



## Confederation Park Elementary Education Through The Arts April, 2022

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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

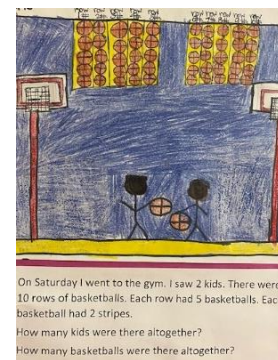
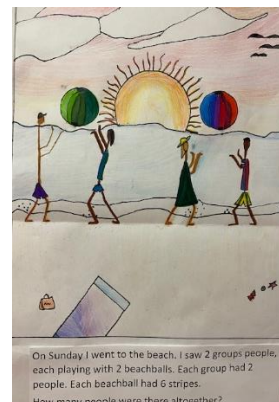
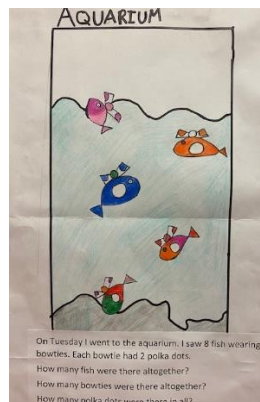


Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school and welcome to spring! I trust everyone had a restful Spring Break and enjoyed some quality time with family and friends. We are now into our third term of the year and I am sure that this will prove to be another busy time for learning at Confed.

Our school-wide goal continues in Math this year. The goal reads as follows;  
*'Students will experience increased joy in and perseverance when participating in mathematical activities, explore with intrigue and interest, and consider themselves a mathematician in a positive light.'*

In order to work on this goal, we have participated in regular check-in conversations on staff including sharing ideas through our Math Committee. Ideas have included setting weekly math questions for reflection and conversation, math questions over the morning announcements and playing math games during the week based on math facts. Students have enjoyed participating in these activities and even creating their own explorations for others to try out. See below a few examples of these from students in Division 1.



## Math Explorations – Division 1

Another school-wide initiative we are exploring this term is a painted mural which will be installed at the front of the school to the right of the Pandora Street entrance. We have organized nine large panels to be delivered to the school (one for each division) and we are soon going to begin a large mural based on the work of Jackson Pollock. The painting of this mural will involve every child in the school and will be a thoughtful process of layering paint over paint, using colour schemes that compliment each other and using various body movements and techniques to apply the colours in turn. We look forward to seeing this come together over the next few months and hope it will be installed by the end of the school year. Looking forward to sharing this with you later this term.

For now, I hope that you and your loved ones are well, and I wish you all continued good health as we move into our spring season ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Helena Readman



## Balanced Ecosystem in a Pond - Division 6

### Student-Led and 3-Way Conferences

Our Portfolio Shares and conferences took place before Spring Break. We hope that you were able to see the growth in your child's learning so far this year and celebrate their achievements. Please continue to connect directly with your child's teacher if you have any questions. Thank you for taking part in this process.

## Boomerang Club

Ms. Ishii continues to work with grade 6 and 7 students in the Boomerang Club to promote kindness and compassion. This club is currently advertising and promoting donations to Diabetes Canada. This fundraiser hopes to promote awareness and build funds to support the millions of Canadians living with diabetes. Please show your support by helping the Boomerang Club reach their fundraising goal. Info found on our school website. #LetsEndDiabetes now! Thank you in advance for your support!

### Registration for 2022-2023 school year

Registration for 2022-2023 for Burnaby public schools has started.

Full details are available at <https://burnabyschools.ca/registration/>

For information on Cross-District transfers, please [click here](#).

For information on Out-Of-District transfers, please [click here](#).

## Kindergarten Registrations

We are encouraging children with the birth year in **2017** to register for Kindergarten now, as seats are filling up fast.

For registration information and link, please visit: <https://burnabyschools.ca/registration/>



### Study of Maud Lewis – Division 3

#### **Students Entering Grade 8**

Current Grade 7 students will automatically be pre-registered for Grade 8 at the secondary school within the designated attendance area where the student resides within Burnaby. Grade 7 students who do not reside in the attendance area for the secondary school they wish to attend must submit a Cross-district or Out-of-district Transfer Application in order to be considered for admission to that secondary school. You can find these forms at <https://burnabyschools.ca/registration-categories/#studenttransfers>

#### **Summer School**

Burnaby School District is excited to offer outstanding summer programming for Burnaby Schools students. With more than 8000 students typically attending, we've worked hard to provide amazing learning opportunities for all.

