



Confederation Park Elementary School

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December 2021 Newsletter

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Mission Statement

To honour and cultivate the development of the individual child through an enriched program that connects learning through the processes of the visual and performing arts.

Principal's Message

DECEMBER

Dear Parents,

Welcome to December! I hope this newsletter finds you all well despite managing through the recent wet weather. It has been challenging to say the least. We hope, however, that you are continuing to take advantage of being outside during our COVID times to get fresh, ventilated air and to keep active. Many of our classes continue to take students outside to carry out their curriculum studies. Classes continue to enjoy exploring in the forest areas and are learning to manage the wet and windy days like true explorers!

Our staff are currently preparing a 'Snapshot of Learning' for parents as a means of reporting for this term. These 'Snapshots' (an informal report) will provide updated information on the growth and development of your child's academic, social and emotional skills. The 'Snapshot' will only be specific in the areas of Language Arts and Math. Other subjects will not be specifically mentioned although general comments on your child as a learner including comments on work habits, student engagement and behaviour will be made. Some teachers will also accompany this 'Snapshot' with an electronic or binder portfolio, teacher blog or 'Freshgrade' posts, and these additions will share specific examples of this term's work.



Felt Poppies – Division 4

We are hopeful that this 'Snapshot' will provide you with necessary information as to your child's development and growth this term. There will be reference to the Proficiency Scale language within the Math and Language Arts comments. This is, therefore, attached below as a reference

should you need any further explanation. As always please continue to connect directly with your child's teacher if you have questions.

Proficiency Scale

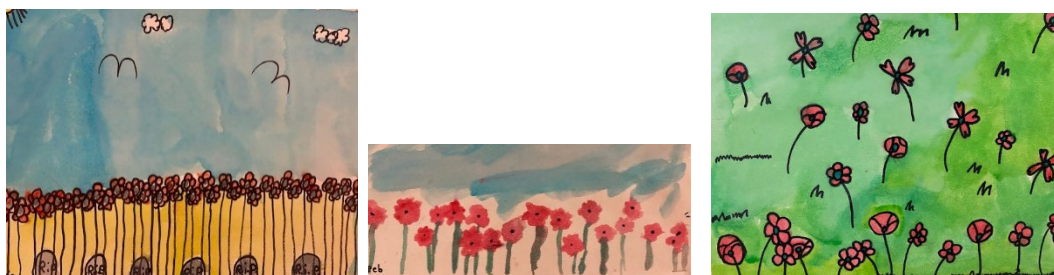
Emerging	Developing	Applying	Extending
The student demonstrates an initial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected meaning.	The student demonstrates a partial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a complete understanding of and can apply the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.	The student demonstrates a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.

We have now decided on the design for our new playground. Teachers have worked with their students to share different apparatus designs and had them vote on their most popular pieces. We had our final school-wide vote last week and Design #2 was the winner! We are now in touch with the vendor to finalize the structure ready for the installation this summer. We are extremely excited about this new addition to our playground, and we are sure the students will welcome the new playground with much enthusiasm.

Hoping you stay warm and dry during this wet and windy month.

Yours sincerely,

Helena Readman



Painted Poppies – Division 7

Hip Hop Residency

We are excited to welcome Sue Cejalvo Howse as our Hip Hop resident dance instructor this month. Sue has worked with Confed students before and is looking forward to meeting them once again and further developing their dance skills. Each class will receive five Hip Hop dance sessions with Sue during the week of December 6th - 10th and this will accumulate in a filming of each dance that will be available for the school and parent community. We are sorry that we cannot invite you all into school to watch these performances in person, but we will send home a link for you to watch the dances in the comfort of your home during the week of December 14th.

Parent Coffee Morning

Thank you to those parents who joined the virtual Parent Coffee Morning on November 16th. The focused topic was 'Executive Functioning'. Some videos were shown, and hand-outs were provided for those interested parents. It is always good to connect so I am hopeful we can organize another Coffee Morning sometime next term with our focus subject to be determined.

Lockdown Emergency Drill

Our school took part in a Lockdown drill on the afternoon of November 25th. This involved the closing of windows, doors, and blinds and had staff and students lay low in their classrooms with no noise. All classrooms were checked for security locking once the drill was in progress and students remained in place until notice came that the drill was over. The drill went smoothly, and all classes participated with full cooperation.



