



## Confederation Park Elementary Education Through The Arts March, 2018

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### Mission Statement

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 within society.

### Principal's Message



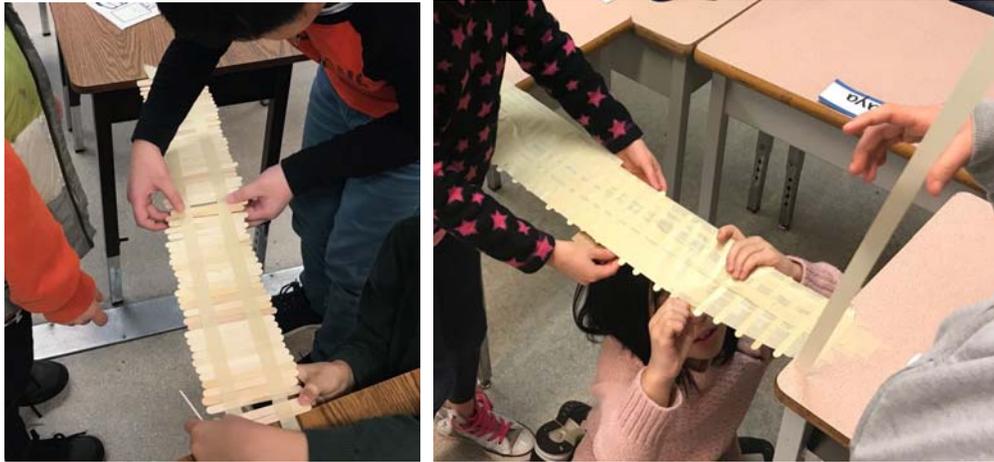
Dear Parents,

Happy March! Hope everyone is keeping well as we approach the end of our second term. We have had some very cold weather of late so I hope everyone is keeping warm whilst also enjoying the beauty and fun of the snow that has recently fallen.

We are very excited about our up-coming school-wide performance of 'Beauty and the Beast'. Our students and staff continue to work hard to prepare for our performances which will take place at the Michael J. Fox Theatre on Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm and 7pm. Support from our teachers, parents and fellow artist friends have all helped to pull the production together and provide our students with opportunities to learn in many different ways. For example, we recently had a visit from a past artist-in-residence, Susie Green, a choreographer and master teacher in dance and movement education, who gave us some tips with our large scale musical numbers. Also, Ms. McKenna has been running a noon hour Sewing Club to help intermediate students make 'mob' caps for their costumes. We learned that students need to use many math skills to take part in this project as students worked carefully to accurately manage pins, fabric, elastic and scissors as part of the process.

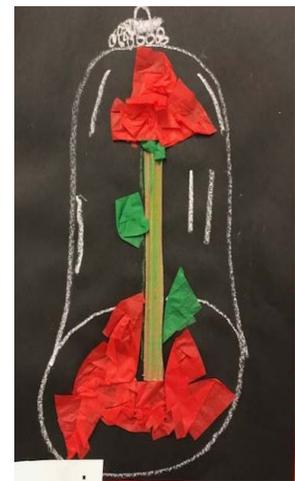
Our teachers also continue to plan creatively and collaboratively to blend 'Beauty and the Beast' themes with curriculum content and skills. Activities and projects have included Division 2's ADST project in designing costumes and props; Division 3's project in building diaramas to illustrate scenes from the musical; Division 5's ADST project in building bridges to support their Fairy Tales theme; and Division 9's creation of webs which connect the themes that run through the musical storyline. The Core Competencies which address intellectual, personal and social/emotional proficiencies, have also been addressed through classroom projects and our production

preparation and these play an important part in encouraging our students to engage in deep learning experiences and become life-long learners.



**Bridge Project – Division 5**

A continued big thank you to our parents who have been supporting our production. Many parents have given their time and shared their skills to support the making of costumes and props, as well as given advice for scenery, staging and lighting. We appreciate all your support, so thank you!



**Textured Roses – Division 6**

We look forward to seeing everyone at our up-coming performances on March 6th. We hope you will now take the time to sit back and enjoy the show!

