CAPTAIN JAMES COOK ELEMENTARY

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*‘The students, staff, and parents of Cook Elementary are committed to providing educational opportunities for intellectual, social, physical and creative growth for all children, in a setting that reflects mutual respect and social responsibility.’*

**Principal:** Ms. Lisa Nucich **Office Administrative Assistant**: Mrs. J Carruthers

**Director of Instruction:** Mrs. Magdalena Kassis **Community School Coordinator:** Ms. T. Schiewe

**Trustee:** Mr. Oliver Hanson **Strong Start Program:** Ms. Cindy Chu (604) 713-4828

**PAC Chair:** Mr. Jeff Lee Ext. 2160

**Superintendent of Schools**: Mrs. Suzanne Hoffman

**June 2019 Newsletter**

**SCHOOL HOURS:**

**Educational Teaching Time - Monday-Friday- 9:00am-3:00pm**

**Lunch**-12:10- 12:57pm

**Supervision in the mornings** on the playground for students- 8:40-9:00 a.m.

**Supervision after school** on the playground- 3:00-3:20pm

 **SCHOOL NEWS**

![MC900391166[1]]()**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE:**

Dear Captain Cook Parents and Guardians,

 Wow! June has arrived, the warm weather has arrived, and with it a closing of the 2018-2019 school year. As the school year closes, so does saying Goodbye to some staff members. We are sad to see them go, but happy for Mrs. Katie Brown (Resource) and Mrs. Sandra Pomponio (SSA) as they step into new endeavours. We wish all our Teacher Candidates good luck in their future teaching careers.

 I, as well, will be changing schools as Administration does. I have thoroughly enjoyed my 3 ½ years here at Cook. It truly is a special community with caring students, staff, and parents. I am grateful to have had my experiences here as Cook, and will be taking a piece of Cook with me. I will be heading to Mackenzie Elementary where I taught a few years into my teaching career in 1998. I am pleased to announce that Ms. Gowa Kong will be coming in September 2019. Ms. Kong is an experienced Principal in North Vancouver and Vancouver (Kingsford-Smith and Southlands.) Please join me in giving a warm welcome to Ms. Kong.

Thank you as well to Mr. Jeff Yee, our PAC President of that past two years. Mr. Yee, a former Cook student, has given many years of his daughter’s time here (Kaitlyn) in volunteerism (on the PAC Executive and around the school) and donations to the school. He is a kind and generous person who works extremely well with the staff here at Cook. His presence will be missed as his lovely daughter will be moving on to Secondary in September.

Thank you to all our PAC Executive Members for all their work in the school’s Bike To School Week last week in regards to the school bike raffle (Thank You to Jeff Yee, PAC President for securing the bike donations.) MANY tickets were sold with the proceeds donated to our incredible Sage Saress and her incredible mom Lynn-Anne as Sage continues to battle cancer. Congratulations to Peyton and Rehaan on their bike wins.

 Thank you to our Track and Field Coaches, Mr. Tony Ramsell, Mr. Dylan Clover, Ms. Jusdene Badh, Mr. Mannu Basra, Ms. Esther An, Ms. Kimberly Wong, Ms. Sarah Kwan, Mr. Kenzo Vlasman, and Mrs. Mona Francis for all their hard work in coaching this season.

 All books are due back to the Library in Thursday, June 6th for the beginning of inventory purposes.

 A reminder that the first day back in the new school year, 2019-2020, is only for one hour (9:00am-10:00am) on Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019. The new Kindergartens will be emailed their Gradual Entry Schedule mid-June.

I wish you a healthy, fun, and relaxing, but exciting summer.

All the best to you and yours.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lisa Nucich

Welcome to *School Cash Online*

School Cash Online is an online parent portal that offers a safe, fast and convenient way to pay for school activity fees. The portal is customized to meet your school’s needs and allows you as a parent, to add y o u r students, make payments, check current balance/account history, print or view receipts, and receive notifications about upcoming events.

