Grandview/¿uuqinak'uuh Elementary School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Grandview Community:

Welcome back everyone! What an exciting start to our 2019-2020 school year. It has been so wonderful to see all of those smiling and returning faces, and so nice to welcome all of our new students and families to the Grandview Community.

Thank you to all of those that attended our Community Potluck and Meet with Teacher Night. The turnout was fantastic and helped us build on our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) goal of community building events. Please join us on the first Monday of every month for our PAC meetings. Dinner is served at 5:00 and the meeting begins at 5:30 in the Library. We look forward to offering more opportunities for families to get together in the future months.

It was also nice to see so many parents and caregivers out supporting our kids as they ran for 'Terry.' Thank you to Stephanie Hefti and Shane Ernst for organizing this event. So far we have reached \$400 of our \$500 fundraising goal for the Terry Fox Foundation. There is a rumor that if we reach \$500 I may have to sign in front of the assembly. Stay Tuned!!

You may have noticed that we have grown as a school and a staff. I want to take this time to introduce and welcome some of our new staff members:

Alexandra Caviglia will be here every Tuesday teaching P.E. and Prep for Divisions 1-5 Stephanie Hefti and Liam Patterson -Morris join us as our new Gr. 6 and 7 teachers.

Ted Dallas, Mark Gage, Yvette Mathiue, and Leah Van Meer-Mass have joined our fabulous support team. Tiare Laport has joined our team indigenous Education Worker. Please see her blurb in the News Letter that describes her role and what she can offer student and families.

Rísha Golby



CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

Thurs, Oct 3 - Grades K and 6 Immunization 8:30 - 12:30

Mon, Oct 7 - PAC Meeting 5-7 pm

Tues, Oct 8 - Individual Photo Dau @ 9 am

Mon, Oct 14 - Thanksgiving Day NO SCHOOL

Wed, Oct 16 - Term 1 Conference. Students dismissal @ 2pm

Thurs, Oct 17 – Term 1 Conference. Students dismissal @ 2pm; District Cross Country Mee @ 1pm - @ Trout Lake

Fri, Oct 25 – Pro-D Day NO SCHOOL for students

Fri, Nov 1 – Div 3 Arts Umbrella

Mon, Nov 4 - Photo Retakes @ 1pm

Assembly @ 2pm

PAC Meeting 5-7

Mon, Nov 11 - Remembrance Day NO SCHOOL

Mon-Thurs - Nov 25-28 Book Fair

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSISTANT

Happy October!

I hope everyone had a great first month back to school. As it's the month of Halloween, we will have our traditional costume parade at the end of the month. For the parents, we will begin our cooking program. We are changing the day to Wednesdays. We are starting Wednesday October 9th 3:45pm. We are making spaghetti sauce. If you are interested in joining us, please let me know.



I would like to give a big "Thanks" to Howard Ma and the Eyeglass Project, for their kindness to Grandview families in need of eye exams and glasses. We had a great clinic on Sunday September 30th at Britannia Family Activity room. Thank Britannia Community Center for the space.

Feel free to pop into my office anytime, I have moved back to the 1st floor room 128.

Donna Mah dmah@vsb.bc.ca

IMPORTANT NOTICES/REMINDERS:

- 1. Verification packages have been sent out to each student. Please complete and return these forms.
- 2. Please return lunch envelopes at your earliest convenience.
- 3. Please take note of emails from our school & notices sent with your child.

GRANDVIEW SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT

As a student at Grandview, I:

Take care of myself
Take care of others
Take care of this place

SAFE ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

Reporting Student Absences:

Student safety is of paramount importance at the Vancouver School District. Ensuring student safety is a shared responsibility. Please report prior to 9 am if your child will be late or absent to the following telephone & extension or by email only.

Please call 604-713-5159 school code # 33 or Email to: graattendance@vsb.bc.ca.

Please leave a message with the following information: Child's Full Name, Child's Division and/or Teacher's Name, indicate whether he/she will be absent or late, reason for absence and length of absence.

Please note: Students arriving at 10:45 and later are marked absent for the morning.

Student Sign Out Procedure

When you pick up your child during the school day, please ensure that you sign them out at the school office. If you do not sign out your child, they will be unaccounted for, and the school will identify your child as a 'missing' student and will commence a search of school grounds. If the school staff do not locate the child, and are unable to reach a parent promptly, the school will call the Vancouver Police Department. Therefore, clear communication is essential for ensuring the safety of your child and to prevent unnecessary searches.

Thank you for helping us keep your children safe!



Born and raised in Saskatchewan, I am of Annishinaabe and German ancestry. Many of my family members reside on the Saulteaux speaking, Fishing Lake Reserve in Saskatchewan. I have been living, loving and learning on the traditional unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil Waututh for over30 years. I am delighted to be working with the students, staff and families at Grandview.

Anin/Hello

My name is Tiare LaPorte and I will be the Indigenous Education Worker at Grandview/ ¿uuqinak'uuh Elementary School for this school year.

In this role, I can provide support to Indigenous students in the areas of academics, social emotional, cultural knowledge and advocacy.

As a drum and song carrier I look forward to bringing Indigenous music to your child's classroom.

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