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At Second Street Community School, we are committed to be a respectful, joyful, and safe learning environment where we all strive to be our best.

Dear Families,

What a whirlwind Month September was! The excitement and the nervousness of the new year and new classes is over and the students have settled in beautifully. Our new Kindergarten students have taken up residence on the playground and are learning how to share and play with a whole new group of friends. At the other end of the spectrum are our grade seven students who spent the first week participating in team building activities and have already started talking about camp that is still nine months away.

The month ended with our Terry Fox run where the students raised an astounding \$1000. The generosity and excitement of the students for the fund raising, the run and of course the opportunity to see 9 teachers hit with pies was heartwarming to be a part of.

This month will be no quieter with bike riding, ArtStarts, 3rd Annual Celebrating Aboriginal Culture within the Community and Hallowe'en all taking center stage.



At Second Street the safety of our students is always on our minds. We take care to ensure the classes and the grounds are safe and positive environments for our students to be in. One area that we continue to struggle with is in the parking lots off 1st Street and 17Th Avenue. These parking lots are congested and difficult to navigate. We have students running between cars to get to the school. If it is necessary for you to drive your child to school, we are asking parents to park on the streets adjacent to the school and walk their children to the school. Please do not drive into the parking lots.



Jeff Hutton - Principal

STUDENT LATES and ABSENCES



Please call the office at 604-296-9029 and press #2 to leave a message on our absentee line if your child is going to be absent due to an illness or appointment. As part of our student safety policy, phone calls are made to every student who is not accounted for after morning attendance. If your child is late for school have them report to the office for a late pass so you don't receive a phone call. I appreciate your cooperation in advance.

WHEN TO KEEP YOUR SICK CHILD HOME

For the protection of your child, as well as other children, please keep your child home if he/she:

- Has a fever
- Is too sick to take part in all normal school activities
- Has a suspected or known communicable disease (ie: strep throat, pink eye, chicken pox, or any other undiagnosed rash). Keep them home until they are no longer infectious.

Please let the school know your child's symptoms.

LEAVE VALUABLE ITEMS AT HOME

Students should not routinely be bringing money or other valuables to school. It is highly unfortunate, but sometimes money or a prized item disappears. The school will not be responsible for the cost of replacement of the lost item.

From time to time your child may be asked to bring money from home for specific, additional school projects or activities such as field trips, lunch programs, snack sales or ticket sales.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL – PLEASE JOIN US!

Our first **Community Council meeting is Tuesday**, **October 3rd from 6:30 - 8:00** in the Community Room. Come and meet other parents, hear what's happening at school, have your voice heard and support your children. Join the Principal, Jeff Hutton and Community School Coordinator, Gayle Beavil. Childcare is available, too! Please call or text Gayle at 604 836 3290 if you need childcare.

BREAKFAST & HOMEWORK CLUB - FREE



The breakfast & homework club has started! At 8:15 am in the Community Room, students requiring homework assistance and breakfast are invited to drop in and receive a nutritious meal while receiving help from Ms. Moore, an Educational Assistant at the school.

TERRY FOX FUNDRAISER

This year for our annual Terry Fox Fundraiser we collected 'loonies' and 'toonies' with a goal of \$800.00 for this great cause that this young man started fundraising over 35 years ago. If the goal was reached a handful of brave 2nd Street staff volunteered to have pies thrown at them by randomly drawn students.

Thank you to all students and families who donated to our annual Terry Fox Run...we passed our goal and raised \$1,003.26! The pie throwing was also a splendid success!



If purchasing a warm coat for winter will be difficult for your family, please **call or text Gayle Beavil at 604 836 3290 by October 13th.** Please tell her your child's name and your child's teacher.

The Coats for Kids Truck will be coming to 2nd Street on **October 30th**, and Gayle will take the children onto the truck in order to get them a coat.

This is for families who cannot otherwise afford a warm winter coat for their children.



To everyone in our school community. This is the 15^s year of the Rotary Coats For Kids program, and with the new school year upon us, we want to ensure that all children receive warm coats before the cold season is here. To assist with this great program our school will be collecting gently used coats for other Burnaby children.

The collection of coats and the delivery dates to schools are from Monday, October 16th to Friday November 24th 2017. Our goal is to collect from those families who have a new or slightly used winter coat with a hood, and to redistribute to children in our community who don't have access to a warm winter jacket.

Regards,

Ernie Kashima

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> www.burnabymetrotownrotary.org | <u>burnabymetrotownrotary@gmail.com</u> P.O.Box 266, 105-7655 Edmonds Street, Burnaby, BC V3N 0C3 Meeting Location: Firefighters Public House, 6515 Bonsor Avenue, Burnaby, BC

HALLOWE'EN SAFETY

It's trick or treat time again! Here are some tips from your school health nurse for a fun and safe Hallowe'en.

How to make your costume safe?

- Make sure that drivers can see your child. Use costumes with reflective tape and give each child a flashlight.
 - Make sure your child can see. Use face paint instead of masks.
 - To prevent falling, costumes should not be longer than down to your child's ankle.

How to make trick or treating safe?

- Children should stay in well lit areas and only visit homes that have their outside lights turned on. Children should never go inside any house.
- If you are driving on Hallowe'en night, please be extra careful. Children are excited at Hallowe'en and may forget some of the safety rules.
- Before your children eat their candy, make sure you examine it. Throw out any treats that are not wrapped.

An adult should always supervise younger children



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Immigrant Women's Support Group

Finding yourself feeling down and missing your relatives?

Feeling lost in Canadian Society?

Come and meet other immigrant woman and learn about the community, education system, employment, healthcare, etc. while sharing your stories in a safe and supportive environment. Practice your English and meet new friends.

Free childcare, snacks and bus tickets available

- When: Wednesdays, 12:30-2:30 pm Starting October 4, 2017 For 10 weeks,
- Where: Armstrong Elementary School 8757 Armstrong Ave, Burnaby

Facilitator: Maya Mihajlovic

To register: Call Gayle at 604 836 3290





Healthy Kids Fair

0-5 yrs with a caregiver

Thursday, October 5 9:30-11:30am Edmonds Community Centre Free Admission! Join us for a fun morning with your child and discover what WE can do to have healthier kids!

Children need to be accompanied by an adult. All adults need to be accompanied by a child.

Come meet and chat with community health professionals about your child's growth and development and receive information on vision, speech, dental, health and nutrition.

Visit the displays, police car, fire engine, face painting and art station, healthy snack room and much more. There are so many activities for your preschooler to see and do, you won't be able to keep up!

Call 604-297-4893 for more information.

Edmonds Community Centre 7433 Edmonds Street, Burnaby

