

#### ¿uuqinak'uuh/Grandview Elementary School

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#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear ¿uuqinak' uuh (Grandview) Community,

It is hard to believe that we are already nearing the end of our first term. The sunshine and the crisp cool air have been a welcome change to November's relentless rain. I am so proud of how our students and staff have embraced the weather and kept the learning fun and safe here at ¿uuqinak'uuh/ Grandview. The staff and the students really do model every day what it means to S.O.A.R. with Support, an Open Heart, an Awesome Attitude and Support!

#### Raven's Call Assemblies:

Each month one division will lead us through the assembly to teach us what it means to S.O.A.R. at ¿uuqinak'uuh/ Grandview. It is also a chance for us to honour our SOAR students of the month at the assemblies. All parents are welcome to join us on the first Friday of every month at 11:15 a.m. via your child's TEAMS account. A link to join that assembly will be in their Calendar and posted on their General page. If you need any help with this or need to know how to sign on to your child's TEAMS account, please contact your child's teacher.

# PHO Guidelines for Pick Up and Drop Off and COVID 19 Exposure Communication Process:

As the weather continues to get colder and the days shorter, I would like to ask that families familiarize themselves with the new PHO Guidelines, with particular attention to dropping off and picking up students. While we understand that this is an important time for community building, we need to do what we can as a school community to keep each other safe.

The following is a link to the New Health Order. COVID 19
Safety and Emergency Response. It encourages maskwearing in all public spaces and asks that we do not assemble (think new soccer rules for parents: You can pick up
and drop off, but they ask that you do not stay to watch).

Please take some time to review these recommendations and help us by being prompt for pick up and drop off, and allow for physical distancing between yourself, staff and other families.

In the news, you may see a list of schools that have had COVID – 19 exposures. Although this has not happened at Grandview, we want to make you aware of the V.C.H. process for notifying school communities of COVID exposures. Please see the following link with a flow chart that explains the notification process: <a href="http://www.vch.ca/covid-19/school-exposures">http://www.vch.ca/covid-19/school-exposures</a>

## Snow Closure and Severe Weather:

Vancouver School Board has procedures followed in situations where severe weather, like heavy snowfall or very high winds, might affect schools. All schools in the Vancouver School District will remain open if at all possible during severe weather events. Any district-wide closure will be decided by 7:00 a.m. at the latest. Details of district-wide or individual school closures will be announced through the media and the district website front page. Please note that no announcement will be made stating that schools are open. Only closures and delayed openings will be announced. Information about any district-wide closures will be sent to Metro Vancouver radio and television stations. Please check the following stations for school closure information (but do not call them):

Radio	Television
CBC AM 690 radio, 88.1 FM	Global BC
CKNW AM 980 radio	CBC TV
News AM 1130 radio	CTV BC
Fairchild AM 1470 radio	City TV

Sincerely,

Risha Golby (she,her,hers)

"Every Child, Every Day, Every Chance"

Acknowledges that we live, work and play on the unceded and traditional territories skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), selfilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), and xʷməðkʷəyəm (Musqueam) Nations.

# cuuqinak'uuh/Grandview Moments



















Supportive: (Community)

- We are kind
- We are encouraging
- We welcome and include others

Open Hearted: (Self)

- We are open to new ideas
- We are peaceful problem solvers
- We can ask for help when we need it

Awesome Attitude: (Spirit)

- We persevere
- We are courageous learners
- We understand the importance of own story

Respect: (Well Being) We care about the well being of:

- ourselves
- others
- this land

#### 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.

Thank you for helping us keep your children safe!

## CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

Fri, Dec 18- Last day of instruction before winter break

Mon, Dec 21- Fri, Jan 1 - Winter break

Mon, Jan 4, 2021 - School re-opens after winter break

#### MESSAGE FROM OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSISTANT

Happy Holidays Grandview Families:

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season. Please stay safe and healthy over the winter break and looking forward to seeing everyone on January 4th.

Donna Mah
Neighbourhood Assistant
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# Kindergarten registration for children born in 2016 begins on November 1.

All kindergarten applicants are required to submit an application to their English catchment elementary school. This includes families who wish to apply for choice programs (Early French Immersion, Montessori, Indigenous Focus School, Early Mandarin Bilingual, Nootka Fine Arts) and/or a cross boundary placement.

The priority registration period for Kindergarten opens on **November 1 and closes at 4 pm on January 29**. Students who submit an application within this priority period will be accommodated before late applicants.

For more information on kindergarten registration visit: http://www.vsb.bc.ca/kindergarten

2 Visit your catchment school with necessary documents