Why Use School Cash Online?

With School Cash Online, you can pay all your student’s school fees with the click of a button. Wherever. Whenever. Trips to the school to drop-off cash or sending your student with money will be a thing of the past. School Cash Online also enables you to keep track of your student’s school items and activities.

Purchase these items and more online.

Which Payment Methods are Accepted?

Credit Card

Pay with Visa or MasterCard on School Cash Online by entering your credit card number, CVV number (the three digits on the back of your card), card expiry date, and billing information.

eCheck

An electronic version of a paper check used to make payments online. Anyone with a checking or savings account can pay by eCheck through School Cash Online.

myWallet

An online wallet that can be loaded to hold funds and pay for your child’s fees on School Cash Online*.* myWallet also allows you to allocate funds to pay for school fees at a later date, as you would with a gift card.

How to Register

Follow these instructions to create your School Cash Online account today.

1

**Create Your Profile:**

Go to https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com

htand click on “Get Started Today”.

2

**Confirm Your Email:**

Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details.

3

**Add a Student**

Click “Add Student” and fill in the required fields with your child’s details.

For more information contact Parent Helpdesk at

parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com or 1.866.961.1803

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 For safety and efficiency reasons, the Vancouver School Board would like to reduce the amount of cash and number of cheques coming into our schools. Please join the many parents who have already registered for the convenience of paying online; it takes less than five minutes. After following the easy, step-by-step instructions below, you will begin to receive email notifications regarding your child(ren)’s upcoming events.

NOTE: If you require assistance, select the *SUPPORT* option in the top right hand corner of the screen.

Step 1: Register

a) If you have not registered, please go to the *School Cash Online* home page https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com and select the *“Get Started Today”* option.

b) Complete each of the three Registration Steps

\*For Security Reasons your password, requires *8 characters*,

*one uppercase* letter, *one lowercase* letter and a *number*.

Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and *School Cash Online* account. The confirmation link will open the *School Cash Online* site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.

Step 3: Find Student

This step will connect your children to your account.

a) Enter the School Board Name.

b) Enter the School Name.

c) Enter Your Child’s Usual First Name, Last Name and Birth Date.

d) Select *Continue.*

e) On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in

the Agree box and select *Continue.*

f) Your child has been added to your account.

Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select *“Add Another Student”* and repeat the steps above. 8 children can be added to one parent account. If you do not wish to add additional children, select “*View Items for Students”* option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.

**StrongStart**

StrongStart is a free drop-in program offered to parents and caregivers with children ages zero to five years old.  StrongStart Centres emphasize learning through play, language and positive social interactions.

StrongStart provides a rich learning environment, designed for early learning development. Qualified early childhood educators lead learning activities where children find opportunities to make friends and interact with others of similar ages.  The overall learning experience is shared as parents and caregivers attend with their children and are encouraged to get involved in activities like telling stories, playing games and serving healthy snacks.

The StrongStart that is located at Cook is in Room #160 from 9:00am-12:00pm, Monday to Friday. Please see Ms. Cindy Chu to register.

For more information, please visit our website www.vsb.bc.ca/programs/strong-start



**LIVING WATER CHINESE SCHOOL;**

The Living Water Chinese School takes place on Mondays after school in the Activity Room from 3:00-5:00pm. Parents are encouraged to invite their children to come to study the Chinese language and other Chinese culture subjects. Please contact Mrs. April Leung at #778-878-6699 © or at #604-337-0272.

\*Please note that this program in an independent program, separate from the school and Killarney Community Schools Team programming that occurs at Cook.

**CAPTAIN COOK WEBSITE:** www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/captain-james-cook

Please refer to our Cook website regularly. You will find updated and fluid information there including weekly and monthly calendars, newsletters (at the beginning of each month), and other pertinent information. Please ensure you have clearly filled out and returned the CASL form that has been sent home so that we may send items home by email.