Yours sincerely,

Helena Readman



## The Final Touches for Beauty and the Beast

Tickets: There are many tickets for the afternoon show and a limited amount for the evening show. Tickets can be purchased at the school or the theatre. Come one! Come all! You won't want to miss this spectacular production!

Michael J. Fox Theatre: 7373 MacPherson Ave, Burnaby, BC

The Michael J. Fox Theatre is located at Burnaby South Secondary School and the BC Provincial School for the Deaf. The nearest major intersections are Kingsway and Royal Oak, and Royal Oak and Rumble Street. Parking for the theatre is best reached from the MacPherson Street entrance.

Drop off and pick up: Individual make-up cast need to arrive at 6:00.

All other students need to arrive for 6:30. Outside theatre doors will open at 6:15 and inside theatre doors will open at 6:30.

There will be volunteers to direct parents and students to the correct dressing rooms. Students can be picked up from these dressing rooms at the end of the show. Authorized staff and student volunteers only will be allowed access to backstage holding areas.

Length of show: The show is scheduled for 70 minutes with no intermission.

Concession: All proceeds go to the Michael J. Fox Scholarship Program. Drinks with lids and concession food **are** permitted in the theatre.

Costumes: Students will arrive with their basic costume already on. Other pieces that are being supplied by the school will be in their dressing rooms.

Make-up: Make-up will be applied for the afternoon show on some of our students. It is our hope that the make-up stays on for the evening show so our make-up team will only have to do touch ups for the evening show.

Students who are not scheduled for any make up are welcome to wear their own make-up such as blush and lipstick if they choose to.

Hair: Girls please pull your hair back into a bun, French braid or ponytail. Many of you are wearing a head piece of some type so think about how that will work. Also, we want to see your beautiful faces!

Roses: In keeping with theatre tradition of giving roses to an actor for recognition of a great performance, our cast will be selling single roses in the lobby before the evening show. The cost is \$5.00 per rose while supplies last. Roses will be available for purchase for the evening show only.

Photography: Please stay in your seats and be courteous to audience members around you if you plan to take pictures. No flash photography please.

DVD's: Confederation Park has purchased the legal rights to video record this production. DVD order forms will be available on site. We thank Yunuen Perez Vertti, a parent and professional film maker, for donating her time and expertise in producing this special keepsake. The digital recording will contain BOTH performances, plus bonus material. DVD's are \$15.00.

Finally, let's celebrate and have fun! It's all about the kids! They are the stars!!



Winter Pictures – Division 5

### Report Cards

Our second term report cards will go home after Spring Break this year on **April 11<sup>th</sup>**.

### Neighbourhood Road Closure

Metro Vancouver will be completing maintenance a section of the Douglas Road Water Main along Albert Street, between Beta Ave. and Delta Ave. Construction was scheduled to begin in late February and is expected to take approximately two months to complete. As a result, Albert Street will be closed between Beta Ave and Delta Ave and traffic will detoured around the construction zone. Please be aware of this for the next two months as you pick up and drop off your child.



Snowy Pictures Exploring Concept of 3-D/Form– Division 5

### Calling in Absences

Just a reminder that if your child is absent from school, please contact the office directly with this information. Many parents contact their child's teacher but do not let the office know. Office staff can, therefore, think that a child is absent without reason and will call home to check that the child is safe. If the office knows ahead of time we can prevent homes from being called and causing worry for parents. If you usually contact your child's teacher and wish to continue doing so, please also call the school and leave a message at the office to ensure the absence is logged officially.

### Winter Clothing

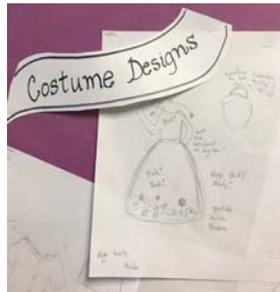
Another reminder to have your child wear appropriate clothing for our winter weather. We encourage students to head outside during recess and lunchtimes and this is made possible easier when suitable clothing is provided. Hats, scarves and gloves are recommended on really cold days as well as warm and waterproof jackets for those rainy days. Thank you for your cooperation!



