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We live, work, play and learn on the traditional and unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

Dear Carr Families and Friends,

Now that the last day is upon us, I can't help but think how this year has flown by! We've certainly seen some changes in the world around us, including somewhat of a return to pre-covid normalcy. Thank goodness! As you all know, I am retiring now after almost 30 years with the VSB. Your new principal is Ms Maria Donovan. I will be sure to help her transition in my final few days here. As for me, I feel blessed to have had the last three years working here at Carr. I couldn't have asked for a more supportive and professional staff, from teachers to support staff, building custodians, supervision aides and of course the unflappable Ms Liz in the office! Together we have ensured that your children were treated kindly and fairly, and that they were given a learning environment that met their needs and more. I am also very grateful to this supportive community. I hope you have felt listened to and appreciated as well. We have been through quite a time together! Wishing you all a wonderful summer with your families and friends!

Erin Gibbs

Carr Principal

Grade 7 Year End Event



Friday, June 24 was the day of our Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony. This year we were thrilled to be able to have parents/guardians attend in person! And the tradition of heading down to eat lunch together at the Spaghetti Factory resumed! Congratulations to our Gr. 7s as they move on to high school and bright futures!

The last day of school for students



Wednesday, June 29th is the last day of school for students. This is a full day; school will be in session from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.

Communicating Student Learning (CSL) Year End written reports will go home on this day as well. If your family will be leaving school early, we will hold their report card to be picked up in September. We are not able to mail them or give them to anyone but the legal parent or guardian of the student.

Specific details regarding school opening and the first day of school will be coming

to you in late August.



2022 Notice of Late Return form (attached)

This form is to be completed for any student NOT expecting to return to school **Tuesday, September 6th, 2022** but prior to **Monday October 3rd, 2022**.

If you are returning as usual, there is no need to do anything.

The Vancouver Public Library Summer Reading Club is Back!



The VPL Summer Reading Club is a free reading incentive program designed to help kids stay excited about reading over the summer. It also invites them to explore other types of literacies and find ways to participate that best meet their needs. The program is running all summer at your local public library – this year's theme is All Together Now! Kids will have the opportunity to participate in fun library activities, programs, and contests over the summer, in person and via Zoom. To see what your closest branch has planned this summer, please visit VPL's Events Page (<https://www.vpl.ca/events>).

Children and their families will have access to many theme-related books in accessible formats, including audio and ebooks. Library staff can help with access to these materials. For general book recommendations, check out the VPL's Summer Reading Club themed booklists.

Registration is online (<https://bcsrc.ca/>) and children can also visit the library to receive a reading record and to collect their medal at the end of the summer! For resources and more information about the BC SRC, please visit the library's website (vpl.ca/kids) or the BC SRC Kids' website.



Thank you to PAC for all that you do for Carr. Staff appreciates your organization, thoughtfulness and generosity. The executive remains the same with one addition*: Chair - Roy Quinones, Vice Chair - Charlotte Wilkinson, Angela Waterlow as Secretary and Alex Cheng as Treasurer, *Mario Francispragasam as New Family Liaison.
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Good-byes...

To students moving on at the end of the school year, including our Grade 7s – we will miss you and we wish you the very best in your future endeavours.

Ms Jody Wallace –is moving on to grace another school with her many talents. Jody, you will be missed by staff, students and the community! Thank you for your time with us.

Ms Kiley Lundin – thank you so much for taking on the Learning Commons this winter. You are a powerhouse and definitely had an impact here!

Ms Charlotte Hussel – your unflagging energy working with Carr students was hugely appreciated. We wish you well at Crosstown Elementary!

Ms Karen Espina – you've been such an asset to Carr. Good luck next year!

Carr welcomes

Ms Maria Donovan as your new principal! Ms Donovan comes with a wealth of experience in teaching and administration with the VSB!

Ms Robyn Wharram to our teaching team. Ms Wharram will start in September as our new Teacher Librarian. Robyn will also do some resource and prep.

June Checklist for Parents:

1. Please return to school any textbooks, library books or materials you may have borrowed by June 29th.
2. If you are returning later than noon on **September 6, 2022** but prior to **September 30, 2022**, please complete and return the attached form.
3. CSL reports will come home with students on the last day of school, June 29th. Reports not picked up will be held until September. We cannot accommodate requests for electronic copies or mail out.
4. Please check the school website at the end of August for important new information. Please ensure that we have the correct email address for any electronic communications sent from school.

Important Dates:

June 29th: Last day for students

June 30th: Administrative Day

July 1st: Canada Day

Sept. 6th: First day of school

Message from Teacher Librarian Ms Lundin:

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE STUDENTS WHO HAVE RETURNED THEIR BOOKS ON TIME.

If you have fines to pay, please do so at schoolcashonline.com or

<https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/Home/SignIn>

On a personal note, I'd like to say "Goodbye and Thank You" to the Emily Carr community. I have enjoyed getting to know the students and working with the teachers during my short time in the library; we read many great books, shared some personal stories, and had a few dance parties along the way. Your new librarian will be taking over the library in September.

Have a great summer and keep reading!

Ms. Kiley

Have a wonderful summer!