Bats in a Colourful Sky – Division 8

Student Absences

If your child is going to be late or away for any reason, please call the school office before 9:00 a.m. to confirm their absence. You can also leave a message on the answering machine with the following information:

1. Child's first and last name (**please spell last name**)
2. Teacher and Division
3. Absent or late (please give anticipated arrival time)

If we do not hear from you, we will call home to ensure your child's safety.



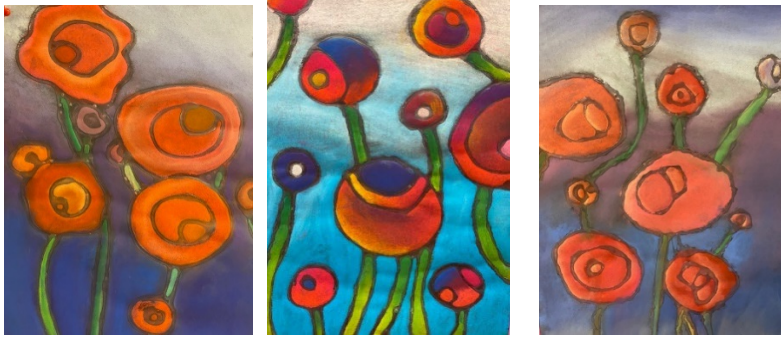
'Night-time Sky' - Division 3

Student Late Arrivals:

If your child arrives late at school, please wait outside the front of the school with your child and phone the main office at: 604-296-9010. You will be asked to answer the Student Daily Health-Check questions. A staff member will then come and let your child into the building. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sick Students

For the protection of your child and other children, please keep your children at home if they show signs of illness. Students will need to be kept home until they are no longer infectious and can answer 'No' to all Student Daily Health Check questions found in the Burnaby School District – Stage 2 Return to School Health and Safety Handbook COVID-19 found [here](#). Let the school secretary know of your child's absence. For more information, visit www.fraserhealth.ca



Glue and Chalk Pastel Poppies - Division 1

Twitter Account

Did you know that Confederation Park has a Twitter account? Follow us at **ConfederationP2**

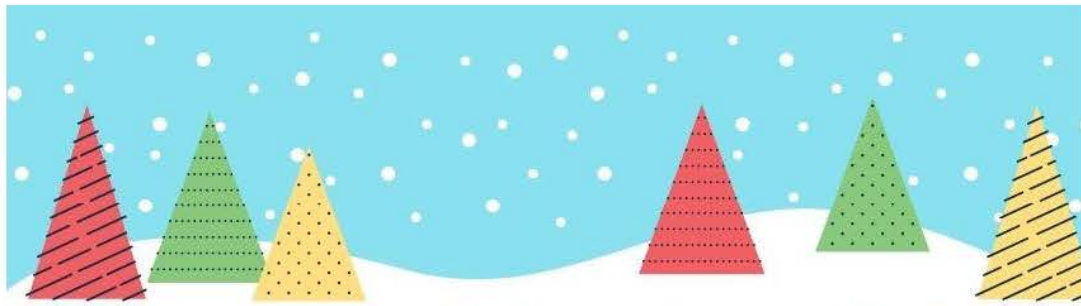
Save the Dates

- * Hip Hop Residency – Week of December 6th
- * 'Snapshot of Learning' Report sent home – Friday, December 10th
- * Hip Hop Performance Film – available week of December 13th (Remote link to be sent home)
- * Last Day of Term – Friday, December 17th
- * First Day of Second Term – Tuesday, January 4th

DECEMBER



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Happy Holidays from PAC!

December 2021



UPDATE: PURDYS CHOCOLATES

Thank you to everyone who supported our Purdys fundraiser. We raised \$960 which will go towards workshops, special programs, and enrichment for our kids.

As soon as we have an update on the December classroom distribution date, we will notify families. Your chocolates will be packed into a bag for your child to bring home.

NOTE: If you forgot to include your child's name on your order, you can log back into your Purdys fundraising account to double check. Nothing fancy required -- just add child's name, teacher/division in brackets beside your account contact info. If your social network was kind enough to place orders, they can do the same to their contact info.

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/> Campaign #21098

Alternatively, you can also send us an email: ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com with the contact name that was used on the Purdys site, and the child/teacher/division name the order should be distributed to.

UPDATE: SPIRIT WEAR

This year's Confed spirit wear is expected to arrive the week of **December 6**. Orders will be individually packaged for classroom distribution.

