



Beaconsfield Banter

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Principal's Message

With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the x̱m̱əθḵʷəy̱əm (Musqueam), Sḵwxw̱ú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) & səliwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation).

We begin May with our yearly Big One at Two earthquake drill on Thursday, May 2. This event also serves as an excellent chance for families to revisit their **emergency preparedness plan**. I encourage you to take a moment and carefully review the [VSB Reunification Plan brochure](#). Please read it carefully and understand the process for picking up your child in the event of a major earthquake or disaster. Remember that for student safety, only **authorized individuals** are permitted to pick up students. More general Emergency preparedness information can be found [here](#).



Welcome to Kindergarten

On Wednesday, May 15, from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, Beaconsfield Elementary will host a Welcome to Kindergarten event in our school gym. Access is from the front of the building directly into the gym. Stations will be set up for our new kindergarteners and their parents, registered to attend Beaconsfield in September 2024. This is an opportunity to meet staff and community representatives. Please RSVP by calling the office at 604-713-4605 if you have not let us know already by email.

Artist in Residence Program Showcase

On Wednesday, May 29 our students will be displaying their artwork at Beaconsfield Park from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. Please come and join us to celebrate your child's artwork! See the attachment below for more information regarding this event. On May 14, from 4:30 to 7:00 pm our student artwork will be available for viewing along with 15 other schools at the Vancouver School Board office on West Broadway, from 4:30 to 7:30. See attached flyer for more information.



Tap Dance

Our tap dance group had their final performance at Gladstone Secondary on April 25. Our students had a great experience and were very excited to perform on a stage in front of a large audience. A special thanks to Ms. Neibel for volunteering her time with this group. She will be hosting a pizza party with our dance team, after school on May 14. Ms. Neibel will be sending home a notice soon with more information.



Summer Learning Program Registration

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5211/summer-learning>

- Registration for Elementary Programs is now open
- Current Kindergarten to Grade 11 students who are attending a BC school are eligible to register.
- All courses require in-person attendance.

** If you have any questions, please email the Summer Learning office at: summerlearning@vsb.bc.ca. **

PAC News

Our last PAC meeting was held on Tuesday, April 9, at 6:30 pm. The minutes from this meeting are posted on the PAC tab of the school website. The next meeting is on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:30 pm in our staff room. Childcare will be available. All parents are welcome to attend. If you would like to contact our PAC or volunteer, please email beaconsfieldschool@gmail.com. Please see the attached document called PAC NEWS for more information regarding our upcoming meeting and spring fair.

Sports Day

We will be having sports day this year on May 17. Staff are currently working on a plan and will communicate more information as it becomes available.

Are You Moving?

If your family will not be returning to Beaconsfield this September, please let us know as soon as possible by emailing our office assistant at tbell@vsb.bc.ca. Please include the school that your child/children will be attending. This will help us with organizing next year's classrooms.

Recycling / Fundraiser

Ms. Billingsley and Ms. Ward are teaming up to teach our students about recycling. During the month of May, they are asking our students to bring your flexible plastics from home to our school for recycling. Our school will collect \$2 every Kilogram brought in. There will be a special station located in the intermediate lunchroom on the bottom floor of our school for you to drop off your plastics. The following items will be accepted for collection: potato chip bags, sandwich bags, Saran wrap, reusable plastic bags, bubble wrap, thin plastic bags, crinkly plastic bags and plastic net bags. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Important Upcoming Dates in May and June

Thur. May 2	District Wide Earthquake Drill
Mon. May 13	Class Photos
Tues. May 14	PAC meeting @ 6:30pm in the staff room
Fri. May 17	Sports Day
Wed. May 15	Welcome to K (next year's students visit)
Mon. May 20	Victoria Day (school closed)
Mon. June 4	All library books returned
Tues. June 11	PAC meeting @ 6:30pm in the staff room
Fri. June 7	PAC Fair / BBQ
Thurs. June 27	Last Day for Students

Please check our website Beaconsfield.vsb.bc.ca for the regularly updated school calendar