# Sir Wilfrid Laurier

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**Dear Laurier Community,** 

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busy first few weeks and it has been so much fun watching our students already SOARing to success!This has been a very challenging year for school staffing across the province.Laurier has been no exception. The province has seen an unprecedented number of teaching positions become available. This has initiated a move of teachers out

I want to welcome you all to the 2017-2018 school year at Laurier. It has been a

of the District to pursue positions closer to home. At school opening, the Vancouver School Board had over 100 positions that remained unfilled. Here at Laurier we started the year with three unfilled positions. I am happy to announce, that although we have had to ask non-enrolling staff to cover classroom positions for the month of September, the hiring committee has been able to use this month to secure some fabulous additions to our Laurier Team. We have now hired for every enrolling classroom. I want to offer a warm Laurier welcome to the following new staff:

Mr. Ryan Hong – Division 2, Gr. 7

Ms. Marie Tan - Divison 3. Gr. 6

Mr. Peter Jordan - Division 5, Gr. 4/5 (Monday and Thursday mornings )

Ms. Rowena Cacapit - Division 6, Grade 4/5

Ms. Sabrina Wong - Division 9, Gr. 2/3

Ms. Bronagh Kehler - Divison 12, Gr. 1/2

...and joining our Student Support Workers (SSW) Team are:

Navleen Sandhar, Zana Dojnov, and Junji Miyake.

A package of important information has been sent home with students. Included in the Student Information Package is the Laurier Calendar. This calendar is intended to give your family a preview of events to come during the school year as well as outline ways you can assist your child(ren) at home with their learning. Also included in your package is the Laurier Code of Conduct. Please review this Code of Conduct with your child. At Laurier we **SOAR** to success with **S**upport and **O**pen Mind, an **A**wesome Attitude and **R**espect. We teach and reinforce the concepts in the code throughout the school year through announcements, assemblies, presentations, and SOAR challenges. Creating a positive and safe school climate, as well as helping students develop personal qualities that will assist them in becoming productive and supportive community members are at the heart of our school goal of Social and Emotional Learning. We all look forward to another fun filled year of SOARing together!



Risha Golby

October 2017

#### **Important Dates:**

October 5th: Individual Photo Day for all students

October 6th: Hip Hop begins for all divisions

October 9th: Thanksgiving - school not in session

October 10th: PAC meeting at 6:30 PM in the Library

October 13th: HipHop Performance in the Gym - Time TBA

October 11th: EarthBites Pocket Market after school on the Black Top

October 19th: BC 'Shake Out' - whole school Earthquake Drill @ 10:16 AM

Oct 20th: Professional Development Day for teachers - Students do not attend

Oct 26th: Eric Waters - school author visit

Oct 31st: Halloween Assembly @ 9:15 AM in the Gym

## **Reporting Student Absences**

Student safety is of paramount importance at the Vancouver School District. Ensuring student safety is a shared responsibility. In order to assist schools, we ask parents to notify schools of student absences. If your child will be absent from school, please phone or email the school to report this absence as early as possible.

Messages will be received before the office is open. School offices are busy places: consistently notifying the school in advance of your child's absence will significantly improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Safe Arrival Morning Routine.

If your child is going to be away from school please call the following number:

# 604-713-5159

## ext. 44

## **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!





#### **EarthBites:**

#### Fall Feast & Farmers Market - Wednesday Oct 11, 2017

Did you know that soon there will be more plastic than fish in the ocean? Join us Wednesday Oct 11th after school to learn more about how to unplastic our world. Students and Earthbites are hosting a Fall Feast and Farmers Market. Laurier Students will be sharing free soup made from our garden bounty. Garden produce will be for sale by donation. Also for sale will be Luumi silicone sandwich bags, straws, and lids. Luumi is generously donating half the proceeds from each sale to EarthBites @ W. Laurier, to help our garden grow. Pre-order forms are available online at www.facebook.com/EarthBites or are available from the office. Order forms are due Friday October 6th.



### **Parent Advisory Council:**

We are excited to have kicked the year off with seeing so many parents at our first PAC meeting and the amazing turnout at the Meet the Teacher Family Potluck. A huge thank you to all our staff for all their work through all the changes at the start of the year!

We are planning a few events this fall including Movie Night and Craft Fair as well as the school friendship list. We also plan to have the Purdy's fundraiser and hopefully the Fresh to You fruit & vegetable sales fundraiser and a Family Portrait session if we can find a photographer. There are also t-shirts for sale, order forms on the website:

https://laurierpac.weebly.com/uploads/1/4/8/9/14892754/t-shirts\_-jan2017.pdf

If you are interested in helping with any of these events, please contact us. If you are looking for a way to volunteer, or just want to know more about our school – and see Ms Golby's fantastic slide show - please come to our next PAC meeting which is October 10th, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the library

Ann Mukai: (PAC Chair) Clemment Law: (Treasurer) Paola Baca: (Past Chair) Karen Lidhar (Hot lunch Coordinator)

Anita Parkinson: (Vice-Chair) Lisa Juan: (Secretary) Anita Chui : (Hot lunch & Strings Coordinator)

Email: <u>laurier.pac@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>https://laurierpac.weebly.com</u>



## **SOAR Challenge:**

This month's SOAR challenge is to for students to show us how they can SOAR to success on the playground. The students have set themselves a goal of earning 1000 SOAR Tickets over the month of October. When we reach that goal we will celebrate with a School Fun Day. To help us achieve our goal - please review the following positively stand rules with your child.

#### Laurier Eagles SOAR with success on the Playground

Location:	Supportive	Open Minded	Awesome	Respectful
Spider Web	Encourage others. Invite someone new to come climb with you.	Challenge yourself – but don't be afraid to ask for help!	Have a calm voice and body. Give lots of body space. Encourage others.	Help others or get help from an adult if someone is in need.
Slide	Let others finish their turn before you start.	Be patient. Let others go first.		One person on the slide at a time. Go down the slide only – especially during busier times like recess and lunch.
Swings and Monkey bars	Help others. Look out for each other Invite someone to play	Let other people have turns Problem solve ways to share the equipment.	Make sure your body is in control and that you have given body space. Challenge yourself but avoid risks you aren't ready for.	Wait your turn. One person at a time. Decide on a direction and stick to it!
Tag	Play tag in the lower field and not by the doors. Remember – we share this space with lots of different bodies – be aware of others and their needs.	Take turns being 'it'. If you need help deciding let an adult decide for you. If someone has been 'it' for too long, offer to take a turn for them.	Let tag be about FUN! If it isn't "FUN' find something else to play. Maintain a calm body: TAG at is one gentle touch with one hand, above the waist and below the shoulders.	Use respectful words when playing tag. Make up respectful names for the games. TAG can and should be inclusive: always invite others to play and never leave a friend out.