Summer Session Elementary Registration begins **Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 10am.**

For information and to register, [click here](#).

For the Summer Session booklet, [click here](#)

To register, you will need your child's Personal Education Number (PEN) which can be found on the top left of your child's report card.



### Lines to Illustrate a Weather Scene - 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.

#### **Student Late Arrivals**

If your child arrives to school late, please ensure to do the daily health-check for your child then please take your child to the outside door of their classroom and knock. Please wait with your

child and phone the main office at 604-296-9010 to let the office know they have arrived. – Thank you

### **Students Leaving Early**

If you will be picking up your child early, please let the Teacher know in advance if possible. When you arrive please pick up your child at the outside classroom door and phone the main office at 604-296-9010 to notify the Secretary your child will be leaving.



### **Spring Blossoms – Division 9**

#### **Sick Students**

For the protection of your child and other children, please keep your children at home if they show signs of illness.

Please keep your child 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](http://www.fraserhealth.ca)

#### **Planning for 2022-23**

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. **If your family is planning to move away for the next school year, please advise the office as soon as possible.**

#### **Twitter Account**

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



### **Cherry Blossom – Division 6**








#### **Save the Dates**

- \*Easter Friday – April 15<sup>th</sup> – Holiday**
- \*Easter Monday – April 18<sup>th</sup> - Holiday**
- \*Earth Day – April 22<sup>nd</sup>**
- \*Pro-D Day – Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> – No school for students**
- \*PAC Meeting 7PM (remote)**
- \*PAC Plant Sale Delivery – Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> 2pm-4pm**

# April



# 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6 	7	8	9
10	11	12 Summer Session Registration Begin	13	14	15 Good Friday	16 
17	18 	19	20	21	22 	
24	25 PRO-D (no school for students)	26	27 PAC Meeting @ 7pm	28 	29	30

# **PAC Newsletter**



## **PLANT SALE: now until Friday April 15th**

Confed's annual plant sale is now open for business.

Please place your orders through our MunchALunch link **before Friday April 15.**

Payment is by credit card:

<https://munchalunch.com/login.aspx>

If you are new to Confed, MunchALunch.com is our usual site for listing hot lunch items and taking credit card payments. Create an account by selecting your child's teacher and division from the list, enter your contact details to stay in touch, and then click on the Fundraising link to see what plants are available this year.

## **PICK-UP DAY:**

- Friday April 29th, 2pm-4pm in the north parking lot.
- Unclaimed orders will be left in parking lot over the weekend.

## **CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR FRIDAY APRIL 29TH**

We are looking for volunteers to help on Friday April 29, plant delivery day for either shift:

- **12PM - 2PM:** Unload plants from the truck; organize the orders for pick-up.
- **2PM - 4PM:** Help hand-out orders; collect payment for extra items.

Please email us if you can lend a hand – green thumbs not necessary!

We can be reached at [ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com](mailto:ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com), through our **Facebook page**

@ConfedPAC, or by getting in touch with Confed's plant sale coordinator **Tammy at (604) 807-2875.**

## **OPENINGS ON PAC EXEC COMMITTEE FOR 2022/2023**

For the 2022/2023 school year, there will be a few openings on the executive committee.

Please fill out the following online nomination form if you are interested in one of the following roles: <https://forms.gle/1Y7c3sEixczBAW7a8>

### **WHY THIS IS URGENT**

PACs need a Treasurer to qualify for the government's Community Gaming Grant, and provide financial transparency and accountability.

If we do not have a volunteer for Treasurer for 2022/2023, we will not be allowed to accept the government grant of approximately \$4000, nor can we run hot lunch.

The members of the exec committee do the bulk of our communicating and organizing online when possible because everyone has full-time commitments elsewhere. No experience necessary — just the desire to help behind the scenes.

### ***The following roles are open for 2022/2023:***

#### **Treasurer (1-2 volunteers could share the duties)**

Time commitment: 3-4 hours a month (requires some banking duties at our branch near the school to deposit cheques)

- Responsible for PAC payments, reimbursements, and deposits (usually related to hot lunch, fundraisers, and fund disbursement)
- Maintains financial records (eg. spreadsheet of PAC expenses/funds).
- Provides term-end / year-end reports.
- Assists in revising the budget for the following school year (presented at May PAC meeting)
- Re-applies for PAC Gaming Grant and submits follow-up documentation by deadline.
- Provides financial update at PAC meetings

#### **Secretary (1-2 volunteers could share the duties)**

Time commitment: 1-2 hours a month

- Responsible for taking minutes at PAC meetings (we have 6 a year) on Tuesday evenings.
- Forwarding draft minutes for final check before they're shared at next meeting and posted publicly to Confed website
- Help coordinate PAC events or activities, if possible.

