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Phone: 604-296-9029
<http://secondstreet.burnabyschools.ca>

February 2020

Principal: Mr. Jeff Hutton
Head Teacher: Ms. Lindsay Holliday
Coordinator: Ms. Gayle Beavil



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.

Welcome to February!

January was a great month here at Second Street. The students came back from the winter break eager to return to school as they missed their friends and teachers. The weather has been both snowy and wet and the forecast continues to call for similar weather. Students will still be going outside at recess and lunch so we are encouraging all students to come with proper clothing for the weather including warm jacket, boots, gloves and hats. As always, it is helpful for younger students to have a change of clothes in case they get wet.

In February, we will take time to celebrate friends, family and diversity on two special days: Family Day and Pink Shirt Day. At 2nd Street, we too are a family and community of learners, friends and colleagues. Community – a simple word, but it means so much as to how we view ourselves as a school.



The year is picking up steam and before we know it many students will be performing in our school play (April), running during track season (May) and the grade seven students will be at camp (June).

I hope your January was great as well,

Sincerely,

Jeff Hutton
Principal



GRADE 7 PARENTS

Current Grade 7 Burnaby School District students are automatically registered for Grade 8 (starting in September 2020) at their catchment area secondary school. **Students who do not live in the catchment area for the Secondary School they wish to attend, MUST submit a Cross-District or Out-of-District Transfer Application to their school of choice during the month of February. Please note, Cross-District applications require Mr. Hutton's signature. Cross-District forms should be turned in to Ms. Petruzzelli at the office for processing and signature.** If you have any questions please call the office at 604.296.9029 ext. 3.



KINDERGARTEN & CROSS DISTRICT REGISTRATION

District-wide registration for the 2020/2021 school year begins **Monday, February 3rd, 2020.**

We ask parents wishing to register their new Kindergarten students for September 2020 (children born in 2015) to come to the school's office between 10 am – 2 pm on school days. Appointments are not necessary. If you have questions, please call the office at 604-296-9029. To learn more about the *Registration Requirements* (including the documents you need

to bring with you when you register your child) please go to the Burnaby School District's website <http://www.sd41.bc.ca/registration/>

If you would like your child to attend Second Street but live outside Second Street's catchment area, please register with your catchment area school and then submit a completed Cross-District Application form (signed by your catchment school's principal) to Second Street. For more information, please contact the school office at 604-296-9029.

LATE FRENCH IMMERSION

Armstrong Elementary offers a Late French Immersion program who will be entering Grade 6 in September 2020. The Late French Immersion Program is designed for students who aren't currently enrolled in a French Immersion program and who wish to enter one. If you would like more information about the program and/or the registration process, please contact Armstrong School at 604-296-9000.

PARENT & NEIGHBOUR (COUNCIL) MEETING

These are monthly talk times for all parents and neighbors of 2nd Street Community School. Come and join Mr. Hutton, Ms. Bevil, parents and other community members at our next Parent & Neighbour (Council) Meeting in the Community Room on **Monday, February 10th from 9:15 – 10:30 am.** Enjoy coffee, tea, and treats too!

Research shows children's success in school INCREASES when parents are involved and interested.

At these meetings:

- Hear updates from our Principal, Mr. Hutton, and Community School Coordinator, Mrs. Bevil
- Join other parents and make connections. This makes the neighbourhood stronger!
- Ask questions about school and learning
- Help make decisions about what happens at the school
- Learn about community activities and resources for you and your family

COLDER WEATHER

With the colder weather upon us, we urge you to ensure your child(ren) are dressed appropriately for the weather as students are expected to be outside during recess and the lunch hour - this includes light rain conditions. Long sleeves, hats, gloves, and warm jackets would be best. If your child is not well enough to go outside at recess and lunch, they are not well enough to be at school.



SPECIAL LUNCH DAYS

A reminder that our next Pizza Day is Thursday, February 27th.



WEATHER RELATED SCHOOL CLOSURES

All schools will remain **OPEN**, unless there is heavy snowfall, damage or other circumstances (e.g. power outage) that make it impossible to operate safely. In the event there are certain schools or the entire district closed due to snow (or any other weather-related issues) announcements will be made on local radio stations by 7 a.m. on the day of the closure. Please **do not** call the radio station – tune in and listen for the announcements, or check the radio station websites.