Olympic Silhouettes – Division 4

### Basketball

The boys and girls basketball teams have now completed their basketball season for this year. Both teams were involved in playing regular games with other Burnaby schools and the season ended last week with Playdays at Burnaby North Secondary school. Congratulations to both teams for participating in this season and showing great sportsmanship and commitment to their playmates! Thank you also to Ms. Coutts, Mr. Seto and Pat Chiu for sponsoring these teams this term. Much appreciated!



Musical Costume Designs – Division 2

### Student-Led Conferences/Communicating Student Learning Evening

We will be hosting our Student-Led/Parent-Teacher conferences on the evening of **Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:15-7:00PM**. This evening is going to look a little different this year for some classes who may have their students communicate their learning in different ways. This is to reflect the changes in the Revised Curriculum and the new thinking around communicating learning in ways that are authentic and meaningful, and that reflect learning as a process versus a celebration of end products. Some teachers may, for example, communicate their students' learning through three-way conferences, some may use an Open House format with interactive stations, and others may use the traditional Student-Led format but with a focus on Core Competencies as a measure of learning and opportunity for students to reflect on their growth. Please stay tuned for more information.

### Pink Shirt Day

We celebrated Pink Shirt Day (Anti-Bullying Day) on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Students were encouraged to wear pink on this day and various activities took place in classrooms to acknowledge and celebrate this day.



Musical Playbills – Divisions 1

### Save the Dates

\*Beauty & the Beast Performance – Michael J. Fox Theatre – Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>

\*Second Term Report Cards Sent Home – April 11<sup>th</sup>

\*Student-Led Conferences/Communicating Student Learning – Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

\*Late Start – 9:50AM on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

## PAC NEWS

### **CHOCOLATES, CHOCOLATES EVERYWHERE!**

Just a reminder that you only have until this **Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>** to place your Purdy's Easter Chocolate order.

Prices are regular retail prices but **25% of each purchase** will go to ConfedPAC to be used towards school projects and activities.

Go to [www.purdysgpp.com](http://www.purdysgpp.com) to place your order. If you have ordered before, just log in to continue. If you are a new member, you will need to register using our group number of **21098**. The Easter Bunny will be dropping off the chocolates in the library on **Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>** for pick up after school. They will be packaged in an opaque Purdy's bag and stapled shut so little ones will be none the wiser.

If you have any questions, please contact Anita Siu at [purdys-fundraising@confedpac.ca](mailto:purdys-fundraising@confedpac.ca).

## **HOT LUNCH - SPRING SESSION**

Ordering for the Spring Hot Lunch Session will commence following March Break. Watch for information to be sent home the week of April 4th. Online orders will be due by **Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** and with the first lunch being delivered on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **MARCH ORDERS BRING MAY FLOWERS**

Confederation Park is gearing up for its annual Spring Plant Sale.

Once again we will be offering a variety of high quality, gorgeous hanging baskets and flats of bedding plants as well as herbs, tomatoes and a few new items. Complete information and order forms will be distributed the week of March 12<sup>th</sup>. **Orders will be due April 4<sup>th</sup>** with plants being delivered Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> just in time for Mother's Day.

Ordering will be open during the Spring Break via the Munch a Lunch website (<https://secure.munchalunch.com/apps/munch/login.aspx>) or by paper copy (Extra paper copies will be available at the office.) Credit Cards or cheques only, please NO Cash.

## **SOMEONE MUST HAVE PHOTOS!**

The Memory Book team **NEEDS** your photos to fill the pages. We have received only a few photos of the children for the WHOLE year. We cannot make this book without **YOUR** help!

**PLEASE** - If you have shots of your children taking part in school activities, attending a field trip or playing on the playground, please send them to [memory-book@confedpac.ca](mailto:memory-book@confedpac.ca)

They do not have to be "professional quality" – snap shots are perfect! They are memories and that is what the book is all about. ***We need the help of Confederation Park parents to fill up these pages.***

## **DIGGING IN THE DIRT**

We are pleased to announce the Garden Club will once again be beautifying our lovely garden at the front of the school. Parent coordinators Rachel Yensen and Tammy Vigliotti are eagerly making plans for the spring clean-up and the planting of the new containers installed last fall. The Garden Club is one of the few school clubs open to all grades, K – 7. The children gather on a regular basis to pull weeds, spread new dirt, plant and water, as well as develop friendships and have fun.