NEXT PAC MEETING



We will hold our next PAC meeting on **Wednesday January 26** from 7pm to about 8pm on Zoom. (We always end on time, or earlier.) Everyone is invited to listen-in from the comfort of your home, and if you have questions, feel free to type them into the chat if you're unable to use your mic.

Minutes will be posted on the Confed Park school website under the Parent Information tab
→ PAC Minutes.

Zoom link for all 2021/2022 PAC meetings:

<https://bcit.zoom.us/j/64207820104?pwd=SmtWa3RoMFZTRDlpVmNzVkFRWktvQT09>

Meeting ID: 642 0782 0104 Password: 653616



ONLINE COMMUNITY

Join our PAC-moderated private Facebook group and stay connected virtually with the parent/guardian community at Confed. We use the space for reminders, to organize volunteers, discuss PAC-related topics, and ask questions. Request to join the group by answering the security questions: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/confedpac/>

ALMOST-EFFORTLESS FUNDRAISERS

Feel free to share with your network to support Confed kids and school programs. The following companies donate a percentage of the sales back to Confed.



COBS DOUGHRAISER

Cobs Bread in Kensington Square: mention **"Confed Park Elementary"** before you place your order. Thanks to everyone who has been doing this! We recently received a cheque from them this term.





TRU EARTH

Tru Earth laundry strips & other eco-friendly products:

<https://fundraising.tru.earth/confederationpark>



GIFT CARDS via Fundscrip

Gift cards are mailed to you from Fundscrip. Consider using them for your grocery shopping or gas purchases, and help the school at the same time. <https://www.fundscrip.com/support-a-group> Enter

Confed's code: **MP2NQL**

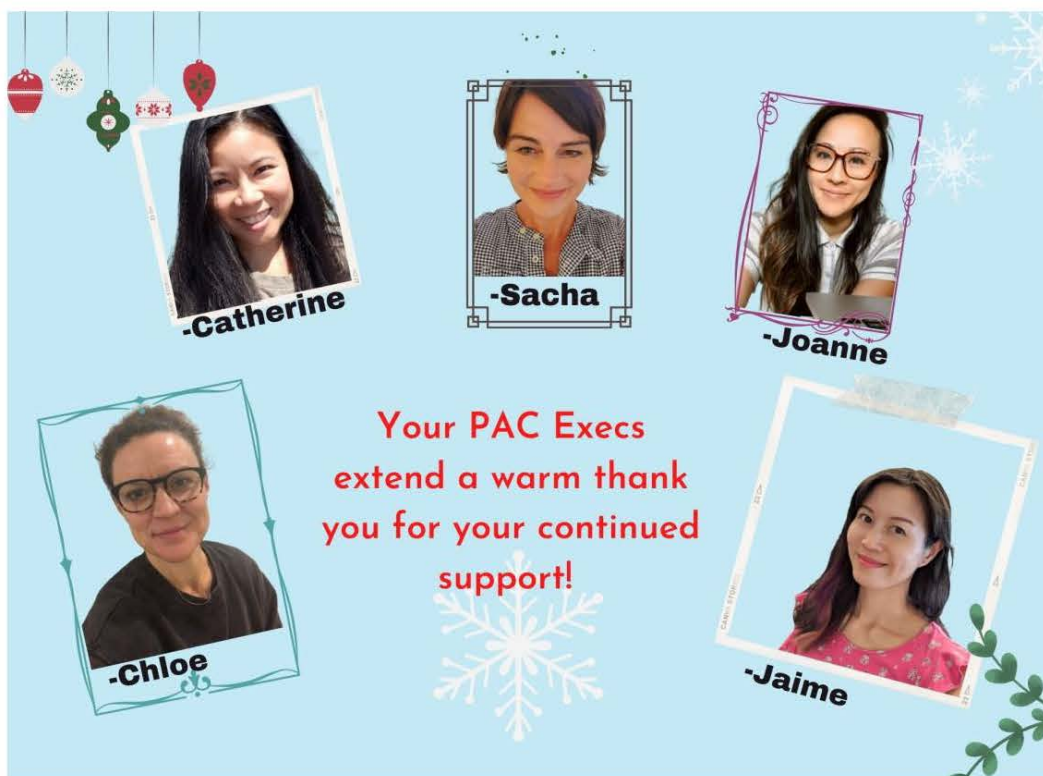


RETURN-IT DEPOTS

Bag-up your empties and donate your deposits to Confed. Use the self-serve kiosk at your neighbourhood depot and enter the school's old fax

number to print a label for your bags: **604-664-8668**

Finally, if you have questions or ideas, please do not hesitate to contact us on Facebook, or by email: ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com Have a wonderful rest of the month and best wishes for 2022!



