
- Respect personal space
- Use words to solve problems
- Do not bully others
- Respect school supplies and school equipment
- Keep the school grounds and buildings clean
- Care for yourself and others



Unacceptable Conduct

- Use hurtful words, rude body language, and backtalk
- Swear, cheat, and lie
- Make racist comments
- Put down or tease others
- Harm others
- Encourage or pressure others to break school rules
- Spread gossip or rumours



ADOPT YOUR BLOCK

Show your love for your community by volunteering to keep it litter free. We provide all the supplies and equipment; you provide the enthusiasm!

Spring is a great time for you and your family to get outdoors. Adopting your block will keep your neighbourhood clean and safe.

Sign up today to adopt your block at
vancouver.ca/adoptablock

