



Newsletter

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Admin Message

We have had an incredible past month at Hudson. We would like to welcome Ms. Jelena Stefanovic as our new permanent Office Administration Assistant. The students have been fascinated by the changes to the field area and enjoy seeing what new pieces of equipment arrive on site. Our site supervisors have been very patient in explaining what they are working onto our students when they are outside.

Construction Update

Please be aware of the following parking/lane changes and sidewalk closures. The parking lane on the east and west side of Maple St. will be closed (Monday-Friday 7:30am-5:00pm) to accommodate large trucks turning off Cornwall Ave. onto Maple St. and the offloading of materials/supplies. On the east side of Maple St., the sidewalk will remain open, with temporary closures while machines unload trucks.

November 2022						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	31 Halloween	1	2 Photo Retake Day at 1pm	3	4 Spirit Day Assembly <i>*Don't forget to wear red</i>	5
6 Daylight Savings <i>*Turn your clocks back an hour</i>	7	8 Indigenous Veterans Day	9	10 Remembrance Day Assembly	11 Remembrance Day Students not in attendance	12
13	14	15 VCH Hearing Screening at 9am (K-2)	16	17 PAC Meeting 6:30pm in library	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Professional Development Day Students not in attendance	26
27	28	29	30			

Safe Arrivals

We will continue to use the district Safe Arrival line to report student absences. This is effective immediately. Please **call (604) 713-5159** and enter school code **37** for Safe Arrival (there is a prompt). You will then leave a message for the office. It is vital that all absences are called into the school prior to 9am. If you prefer to send an email, please use hudattendance@vsb.bc.ca When leaving a message or sending an email, please include your child's full name (first and last), their division, as well as how long the child will be absent.

Halloween

Some classes will engage in Halloween activities throughout the day on Monday. Students may wear costumes on Monday (Oct. 31) if they wish. We will be doing a costume parade outside (weather permitting) or through the halls on that day. Please know that replica weapons are not to be brought to school, and costumes must be in line with our school Code of Conduct. Costumes that promote any form of discrimination or are culturally insensitive are not appropriate. Here is a great site from UBC on having an inclusive Halloween experience:

<https://equity.ubc.ca/resources/inclusive-halloween/>

Photo Retake Day

Photo retake day will be on **Wednesday, November 2 at 1pm** for any students who missed photo day in October or who would like a retake.

Hudson Spirit Days

Spirit Day takes place the first Friday of each month. Staff and students are encouraged to wear their Hudson Hawks spirit wear or **red** clothing.

Dressing for the Weather

At Hudson, students are outside for **ALL** recesses. It is important that students dress for the weather. This includes having jackets, water-proof gear, and boots when it rains, and sun protection for sunny days. Please try to send your child with their weather appropriate gear when they come to school to avoid calling the office to arrange for delivery to your child throughout the day. Some teachers will ask students to have two pairs of shoes at school.

Vancouver Poppy Fund



This year, our poppy fund donations will be collected via School Cash Online (just like school fees). School Cash Online is open for donations and families can choose from the options for the donation amount they would like to donate. A cheque will be sent to the Vancouver Poppy Fund on behalf of Hudson Elementary. Thank you in advance for your donations. Each child will receive a poppy on November 10th for our Remembrance Day Ceremony.

Kindergarten Registration

Priority kindergarten registration at the Vancouver School District will run from November 1, 2022, to January 31, 2023. This year, children born in **2018** are eligible for kindergarten registration and begin going to school starting September 2022. Kindergarten applications received at any point within the priority enrolment time frame will be part of the priority enrolment period.



Applying for kindergarten is a 2-step process:

Step 1: Completion of an [online](https://govsb.ca/kindergarten) application form at govsb.ca/kindergarten

Step 2: Verifying documentation

- Miss Jelena will contact you to set up an appointment to bring in your supporting documentation
- Bring supporting documentation to your English catchment school office during your scheduled appointment

Supporting documents needed:

1. Proof of residence in Vancouver
2. Child's birth certificate
3. Immigration documentation (if applicable)
4. Immunization records
5. Court orders/documents (if applicable)

Families who are interested in registering their children in a District choice program must still register their child at their catchment school. Registering for a choice program is a separate process and runs from January 9, 2023, to February 3, 2023. More information can be found on the District website, under [kindergarten choice registration](#).