***Please consider joining us!***

Chair: Jaime Tong

Vice-Chairs: Catherine Woo, Joanne Ma

DPAC Rep: Kathleen Pennykid

Communications: Terry Chui

Outgoing Treasurer: Sacha Thompson

Outgoing Secretary: Chloe Perron

**Have questions?** Message us on the Facebook group or email [ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com](mailto:ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com)

## **EASTER PURDYS FUNDRAISER**

Thank you for your support of the Purdys Easter fundraiser. Chocolates were sent home with your child on March 30. We hope you enjoy your orders.

## **NEXT PAC MEETING**

Our next PAC meeting will be on **Wednesday April 27th** from 7pm to about 8pm on Zoom. (We always end on time, or earlier).

Please join us as we hear updates from the principal and PAC. Everyone is invited to listen-in from the comfort of your home, and if you have questions or topics of discussion, please bring them to the Q&A portion.

Minutes from previous meetings are posted on the Confed Park school website under the Parent Information tab → PAC Minutes.

Note: The AGM will be on May 25<sup>th</sup> – and we'll present a recap of the year and confirm who will be on the PAC executive committee for 2022/2023.

### **Zoom link for all 2021/2022 PAC meetings:**

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

Meeting ID: 642 0782 0104 Password: 653616

If you have questions or ideas, please do not hesitate to contact us on Facebook, or by email: [ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com](mailto:ConfedParkPAC@gmail.com)



## Welcome to Confederation Park Spring Plant Sale!

Baskets, bedding plants, herbs and vegetables.

Ordering: March 25<sup>th</sup> – April 15<sup>th</sup>

<https://secure.munchalunch.com/apps/munch/login.aspx>



Delivery to Confederation Park Elementary School Parking Lot April 29<sup>th</sup>

Pick-up between 2pm-4pm in North Parking Lot. Orders not picked up will be left in parking lot over the weekend.

Questions or want to volunteer? Call Tammy (604) 807-2875

### 12" Sun Basket

Million Bells  
Mixed colours  
**\$30.00**



### Marigolds

(sun)  
36 plants per flat  
Yellow or Orange  
**\$20.00**



### Geraniums

(sun)  
4 inch pots  
Red, Pink, or Salmon  
**\$3.50**



### 12" Sun Basket

Large full basket  
Mix of flowering, trailing plants  
**\$30.00**



### Petunias

(sun)  
36 plants per flat  
White, Red, Purple, Pink  
**\$20.00**



### 10" Herb

Rail Planter includes  
Basil, Parsley, Dill, Chives  
and Sage  
**\$15.00**



### 12" Shade Basket

Large full basket  
Mix of fuchsia and other shade loving plants  
**\$30.00**



### Mixed Snapdragons

(sun)  
36 plants per flat  
**\$20.00**



### Tomatoes

4 inch pots  
Beefsteak, Roma or Cherry  
**\$3.25**



### 12" Shade Basket

Fuchsia basket  
red/purple or red/white  
**\$30.00**



### Non-Stop Begonias

(shade)  
4 inch pot  
Red, Pink, Yellow or Orange  
**\$4.00**



### English Cucumbers

4 inch pots  
**\$3.25**



## 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**

## **KEEP IN TOUCH WITH PAC**



#### **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/>

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## Girls Group!

Grades 5-7

Girls rule! Come hang out with your fellow pre-teen Summit girls or anyone that identifies as a girl in this fun-filled program where an experienced leader engages participants in sports, cooking, arts and crafts, and other exciting activities at Summit Youth Centre. Final day will have an awesome out trip!

Register online through webreg, or visit/call any Burnaby Community Centre.

Participant profile and waiver forms must be completed and returned to Raj at Summit Youth Centre.

**6 sessions, April 22—May 27**

**Fridays from 3 – 5pm**

**\$30.00, Barcode: 654572**

Summit Youth Centre  
200 Willingdon Avenue  
604-268-1369

