



NIGHTINGALE NEWS

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Dates to Remember in June



- Wednesday, June 5 ...School AIRS Exhibit—
Open House 2:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 7 ...Sports Day (a.m. only)
- Thursday, June 13 ...H.A.W.K.S. Night
- Monday, June 17 ...PAC Meeting 7:00 p.m. in the library
- Monday, June 24 ...Report Cards go home
- Tuesday, June 25 ...Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony (Grad)
- Thursday, June 27 ...Last Day of School

A Message from Ms. Hughes

In the blink of an eye, May came and went and it was a busy month at Nightingale with staffing meetings, planning for next year, Welcome to Kindergarten and Jump Rope for Heart.

June will prove to be no less busy as we prepare for the end of the school year. Year-end field trips are something the children always look forward to and we would like to thank the PAC for financially supporting all of the year-end field trips as well as the grade 7 leaving activities. Of course, the big event for the PAC this month is HAWKS night on Thursday, June 13—we look forward to seeing you there!

With all the rain our garden is flourishing—be sure to check it out next time you are at school.

“PROUD TO BE HAWKS”

Honest, Awesome Attitude, Working hard, Kind, Safe



REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child is sick and unable to attend school, please report your child’s absence:

Call 604-713-5159 school code 59#

or

nigattendance@vsb.bc.ca



Report your child’s first and last name, division number, and teacher’s name. It is important that you do call this number, even if you have sent a message to your child’s teacher via e-mail. This will let the office know your child is absent so that we know they are safe at home. Teachers do not necessarily check their e-mail or they may be away themselves and we would not have access to the information. Thank you.

Privacy and Gaming



Did you know that, according to a January report from MTM Junior in 2023, four out of five children had played a video game in the past week. With this in mind, I thought I would share a resource that you can refer to when discussing privacy and protecting personal information when gaming with your child.

[Gaming and personal information: playing with privacy - Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada](#)

Diversity Calendar

June 16—Father’s Day
 June 21—[National Indigenous Peoples Day](#)
 June 20—[Summer Solstice](#)
 June 16—June 19—[Eid ul Adha](#)—Muslim
 Listed above are some of the observances, holidays, celebrations and notable dates in June. *I extend my apologies if I missed an observance that your family recognizes, please do let us know!* This addition to the newsletter is *intended to be inclusive* and we welcome any and all additions. If you would like your family observances or celebrations to be acknowledged, please e-mail [Angela Hughes](#) and they can be added to the newsletters. Click on the links to learn more

PAC News

The PAC Annual General Meeting is coming up on Monday, June 17 and this is when next year’s executive is elected.

- To show your continued support for Nightingale's programs, please consider donating to the PAC's [Rise Up Hawks! Direct Drive](#).
- HAWKS Night 2023—Thursday, June 13th—mark your calendar.

Together we are better!

Notice of Late Return and Are You Moving?

As we are planning for September, here are a few reminders for over the summer:

- [If you move over the summer](#) and will be in a new school catchment, please wait until both schools reopen at the end of August to put in a transfer request. You can pick up a transfer form at Nightingale and we will send that to your new catchment school. If you already know you are moving but have yet to inform the school, please contact the office as soon as possible to let us know. Thank you.
- If you are not moving but intend on returning to Nightingale after Friday, September 6 but before Monday, September 30, please complete the [Notice of Late Return Form](#) and send it to the office before noon on Friday, September 30. If your child is unaccounted for by noon on Friday, September 6 we may remove them from our organization and then give that space to a child on the waitlist if we have one. It is expected that every child will have a school placement by the end of September.

Thank you!

Nightingale Website

As a reminder, pro-d dates, holidays, conferences and other events are all noted on the Nightingale website.



At Nightingale we love our school!

A message from the Grade 7s

As they prepare to leave us, the grade 7s wanted to share an inspirational message with the school community. This message is displayed on the top floor of the school outside of Ms. Aird's room and reads:

"Enjoy the little things in life because one day you'll look back and realize they were the big things".



Friends and Family of Nightingale School are warmly invited to....