COMMUNITY NEWS

**BURNABY MINOR
LACROSSE CLUB
INVITES YOU TO JOIN
US FOR THE 2022
MINOR BOX LACROSSE
SEASON**



**REGGIE
OPENS
DECEMBER 1,
2021**

**AGES: BOYS 5-16/GIRLS 5-21
VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR
INFO/UPDATES
WWW.BURNABYLACROSSE.COM**

New Players

New players ALWAYS pay the early bird fee and can purchase a new lacrosse stick for just \$25.00 from the registrar.

2022 In Person Registration Date

Copeland Sunday Jan 16th 12:00 to 3:30 pm

Copeland Arena 3676 Kensington Ave, Burnaby
(Lakeview Room off the main lobby)

New Players **MUST** email the registrar their Care Card, Birth Certificate, and 2 proof of residency (utility bill, property tax, driver's license)

Payment by Visa/MasterCard/American Express or E-Transfer (or cash in person).

NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED

If you are a non-grandfathered, out of district player, **DO NOT** register online. You must register and apply for a release with your home club. LMMLC places all out of district players that are not grandfathered with a club.

Jumpstart or Kidsport – If you are applying for financial assistance please email the registrar.

BOYS -- Born 2006 to 2017

GIRLS -- Born 2014 to 2017 play with the boys in Mini-Tyke & Tyke divisions

GIRLS – Born 2001 to 2013 play on girls' only teams in their own divisions with limited contact rules (place and push only)

Birth year is Jan to Dec so player can be 4 years of age when starting the season



BOX LACROSSE

Lacrosse season runs March to July
CANADA'S NATIONAL SUMMER SPORT

For more information contact:

Club Registrar: Susan Kirkby 604-312-6181

Email is preferred registrarbmlc@gmail.com

Website: www.burnabylacrosse.com

Rep Tryouts for Novice & up boys only commence in February 2022.

Players must be registered & pay a \$40 fee online when registering to tryout.

Early Bird fees are on or before January 21st. Cutoff for early bird rate is 11:59pm Jan 21. Register early to save \$40!

2022 Fees

Boys & Girls

On or before Jan 21/After Jan 21

Mini-Tyke (2016-17)	\$170 / \$210
Tyke (2014-15)	\$230 / \$270
Novice (2012-13)	\$275 / \$315
Peewee (2010-11)	\$285 / \$325
Bantam (2008-09)	\$300 / \$340
Midget (2006-07)	\$310 / \$350
Junior Girls (2001-2005)	\$310 / \$350

Family Rate – families with 3 or more players receive \$100.00 refund.

Full Time Goalies – Receive 50% discount on fee
All registrations include shorts, team photos, free admission to Junior and Senior A Lakers home games, use of jersey and BCLA insurance.

Returning Players

RETURNING PLAYERS REMEMBER TO REGISTER ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 21, 2022 FOR EARLY BIRD RATE

2022 Online Registration opens
December 1, 2021

To Register Online

Please follow the online registration instructions on our club website www.burnabylacrosse.com on or after December 1, 2021. We accept credit cards and E-transfer online. Cash will be accepted at the new player registration date.

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Refund Policy

Up to Jan 21 at 11:59pm – full refund less \$50 admin fee

Between Jan 21 at 11:59pm and April 1 at 11:59pm – 50% refund

After April 1 at 11:59pm – No refund

If you have used lacrosse equipment to donate to our low-income families, please bring to any in person registration date or drop off at 4607 Irmin St, Burnaby. Thank you!

2021 Winter Programs

GET A HEAD START ON PLANNING WINTER PROGRAMS!