Closure information will also be posted on the district website at www.burnabyschools.ca and on Twitter @burnabyschools (please follow us!). However, keep in mind that there may be situations where this is not possible, for example, if there are power outages or technical problems. The most reliable way to get school closure information is to listen to the local radio stations.

PLEASE NOTE: Information will only be provided on school closures. If there is no closure information, our schools are open for learning! However, the decision to send your child to school, or not, is ultimately a family decision.

For more detailed information on weather related school closures, please refer to the district's website (<https://burnabyschools.ca/winter-weather-procedures/>)



Are your Child's Immunizations Up to Date for Kindergarten?

Vaccines are a healthy choice for your child. They provide immunity and prevent disease.

Two vaccines are free for Kindergarten age children starting at age 4:

- Tdap-IPV: protects against tetanus diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough) and polio
- MMRV: protects against measles, mumps, rubella and varicella (chickenpox)

If public health does not have up to date information about your child's immunizations, you will get a letter from your local public health unit.

If you get a letter from public health, please provide a copy of your child's immunization record as soon as possible. You can:

- Take the record to your local public health unit
- Email the record to reportimmunizations@fraserhealth.ca, you can do this by emailing a photo or typing your child's record; be sure the record includes your child's full name, date of birth, sex, and personal health number (if available)
- Fax or mail the record to your local public health unit

If your child needs additional immunizations, please call your family doctor, local pharmacist (for those 5 years of age and older), or public health to book an appointment.

Visit www.fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized for a list of community vaccine providers.

To book an immunization appointment with public health call:

- 604-702-4906 (residents of Mission, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope)
- 604-476-7087 (residents in all other areas of Fraser Health) For more information: www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizations

EARLY BIRD RATE EXTENDED TO FEB.12!



BURNABY
FAMILY LIFE
A PLACE TO GO... A PLACE TO GROW!

PARENTING LEARNING EVENT 2020

MARCH 7, 2020 | 8:30 am – 4 pm | Byrne Creek Community School
bflgrowscommunity.org



RETOOL . RECONNECT . RECHARGE

A day of learning about the physical and mental well-being of children. Join us for expert presentations on anxiety, nutrition, smart screen habits, brain development and parenting with Indigenous perspective. Registration includes sessions with 6 experts, refreshments and snacks, lunch, and access to low-cost and on-site childminding.

retool – Evidence-based knowledge and practical tips for decisions that promote a connected, healthy family.

reconnect – Meet and connect with other parents and expand your awareness of resources available in our community.

recharge – Take one day to feel good about parenting, get inspired and re-energized.

On-site childminding is available for registered attendees. **Space is limited.** Please inquire at time of registration.

SAVE WITH EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

(UNTIL ~~JAN 31~~ FEB 12, 2020)

REGISTER A SECOND PERSON AND SAVE EVEN MORE!

SATURDAY, MARCH 7
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM
BYRNE CREEK COMMUNITY
SECONDARY SCHOOL,
BURNABY

Registration includes a day of learning, snacks and lunch.

Thanks to our supporters at 4Pillars Consulting, Starbucks our Friend Sponsor TELUS, and other sponsors:

\$75

Cost for one registration purchased before ~~Jan 31~~ Feb.12. (After Feb.12: \$109)

\$125

Cost for two registrations purchased before ~~Jan 31~~ Feb.12. (After Feb.12: \$188)

Register online or contact us:

WWW.BFLGROWSCOMMUNITY.ORG

ple2020@bfli.ca | 604-419-6915



PLATINUM



GOLD



MEDIA



A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

Hello everyone! We are already heading into February! Wow! Such a busy time and Spring is almost here! Here are a few updates about what has happened and what is going on in the "community" side of our school:

Our **Mentorship Program** is alive and well at both Armstrong and here at Second Street! We have over 65 elementary kids (mostly grade 6 and 7) paired with 65 Cariboo Hill students, and they meet once a week on Wednesday to build relationships, nurture self-esteem, have caring conversations, ease the transition into high school – and have fun! That means over 130 youth are involved in mentorship! Our after school programs are flourishing at both schools! We have 100 spots for kids in programs at both Second Street and Armstrong! That means there are more than 200 spots in quality arts, sports and creative programs right here in our own community!

We currently have an **art class for ADULTS**, led by a Shadbolt instructor at Second Street! It is full and has adult participants from both the Second Street and Armstrong areas. We also have childcare so that the parents can enjoy the class without worrying about their toddlers – and, the toddlers are getting quality childcare at the same time!