Befriending the Land

An AIRS Program Exhibition & Open House
Celebrating Student Art at Nightingale Elementary
Wednesday June 5 - 2pm-6pm

Refreshments by PAC



Conversations with Trees
Autumn Equinox
Div. 4,5,6



Dreaming with Trees
Winter Solstice
Div. 1,2,3



Trees Awakening
Spring Equinox
Div. 10, 11, 12



Celebrating with Trees
Approaching the Summer Solstice, Div. 7,8,9



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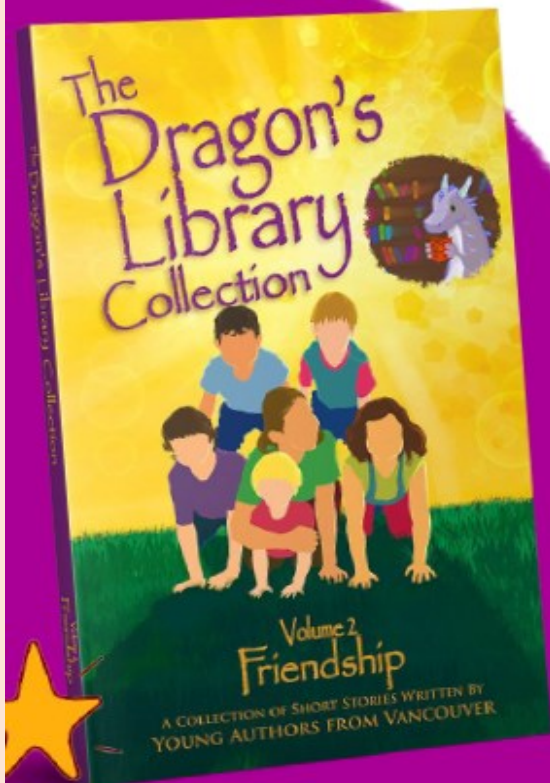
IT'S HERE !

The Dragon's Library Collection: Volume 2 - Friendship

www.dragonslibrarycollection.ca

Short stories written by students from

- Charles Dickens
- Florence Nightingale
- Laura Secord
- Lord Strathcona



You can find it
in your library

Stay Tuned! This book will be coming to our library soon. If anyone would like a copy of their own, they can be ordered at cost at this [link](#).



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Free Summer Program for Families!

Learn about healthy eating, physical activity, and building long-lasting habits as a family in Generation Health. This 10-week program for families with children ages 8 to 12 is FUN and interactive!

Delivered through YMCA BC starting July 2024 on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Families who join this program will receive a complimentary YMCA membership.

Register today! >>>



gv.ymca.ca/generation-health
generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca



KIVAN



South Coast BC

ARE YOU READY FOR AN AWESOME BGC SUMMER?!

BGCCBC.CA

@BGCBELONG

The cost for summer programs is \$125/week for current Club Members, and \$175/week for Non-Members (kids who don't attend after-school, but attend full day programs)

- WEEK 1 – JULY 2-5
- WEEK 2 – JULY 8-12
- WEEK 3 – JULY 15-19
- WEEK 4 – JULY 22-26
- WEEK 5 – JULY 29-AUGUST 2
- WEEK 6 – AUGUST 6-9
- WEEK 7 – AUGUST 12-16
- WEEK 8 – AUGUST 19-23
- WEEK 9 – AUGUST 26-30

**TO REGISTER, VISIT
 BGCBC.CA, OR CONTACT
 THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE
 AT REGISTER@BGCBC.CA
 OR PHONE 604.324.2267**

2875 ST GEORGE STREET, VANCOUVER
 604-679-9118 | KIVANCLUB@BGCBC.CA
 8:30AM-8:00PM | DAY CAMP - GRADES
 1-4 | YOUTH ESCAPE - GRADES 5-7

More Jump Rope Photos



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Sport's Day

Sports Day this year will be on Friday, June 7. Primary classes (and grade 3s from division 5) will participate at the school, while the Intermediate students have booked Robson Park for their morning.

Parents are welcome to join us. We ask that if you are here for sports day and need to use a washroom, please come to the office to use the universal washroom rather than the washrooms in the basement. If you are spending any length of time inside the building, please be sure to sign in and sign out again when you leave. Thank you!

If the weather is hot, please remember to send your child with a water bottle, a hat, and sunscreen.



Congratulations Mr. Thomas!

