

Confederation Park Elementary Education Through The Arts April, 2020

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Mission Statement

To promote excellence by providing an enriched program that connects curriculum through the processes of the visual and performing arts.

Principal's Message



Dear Parents,

What a different start to our third term at Confed. It all feels so strange that we are not meeting in person and able to be together in the same physical space. It is an adjustment for all of us. It is also a steep learning curve for us as we navigate through this new world of technology and the virtual ways in which your child will now learn. We miss you all.

I am hopeful that you have now heard from your child's teacher and that you are able to access some form of virtual learning either from our district website through the Continuing Learning K-12 section on the front page, or directly from your child's teacher through a Class Blog, O365 Teams, or through emails. Teachers are busy organizing and providing learning opportunities for students that can be completed at home and shared with the teacher regularly. We hope that this is already being shared with you.

I know that this time is overwhelming for parents and families. Many of you have more than one child to organize and supervise as they work through assignments and activities and this can feel stressful as you are likely also managing house/family duties and/or also working from home. It is a lot to manage, I know. Please know that we are all very understandable at school. Do what you can, take the opportunity to work through what has been provided if this works for you, reach out to teachers for support and make things manageable for your family. We are understanding and want to ensure that the wellness of our students and families is taken care of first and foremost.







'Playground Pals' Activities – Primary Students at Lunchtime Prior to Spring Break

Meanwhile, I send all of you best wishes from us at Confed. We are thinking of you all and hope you are keeping well. Please stay in touch with us and connect directly with your child's teachers or myself if you have questions or concerns. I hope we can be in contact regularly and navigate through this together.

We look forward to seeing you all in person when we finally return to school.

Stay healthy and safe.

Yours sincerely,

Helena Readman







Emily Carr Study - Division 7

Report Cards

Please note that our second term report cards should have gone home to you on **April 9th** via email attachments. As always, please connect directly with your child's teacher if you have any questions regarding your child's progress.

Clubs and Teams

Due to our virtual learning situation this term, all clubs and teams will be suspended until further notice. Please see headings below for some club information.









Modern Day Mona Lisa - Division 4

Boomerang Club

Ms. Ishii and Ms. McKenna worked with members of the Boomerang Club last term gathering ideas and organizing the Pink Day Community Gathering. This was a fun way the share the work in classrooms and the continued work this club is doing to share kindness and compassion. This club also organized and ran 'Litter-less Lunch Week' during the week of March 9th which was a great success. Many students and families adjusted to the litter-less idea and we saw a significant decrease in the amount of garbage that week. Congrats to us all!

Book Fair,

The Scholastic Book Fair took place in the school library on March 4th and 5th and raised \$1,000 for our school. Thank you to all those whom came to purchase books as well as those parents whom helped with the set-up, take down and support during the opening times. Much appreciated!







Ancient Egypt Projects – Division 2







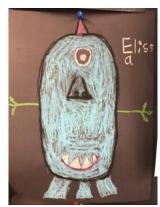
Spring Pictures - Division 4

Planning for 2020-21

We are starting to plan for next year. Although classes are not finalized until the end of the first week of September, initial planning is approaching. <u>If your family is planning to move away for the next school year, please advise the office as soon as possible.</u>







Monster Characters – Ms. Jaffer's Students

PAC NEWS

Due to the Covid 19 closures and the uncertainty that comes along with the rapidly changing environment, we had to make some quick decisions regarding the school fundraisers. PAC has decided to discontinue the following school fundraisers for this school year:

- 1. We will not be proceeding with the Memory book this year.
- 2. Spring Hot Lunch has been cancelled and Refunds and Credits have been completed.
- 3. There will not be a Plant sale this year.
- 4. There will be no Cash4clothes drive this year.
- 5. PAC meetings will be on hold until further notice.
- 6. Anyone interested in stepping forward to join the PAC executive team, please do not hesitate to reach out. Please email us at chair@confedpac.ca. Usually this process takes place in May and the positions up for nomination are:
 - Chair
 - Vice-Chair
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary

Thank you to everyone for your understanding and cooperation.

We send our positive and healthy thoughts to you all, as you navigate this time. Thank you and be well.

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/