Families who wish to apply to a school outside of their catchment area (known as cross-boundary) will also need to register their child at their neighbourhood catchment school first. Registering for cross-boundary is a separate process and runs from February 1-28, 2022. Cross boundary applications will only be considered after all in-catchment students have been accommodated. More information can be found on the District website, under [cross boundary registration](#).

By mid-February 2022, families that applied for District choice programs and identified full schools will be notified of their child's enrolment status.

By the end of April 2023, all families with children registered for kindergarten will know which school they are attending come September 2023. All students will be offered a placement in a Vancouver school.

TIMELINE

- NOV 1-JAN 31**
PRIORITY KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
 Children born in 2018 are eligible to register
- JAN 9-FEB 3**
DISTRICT CHOICE PROGRAM REGISTRATION
 Optional programs offered by the District. Includes: French Immersion, Mandarin Bilingual, Fine Arts, Indigenous Focus and Montessori
- FEB 1-FEB 28**
CROSS-BOUNDARY REGISTRATION
 For families who wish to attend a school outside of their catchment area
- MID FEBRUARY**
WAITLIST NOTIFICATION
 Only families registered in identified full schools and District choice programs will be notified
- LATE APRIL**
KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT CONFIRMED

Scholastic Book Fair Update

Thank you to the Hudson community for helping to make our Scholastic Book Fair a huge success! With everyone's generous support, we raised over \$3000 which goes directly back to the school. Ms. Wilson spent \$1000 on books for the library. She chose books that were suggested by students, parents and teachers. The remaining \$2000 will be split between the primary and intermediate teachers for purchasing books and resources. Thanks again to everyone!


PAC Update

The next Parent Advisory Council meeting will be on Thursday, November 17th at 6:30pm in the library. All Hudson parents/guardians are welcome! Please check the PAC website for more information on updates. hudsonpac.ca

PAC Spirit Wear Sale

The PAC will have a tent and table set-up near the main playground to sell Spirit Wear and distribute flyers with purchase information at the school on **Friday, October 28th from 2:45pm-3:30pm.**

PAC Direct Donation Campaign

Each year the PAC raises money to enhance our children's educational experience beyond what is made possible by public funding. By doing a direct appeal, the PAC does not take up your time and energy with product fundraisers (no chocolate or plant sales, Entertainment Books, etc.). This year the goal for the PAC direct donation campaign is \$6500. Families can go to our Hudson website <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/henry-hudson/Pages/default.aspx> and click on the  **Donate Now** button at the top of the page. The campaign will kick off on October 28 and wrap-up on November 25. There will be a thermometer put up outside the school with a QR code to link to the donation site as well. The donation thermometer will be updated every Friday by the PAC.

PAC Hot Lunch Program

Hot Lunch is one of the PAC's primary Fundraisers. It is a source of funding for all the wonderful programs, initiatives, and events with which we can enhance our children's school experience. Hot Lunch takes place on Tuesdays and Fridays. Ordering cut-off is 6pm the evening before. There is a selection of lunches to choose from at \$7.50 each. *Students will need to bring their own utensils.*

Ordering

1. Visit <https://www.cestmoncafe.com/>
2. Select the blue Order button
3. Scroll down the list of schools and select **Hudson**
4. To view the menu options, select the Menu on the row of the current Ordering Period
5. Scroll down to view the selections for each day
6. To place your order, select the Order Form on the row of the current Ordering Period
7. Complete the Order Form – 1 per child
8. After submitting the order form, please send an Interac e-Transfer payment to cestmoncafe@gmail.com ASAP to complete the order process

Payments

Please note that they have a NEW payment approach this year. Payments are made directly to C'est Mon Cafe via e-Transfer. **After submitting an order form, please send an Interac e-Transfer payment**

to cestmoncafe@gmail.com ASAP to complete the order process. They will no longer send out any money request emails or meal reminders to parents.

Sponsorships

If at any time there is a financial challenge, please contact the school Principal, (srondestvedt@vsb.bc.ca) directly. All requests will be treated confidentially.