Nightingale staff are pleased to congratulate Mr. Thomas as one of the recipients of this year's Peter Henderson Bryce Ally Awards. He was chosen by the VSB Indigenous Education Department for this award due to his commitment towards reconciliation and was recognized at an event at Magee Secondary on Thursday, May 30. We are so very proud to have him at our school as we strive towards becoming better allies in the reconciliation journey. Well done Thomas!



Staffing Updates

As we are getting towards the end of the school year, there are a few staffing updates to announce:

We are wishing Jimmie the best of luck as he starts his new role. His last day at Nightingale was Friday, May 17. Please join me in welcoming Junas, who started as our new evening assistant building engineer and Rufino, who will begin working at Nightingale on Monday, June 3, as our new daytime building engineer.

Updated information about new staff joining the Nightingale community in the fall will be shared in the June newsletter.

Jump Rope for Heart

As a reminder, our Jump Rope for Heart event was postponed to Friday, May 31. You can still donate to this good cause online at:



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Calendar 2024-2025
SCHOOL NAME
 Nightingale Elementary School



SCHOOL OPERATION OVERVIEW

Number of Days in Session	187
Number of Days of Instruction	180
Number of Days of Non-Instruction	6 Non-Instructional Days 1 Administrative Day (June 27)

IMPORTANT DATES

First Day of School for Students	Tuesday, September 3, 2024
National Day of Truth & Reconciliation	Monday, September 30, 2024
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 14, 2024
Remembrance Day	Monday, November 11, 2024
Last Day of Instruction Before Winter Vacation	Friday, December 20, 2024
Winter Vacation Period	Monday, December 23, 2024-Friday, January 3, 2025
School Re-opens after Winter Vacation	Monday, January 6, 2025
Family Day	Monday, February 17, 2025
Last Day of Instruction Before Spring Vacation	Friday, March 14, 2025
Spring Vacation Period	Monday, March 17 – Friday, March 28, 2025
School Re-opens after Spring Vacation	Monday March 31, 2025
Good Friday	Friday, April 18, 2025
Easter Monday	Monday April 21, 2025
Victoria Day	Monday, May 19, 2025
Last Full Day of Pupil Attendance	Thursday, June 26, 2025
Administrative/School Closing Day	Friday, June 27, 2025

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS
 (SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION)**

Friday, September 20, 2024	Professional Development Day (Date set by school)
Friday, October 25, 2024	Professional Development Day (Province wide)
Friday, November 22, 2024	Professional Development Day (District wide)
Wednesday, January 15, 2025	Professional Development Day (Date set by school)
Friday, February 14, 2025	Professional Development Day (District wide)
Monday, April 28, 2025	Professional Development Day (District wide)

PARENT CONFERENCE DATES

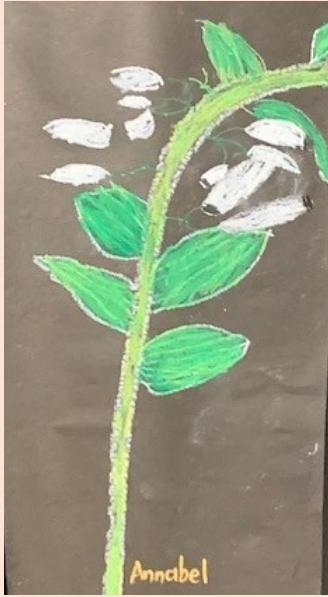
EARLY DISMISSAL TIMES

Wednesday, October 16, 2024	2:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 17, 2024	2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 23, 2025	2:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 24, 2025	2:00 p.m.



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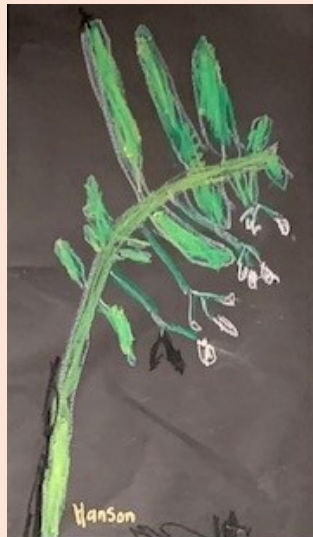
Nightingale Art



Solomon Seal Still Life

By Division 10

Nightingale Art



Nightingale Art



Fall

Division 11
Kindergarten
Collaborative Collages
Through the Seasons



Winter

Spring