We have **social gathering times** for parents and community members at both Second Street and Armstrong. These are called "CommuniTEA Times" and everyone is welcome to come, chat, have coffee and sometimes, even enjoy a guest speaker.

Second Street's **CommuniTEA Time** is: Thursdays, from 9:00 – 10:30 and Armstrong's **CommuniTEA Time** is: Fridays, from 9:00 – 10:30

Join me, as well as some neighbours & friends to have coffee, ask questions, build friendships and get information!

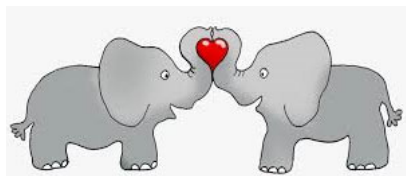
The **Second Street Community Council** (that is YOU! All parents and community members can attend and be part of the Council) meets once a month, alternately an evening meeting, and then a daytime meeting, usually on the first Monday of the month. These Meeting Mondays are informative and a way you can support the school and your children. Come and find out what is happening at the school and also in the community. Express your views, ask questions, or just listen. They are for all parents and even neighbours, so we call them: Parent and Neighbour (Community Council) Meetings! Please join us!

Our **Celebration of Cultures Potluck Dinner** is coming up on Thursday, February 13th! This is a great event at which we encourage families to share their culture with each other by wearing traditional clothes if you have them, as well as share one of your favourite dishes. There is entertainment, too!

Register for the cultural potluck dinner by Thursday, February 6th. To get tickets, click this link [register here](#) OR complete and return the bottom of the "Celebration of Culture" notice your child will be bringing home. We need volunteers to make this event successful. If you can volunteer, please sign up here, [volunteer sign up](#). Due to limited seating, tickets will no longer be available at the door. Each family member **MUST** have a ticket to attend the dinner & **children must be accompanied by an adult**.

Yours in community,

Gayle Beavil
Community School Coordinator



A NOTE FROM THE COMMUNITY OFFICE: TIPS ABOUT KIDS AND SOCIAL MEDIA

A Safe Schools Specialist, **Noam Samet**, who works here in the Burnaby School District, has some wise words to parents about their children and social media.

Because this is a topic on many of our minds, I thought I would share some of his gems with you:

Kids' social world doesn't stop. When we were in school, we could come home from school, have time with our families, reflect on the day, and then see our friends and socialize at school the next day.

*Kids today, don't get the chance to stop, reflect, decompress. Social media creates a constant flow of socializing. **Kids have no down time away from social pressure and peers.***

*Noam calls this, "**Constant connectivity**".*

Minor issues that we would have dealt with privately, now go on social media and become very public.

*When any of us reacts quickly, we don't usually make the best decisions. **Good decisions take time and thought and consideration.** With social media, there is pressure to react quickly: text back, "like" something, re-post, etc. There is no sitting down to write a letter to someone and writing, erasing, thinking, re-writing, etc. It's texted or posted and gone.*

We should ask kids what is happening on social media, just like we ask them what is happening at school.

They often spend just as much, or more time on social media, so why wouldn't we want to be involved in that part of their lives?

We can be interested and ask: "What did you do on your phone today?", "What did you post today?"

We can have them do one positive thing on social media each day, and we can ask them about it.

The WILL make mistakes and we need to help them know how to deal with them and to avoid getting into trouble online.

*And, **we can open up conversations and topics with them.** Use open-ended questions in order to get kids talking, such as: "Tell me about..." and "Tell me how that works..."*

*Noam also reminds us that if we were kids right now, **WE** would want friends on facebook, **WE** would want to use our phones, **WE** would be feeling the same pressures as they do. It is part of society now and we need to get involved, keep the conversation going by asking open questions, help them use it for good, teach them skills so that they can make better decisions, and ensure that we bring in other routines and activities into their lives so that there is a **BALANCE** of down time, family time and healthy social media use.*

All parents and community members are welcome to drop in every week at Second Street Community School for:

"CommuniTEA TIME"

9:00 - 10:30

Thursday mornings

Parents and community members are invited for coffee and refreshments with Community School Coordinator, Gayle Beavil, and other guest speakers of interest. Meet with other members of the community, find out about programs, activities and resources in this area. Get connected and get involved!

And join us on certain Tuesdays for

"CommuniTEA TECH TIME"

Tuesdays: Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 18, Mar. 10 and Mar. 31

The Burnaby Neighbourhood House will bring laptops and iPads for you to use during these informative sessions. Come with questions, come and try out the devices or come and work on, or get help with, a project. Their "Geek Squad" will help you, teach you and answer questions!