Program details now available, so you can be ready for when registration opens in early December. [Burnaby.ca/Active](https://burnaby.ca/Active)

Priority Registration for Burnaby Residents

Opens at 10am on the following dates:

- » December 6 | All swim programs
- » December 7 | Skate & recreation programs
- » December 8 | Arts & heritage programs at all facilities

General Registration for Everyone

Opens at 10am on December 10:
Registration for all programs open to the general public

Recreation Centres

BONSOR	604-297-4597
BONSOR 55+	604-297-4580
CG BROWN	604-297-4520
CAMERON	604-297-4452
CHRISTINE SINCLAIR	604-320-2222
CONFEDERATION	604-294-1936
EDMONDS	604-297-4838
EILEEN DAILLY	604-298-7946
WILLINGDON	604-297-4526

Arenas

BILL COPELAND	604-297-4521
KENSINGTON	604-297-4535

Cultural Facilities

BURNABY ART GALLERY	604-297-4422
BURNABY VILLAGE MUSEUM	604-297-4565
SHADBOLT CENTRE	604-297-4440

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Have fun, be active, and learn new things. Winter programs include:

- » Pro-D Day and Spring Break camps for kids
- » Parent and Preschooler Sports, Play to Learn Preschool and Busy Bees
- » Weight Training for Youth, Lifeguard Certification, Youth Leadership Certificate Program
- » Printmaking and Pinot, watercolour painting, dance, Boxing for Fitness, TRX® Suspension Training, cycling for adults
- » Line Dance, Tai Chi, Visual Arts, Active Aging Fitness and more for seniors
- » Intro to Backpacking, Outdoor Photography, or Family Workshops in the Park for outdoor enthusiasts
- » Skating, swimming and music lessons for all ages



Be in the Know

Be the first to find out about programs and activities at our recreation facilities. Sign up for **eNews**, or follow us on:

- recreationburnaby
- @burnabyparksrec
- burnabyrecreation



2022 Feature Programs

GET YOUR START HERE:

WE'RE HIRING



Start a rewarding career with the City of Burnaby and make a difference in your community. We're hiring recreation clerks, recreation leaders, aquatic staff and building service workers.

Be a part of providing facilities and services that support a safe, connected, inclusive, healthy and dynamic community.

» [Burnaby.ca/Careers](https://burnaby.ca/Careers)



Happy
Holidays
from the
City of Burnaby

There are plenty of ways to have fun with family and friends this holiday season.

Heritage Christmas at the Burnaby Village Museum kicks off November 27.

Enjoy holiday lights found throughout Burnaby, or other local events.

» [Burnaby.ca/HolidayFun](https://burnaby.ca/HolidayFun)

How to Find Programs Online

If you need to create an account, contact any Burnaby recreation centre or cultural facility. To browse programs:

1. Visit [Burnaby.ca/Active](https://burnaby.ca/Active), and select the age group you're interested in.
2. Use the "Complex" filter in the top right to search programs by location.
3. Click on the "show courses" button of the program you're interested in to see all the details.

TIPS & TRICKS

- » You can also search for programs under Advance Search.
- » Enter a description under "Containing Keyword". Examples of keywords are "swim," "yoga," "dance" and "painting".
- » You can also filter results by selecting dates and days of the week.
- » Once you find programs you're interested in, note the program name so that you can find it easily again when registration opens early December.

HOW TO REGISTER ONLINE

It's easy. If you need to create an account, contact any Burnaby recreation, arts or cultural facility.

1. Find the course you want to register for.
2. Select the course you want and click "Add".
3. Login with your client number and family PIN.
4. Click on "Go to Checkout", and pay for your course.
5. If you want a receipt emailed to you, click on "My Account" at the top right of the page and click "Thank You" (under "Current / Future Registrations").

The screenshot shows the Burnaby.ca/Active website interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Start', 'Programs', and 'Memberships', along with a 'Cart (0)' button. Below the tabs, there is a 'Barcode Search' section with a text input field for 'Enter barcode number'. To the left, an 'Advanced Search' sidebar is highlighted with a red circle. It includes a 'Currently searching:' dropdown set to 'Adults', a 'Containing Keyword' text field, a 'Start date between' date range selector, a 'Days of the Week' section with checkboxes for 'All', 'Mon', 'Tue', 'Wed', 'Thu', 'Fri', 'Sat', and 'Sun', and a 'Registrant's age' section with radio buttons for 'Yrs.' and 'Mos.'. The main content area displays a list of programs. The first program, 'Abstract Painting: Form & Texture', is highlighted with a red circle. It includes a description, the instructor's name (Karen Nguyen), and a 'Show Courses' button. Below it are two more programs: 'Access - Social Club' and 'Acrylic Painting - The Palette Knife', each with a 'Show Courses' button. At the bottom, there is a program titled 'Active Aging Fitness Cameron'.