More information and registration forms will with be available after the break.

## **GOT AN IDEA?**

Have an idea for a new fundraiser? A new program to support the children's learning? A speaker for the kids or parents? An artist to teach new skills? Now is the time to submit these ideas to be considered for the 2018-19 school year.

All submissions need to be received by Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> in order to be considered. Please send you ideas to [chair@confedpac.ca](mailto:chair@confedpac.ca)

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

There will be no meeting in March due to Spring Break. The next PAC meeting will be held **Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 9AM** in the Staff Room.

### **STAY INFORMED. STAY CONNECTED.**

Things are constantly changing so stay in touch! Check us out by joining our closed Facebook group or visiting our website.

PAC Website: <http://confedpac.ca>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/confedpac/>

## Community Announcements



**Burnaby Barracudas Aquatics Club**  
WWW.BURNABYBARRACUDAS.COM

Swim **Stronger. Swim Faster**

- Swimming
- Baby Barracudas
- Water Polo
- Diving

**JOIN US!**

- Kids ages 3 - 18
- Swimmers 6 & up must swim min. 25 meters

Summer Season - May to August  
\* swim, water polo, dive, masters

Winter Maintenance - Sept. to April  
\* swim only

**For more information contact:**  
✉ : [registrar@burnabybarracudas.com](mailto:registrar@burnabybarracudas.com)

**Exciting new programs are coming your way, available for registration on Tuesday March 6, 2018!**

### **Meals Around the World, 5-10 yrs**

Join us each week as we use our imaginations to travel the world while we cook basic meals and make creative and inspiring crafts.

**\$37.50, 4 session**

**Tu, 3:15-4:45pm April 10 462796**

### **Babysitters Basics, 11+ yrs**

Children learn valuable skills, emergency procedures and tips on childcare. Certificates are awarded to those who successfully complete the course, which uses Canada Safety Council Babysitter's Guidelines. These recommend that children under 12 not babysit without adult supervision.

**\$75.00, 8 sessions**

**W, 3:15-4:45pm April 11 462792**

### **Indoor Soccer and Floor Hockey, 5-10 yrs**

Join us for an opportunity to sample various sports and games such as: badminton, soccer, floor hockey, cooperative games and much more. Bring a water bottle and plenty of energy.

**\$42.30, 6 sessions**

**F, 3:15-4:45pm April 20 462784**

### **Nature Club, 5-10 yrs**

Join us as we explore and examine plants, trees, insects and animals that you might find in your backyard.

**\$33.30, 4 sessions**

**Tu, 3:15-4:45pm May 15 462794**

### **Mother's Day Chocolates & Crafts, 5-12 yrs**

Join us after school to create special crafts and chocolate treats to give your mother for Mother's Day!

**\$13.50, 1 session**

**Tu, 3:15-4:45pm May 8 462795**



### **How to Register**

**Online: [burnaby.ca/webreg](http://burnaby.ca/webreg)**

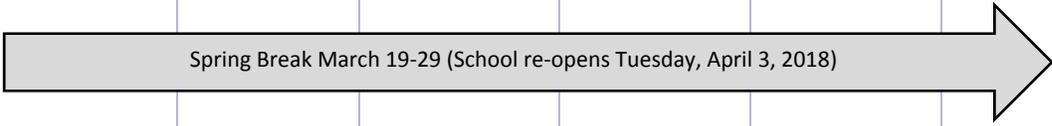
Or register at any Burnaby recreation facility. Fees must be paid when you register. We accept cash, cheque, VISA, MasterCard, AMEX or your bank debit card.



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# March 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
				1 Div. 5 to SFU Hot Lunch	2	3
4	5 Beauty and the Beast Rehearsal at Michael J. Fox	6 Beauty and the Beast Performance 1:00 & 7:00pm at Michael J. Fox	7	8 Hot Lunch	9	10
11	12	13 Div. 6 & 7 to Burnaby Art Gallery	14	15 Div. 4 to Port Moody Museum Hot Lunch Primary Days of Music, 10:00am	16 Div. 10 to McGill Library/Heights walk 1:00-3:00pm	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
						
25	26	27	28	29	30 Good Friday	31
