



## Confederation Park Elementary Education Through The Arts End of Year June 2015

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### Mission Statement

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Confederation Park seeks to enhance the learning of students by offering a variety of opportunities within the performing and visual arts. It is our belief that the integration of the arts into all facets of education teaches students to recognize and appreciate diversity. Confederation Park acknowledges the importance of physical education and academic excellence. It is integral to any school that the curriculum is wholly valued and celebrated. Valuing differences, strengths, and places for further growth is encouraged as a means to develop personal success and empathy within the school population. The arts provide a visual, aural and physical venue in which to strengthen learning, promote success and to respect a multitude of perspectives. It is within this sphere that we are able to travel into the larger world and become a positive force with society.

### Have a Great Summer!

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It is hard to believe that it is the end of June already. How quickly this year has passed by leaving us with wonderful memories of performing, presenting, playing and working hard together! Staff, parents, and students have contributed so much of themselves to make this 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary year a memorable one. You have all demonstrated a tireless dedication to make things happen at Confederation Park Education Through the Arts School. Everyone has earned a well-deserved break.

On behalf of the staff, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and families of the Confederation Park community. You have given your time and energy, supported clubs and after school activities, fundraised and created community by organizing events. Your financial support has enriched the learning opportunities for the students of the school. We wish you a fun, relaxing summer with family and friends.

As for Confederation Park students, we wish you a summer full of adventures and stories. Please remember to have fun and be safe. Keep reading and try new things! As we will be going our separate ways, I thank you all for the privilege of working with you and your children. It has been so rewarding for me! I look forward to hearing about your adventures in the future!

Relax, rest, and enjoy your summer!

Stephanie Miller  
Principal



Farewell to our grade 7's

Aldrin  
Aaron  
Armaan  
Adalia  
Emma  
Elise  
Shyanna  
Anthony  
Silvio  
Emma  
Avah  
Angelica  
Andrew  
Jeremy  
Jordan  
Luca  
Nikki  
Jesse  
Kalyan  
Ye-Jin (Belle)  
Jacob  
Olivia  
Caila  
Brianna  
Celina  
Simon

As we say good bye and good luck to you, we want you to know that you have demonstrated leadership, initiative, distinguished yourself in the arts and excelled at sports. Your effort and academic growth has served you well. We look forward to hearing of your continued progress and accomplishments. Stay in touch!



Important Dates for 2016/2017

**Please note that we will be adding 1 minute to each day. School will end at 3:03. All Burnaby Schools will be adding an extra minute to the end of the school day.**

8:50 (invitation for student's to enter school)  
8:55 – 12:00 noon (instructional time)  
12:55 (invitation for student's to enter school)  
1:00 – 3:03 (instructional time)

Number and length of Recesses per day    1 X 15 MINS.  
10:30 – 10:45 am.

Tuesday September 6 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of school 8:50-9:50 am
Friday September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Pro D Day
Friday September 30 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Implementation Day (no school)
Monday October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving – No School
Friday October 21 <sup>st</sup>	Pro D Day
Friday November 11 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day – No School
Friday November 25 <sup>th</sup>	Pro D Day
<b>Monday December 19<sup>th</sup> –</b>	<b>Christmas/Winter Break</b>
<b>Monday January 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	
Tuesday January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	First Day Back
Monday February 13 <sup>th</sup>	Family Day – No School
Friday February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pro D Day
<b>Monday March 13<sup>th</sup> –</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>
<b>Friday March 24<sup>th</sup></b>	
Monday March 27 <sup>th</sup>	First Day Back
Friday April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday
Monday April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Monday – No School
Monday April 24 <sup>th</sup>	Pro D Day
Monday May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Victoria Day – No School
Friday June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pro D Day
Thursday June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of School – 10:00 dismissal

## Staff News

Congratulations to Ms. Bonnie Ishii! She will be the Acting Head Teacher at Confederation Park for 2016-2017.

We would like to take this opportunity to honor the following members of our school community who are leaving us this year:

- Ms. Tamara McCarthy will be relocating to Nanaimo with her family. We wish her the best!
- Mr. Matt Pickering, who joined us in April and will be returning to the teacher-on-call list. We hope to see him at Confederation Park again.
- Ms. Collins and Ms. Dias remain on maternity leave for the year. They both had girls and will be quite busy for the year.
- Mr. Ng joined us partway through the year as our ELL teacher and resource support. He will be returning to the TOC list. All the best!
- Ms. Corwyn joined us in May and has been teaching dance. She will be returning to the TOC list. Thank you for all your hard work.
- Ms. Chim joined us to teach singing and she will be returning to the TOC list. Thank you for being at our school.
- Ms. Lau, who was an educational assistant, is leaving us and will be working with new students in the district. We will miss her.
- Ms. Windsor-Liscombe has chosen retirement this year from her position as head Teacher and Learning support teacher. Her vast knowledge and expertise will be greatly missed. We wish her all the best with her new adventure in her retirement.

Tuesday, September 6, 2016.

After the summer holidays are over, students are asked to report back to last year's classroom on Tuesday, September 6 at 8:50. Students will be dismissed from last year's classroom at 9:50. It is important that all students attend the first day of school so that we can confirm registration at Confederation Park.

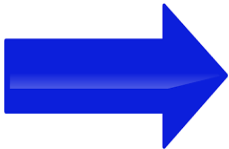
Students will attend regular hours from 8:50- 3:03 pm from Wednesday to Friday and will remain in last year's class. For the first week of school students will need pencils, an eraser, a glue stick, and pencil crayons. Please make sure that your child is dressed for physical activities. We look forward to an exciting first week of school, full of opportunities to learn and build community for students, staff and parents.

Kindergarten Schedule:

New Kindergarten students do not attend this day. You will be meeting in the library on Wednesday September 7 at 9:30.

# Important Dates for 2016

## Kindergarteners

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Labour Day	6 K Students DO NOT ATTEND	7 K Students Attend: 9:30-10:30am (meet in the library)	8 K Students Attend: 9:30-10:30 (meet in the library)	9 K Students Attend: 9:30-10:30am (bring snack) (meet in the library)
12 K Students Attend: 12:55-2:00p(meet in the library)	13 K Students Attend: 8:50-10:30am	14 K Students Attend: 8:50-11:30am (bring snack)	15 K Students Attend: 8:50-1:00pm (bring snack and lunch)	16 K Students Attend: 8:50-2:00pm (bring snack and lunch)
19 First full day for Kindergarteners 8:50-3:03	20 	21	22	23

# Summer Fun!

Splish  
Splash  
Outdoor Swimming  
& Spray Pools

Outdoor  
Adventures  
Canoe or Hike  
Golf  
Eco-Sculptures  
Picnics

Festivals  
& Events  
Outdoor Concerts  
Canada Day Celebrations  
Giro di Burnaby

#BurnabySummer



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# Burnaby Village Museum

Where History Comes to Life

## First Nations Programs » July & August 2016

Join us for free, drop-in programs in July and August. Pre-registration is not required.

### Aboriginal Medicinal Plant Tour

Fridays, 11:30am, 12:30pm, 1:30pm & 2:30pm

Coast Salish educators share their knowledge of how native plants have long been used in Aboriginal health and healing practices.



Takaya Tours

### Squamish Weaving Stories

Sundays, 11am-3pm

Squamish Nation educators lead visitors in cedar bark and wool weaving hands-on activities.



Open until September 5, 11am-4:30pm

Free Gate Admission | Carousel Rides \$2.60 each

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