Join us, in the Second Street Community Room, for coffee, conversation and community connections.

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."

Coretta Scott King

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Community Office

Gayle Beavil

Community School Coordinator

Angela Yee

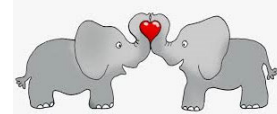
Office Assistant

In the office from:

Monday to Thursday — 9:00am – 2:00pm

Fridays—9:00am-1:00pm

Did you know...? If you are low-income, there are several supports available for you. You can get recreation credits, subsidies for camp, help at Christmas time, and help with sports fees for your kids! Ask in the Community Office. We can help.



Second Street Community and Parent Advisory Council

Everyone is welcome!

These are monthly talk times for all parents and neighbours of Second Street Community School



DATE: Monday, February 10, 2020

TIME: 9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Community Room

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- Ask questions about school and learning
- Help make decisions about what happens at the school

Childcare is available at all evening meetings and toddlers are most welcome to be at the daytime meetings.

Enjoy coffee, tea, and treats too!

Follow Second Street Community School on Twitter! **@SecondStSD41** and on **Facebook**

Questions about Council? Go to <http://secondstreet.sd41.bc.ca/did-you-know/>

Email to contact us at: secondstreetschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Thursday, February 21, 2019

CELEBRATION OF CULTURES – 5:00pm—7:15pm

Come enjoy to Second Street Community School and enjoy an evening of culture and food from around the world!

It's a potluck dinner – bring a main dish (ready to serve) and bring enough to serve your family plus extra, so that others can experience your culture through food.

It's a celebration - families are encouraged to wear ethnic/traditional outfits, as well as to bring some information/artifacts about their culture or country to display on a table

“ There will be ENTERTAINMENT!

“ There will be a Prize Draw by donation!

More details to come soon....



CANADIAN RED CROSS



Babysitting & Stay Safe Certification

Friday, February 28th, 2020 @ Sperling Elementary School

Babysitting Certification

(Ages 11-15)

Time: 8:30am - 3:30pm

- Students learn how to care for younger children and how to prevent and respond to emergencies
- Each student will receive a Babysitter Manual, Certificate, and a mini first aid kit
- **\$65 per student**

*****LIMITED SPOTS! SIGN UP EARLY!**

Stay Safe! Certification

(Ages 9-13)

Time: 8:30am - 2:30pm

- Helps prepare students to be on their own at home or in the community
- Each Student receives a Stay Safe! Certificate, workbook & a mini first aid kit
- **\$65 per student**

**Mature 8-year-olds accepted.*

*****LIMITED SPOTS! SIGN UP EARLY!**

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, February 18th, 2020

****Students will be supervised over the lunch break by Instructors.*

*** Please bring a nut-free bag lunch, snacks and a water bottle ***

Course: _____ BABYSITTING - OR - _____ STAY SAFE

Student Name: _____

Division: ____ Grade: ____ Age: ____ School: _____

Parent's Name/Emergency Contact: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

My child can walk home after the course ☐ or, I will pick up my child after the course ☐

By signing below, I give permission for my child to attend this course on Friday, February 28th.

Parent Signature _____

****Payment due upon registration. Limited Spots: First come, first serve. ALWAYS SELLS OUT!**

(Please note no refunds will be given for last minute cancellations) THIS IS A GRADE 7 TRIP FUNDRAISER INITIATIVE.

For questions please contact: Michelle Jenkins @604-754-4894 or michellej0101@gmail.com

Payment can ONLY be accepted through SchoolCash Online (Sperling students only) or cheques.

Payment enclosed (please ✓ your method of payment): ☐ PREFERRED METHOD: SchoolCash Online. PLEASE

INCLUDE RECEIPT # _____ (required). ☐ Cheque made payable to Sperling School

** Please help us eliminate the need to send cheque to school with your child by signing up with SchoolCash Online.

Visit <https://burnaby.schoolcashonline.com> or see the direct link on the school website (Sperling students only).

PLEASE RETURN THIS REGISTRATION FORM TO THE CLASSROOM TEACHER OR SCHOOL OFFICE BY FEB 18TH



Did you know we have a school Twitter account?

We do! Follow us @SecondSTD41

Get a glimpse into our classrooms and school and see all the great learning that is happening!