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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.

September 11, 2018

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! Students met their new classes yesterday and the energy level was fantastic. While visiting classes, I saw the range of community building activities that were helping to make students feel comfortable and connect with friends new and old.

Many of our classes are combined grade classes. Please read the bulletin <u>Here</u> from the Burnaby school district for more information.

Our school has grown significantly again this year and we are up to 18 divisions and a total of 399 students. We are welcoming quite a few new faces on our staff as well. We hope your children will enjoy their time with:

Ms. de Keruzec (gr. 1/2) Ms. Finlay (Library) Ms. Ho (Library) Ms. Bosello (Councellor) Mr. Herd (Connect Worker) Ms. Apor (LSS/ELL) Ms. Ayisi-Nyarko (LSS/ELL) Ms. Renner (Grade 6/7 with Ms. Holliday) Ms Bains (EA) Ms Chan (EA) Ms. Chahal (EA) Ms. Brown (Band) Ms. Finlayson (gr. 1) is on a maternity leave and is planing to join us in December

We hope your children enjoy the school year with many new friends and that they reach all of their goals.

J. Hutton Principal



A Note from the Community Office

Hello Second Street Community School! I am very happy to be working with this community as your Community School Coordinator. As you know, a Community School is a special place that not only has extra resources and opportunities for you and your kids, but also is a place of gathering and connection within this community.

When describing a community school, I often find myself saying that is has extended hours, extended relationships and extended services. Even more importantly than that, I like to try to ensure people understand that the curriculum is the same as other BC schools, but with the bonus of additional layers of

support and enrichment around the students and families. More opportunities! Richer opportunities to learn! Come on into the Community Office anytime. I am looking forward to meeting you. We can answer questions about resources, adult programs, after school programs, subsidies, opportunities to get involved, and more.

Yours in Community, Gayle Beavil Community School Coordinator

DID YOU KNOW THAT SECOND STREET COMMUNITY SCHOOL:

- Has **before and after school care**? We do! Come into the Community Office to find out about cost and availability.
- Has a weekly coffee/gathering time? We do! It's **CommuniTea Time!** Thursday mornings, 9:00-10:30 it the Community Room. Come and chat, share and learn with Gayle Beavil.
- Has monthly meetings for parents and community members? EVERYONE is welcome! These meetings are called **"Parent & Neighbour (Council) Meetings**" and that just means meetings to which all of our parents and community members are invited yes, even you!

At our Community Council Meetings you will:

- find out more about the school
- get to speak with the Principal and Community School Coordinator
- meet other parents and community members
- find out how you can get involved
- support your children's learning
- have coffee and treats!
- let your voice and opinions be heard and more!

Our first meeting is a Social Meeting: **THURSDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 13 @ 6:30 – 7:45** in the Community Room. We hope to see you there!

A Note from the School Office

In our continued efforts to be a 'green' school, please make sure to update any changes to your email address and phone number with the Office.

Please make note of the following dates in September:

- Wednesday, September 5 Hot Lunch Program starts
- Tuesday, September 18 First Day of StrongStart
- Monday, September 17 First Full Day of Kindergarten
- Wednesday, September 19 Welcome Back BBQ 4:30-6:00
- Friday, September 21 Professional Development Day
- Wednesday, September 26 Individual Photo Day
- Thursday, September 27 1:00 Assembly and Terry Fox Run 1:30-2:30
- Friday, September 28 Chocolate Sale Campaign BEGINS

There are many forms that are being sent home this week. Please take some time to fill them out in full and return them to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible.

To be Retained and Saved for Future Reference at Home:

- September 2018 Calendar and Important Dates to Remember for 2018/2019 School Year
- Nut Aware School Information
- Digital Responsibility Guidelines for Students (DTIS)
- Burnaby School District Code of Conduct

Lates/Absences

Lates/Absences: Please call the school at 604.296.9029 and leave a message on our absentee line to let us know if your child will be absent or late on any school day, or part of the day. Please indicate the reason and the possible duration of the absence. If a student arrives after the second bell at 9:00 am, they **MUST** report to the office to get a late slip.

