

SECOND STREET COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Word on the Street



*Bryan Tesan
Principal*

A Busy Month!

It's been another busy month with lots to celebrate! Between Hip-Hop, Basketball, Lunar New Year celebrations, and all of the always engaging and creative classroom learning going on, Second Street has been a bustling place this January! A big thanks to our Hip-Hop instructor Sue, our volunteer basketball coaches Ms. Trotto, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Lim, our local MLA Ms. Rohini Arora who donated oranges and red envelopes for our Lunar New Year parade, and our CPAC volunteers who, along with subsidizing our Dance instruction, go above and beyond to help make our school the vibrant place of learning that it is!



Community Safety

As part of our ongoing commitment to student safety and to creating a welcoming school environment, we are implementing a couple of changes that will help staff and students to easily recognize guests and visiting members of our school community. Starting in February, all visitors, including former students, volunteers, and parents supporting the school, will be asked to sign in at the office and to wear one of our fun new ID badges while on school grounds during school hours. This will help us make sure that both staff and students can quickly identify visitors, volunteers, and parents.



School Doors

We are also making some adjustments to how the building is accessed. After school begins and students are in the building we are asking that visitors use the covered 'main entrance' off of 16th Avenue. The rest of the outside doors will remain locked during the day. If you are visiting during this time please head up to the office to sign in. The main entrance will itself be locked at 3:30pm. If you are visiting after this time (picking up from programs or sports events, attending meetings, or attending evening events) the organizing staff will announce which doors will be accessible. We are in the process of adding numbers to all outside doors to make this process easier.

If you have any questions about these changes please reach out to me!
(Bryan.tesan@burnabyschools.ca)



Patricia Murevesi
Community
Coordinator



Community Updates

Community Teatime with Parents

Join us for coffee, tea, snacks, and great conversation! Bring your ideas on how to enhance these meetings. All ideas are welcome!!

Dates and Times:

- **February 6th** (1:00 PM - 2:30 PM) with Liz Merkel, Literacy Enhancement Teacher
- **February 19th** (9:00 AM - 11:30 AM)
- **March 12th** (1:00 PM - 2:30 PM)
- **April 8th & 23rd** (9:00 AM - 11:30 AM)
- **May 6th, May 21st, June 4th & June 17th** (9:00 AM - 11:30 AM)
- **Location:** Second Street Community Room

Communication and Non-Violent Communication Workshops

Facilitated by Sahar Sanai, one of our Second Street parents.

- **April 30th** and **May 28th**
- **Location:** Second Street Community Room
- Learn and engage in positive communication with others!

Mentorship Program with Cariboo Students

Continuing this Friday until **March 7th**.

Senior's Tea Planning Meeting

- **March 26th** (1:30 PM - 2:30 PM)
- Please bring your ideas for the Senior's Tea event!

Senior's Tea: A Celebration of Heritage, Stories, and Generations

- **May 2nd** (May 9th may be an alternative date)

CPAC Notes



*Charisse and Anne
CPAC Co-Chairs*

Spirit Wear Sale – ON NOW!

- Show your school pride with limited-edition blue and black t-shirts and hoodies! Orders close February 14th. Order through School Cash Online, cash, or cheque.

Family Photo Sessions with Krystle Images

- Capture memories while supporting the school! Only \$50 for a mini session on February 22nd and 23rd. Spots are limited, book now using the unique code on the attached flyer.

Popcorn Sale - February 14th

- Treat your kids (and their friends!) to a bag of popcorn on **February 14th** for only \$1. A fun way to support the school!

Pizza Day - February 20th

- Preorder pizza and support Community Office initiatives like Mentorship and our Food Cupboard.

Grade 7 Camp Fundraisers

- Support Grade 7 students raising money for their June overnight camp. Look out for fundraising events and activities in the coming weeks!

We greatly appreciate your support in making these events and initiatives a success. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out!

CALLING GRADE 7 PARENTS!

This year we are pulling together parents interested in being part of organizing the Grade 7 Leaving celebration in June. Starting early in the planning will give us a chance to tap into creativity, opportunity and efficiency. We will have our first meeting on Tuesday, February 4 @ 7pm and will host it virtually.

Join Zoom Meeting: [https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85828147055?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85828147055?pwd=J15Lqt53ziijjFyLp3GRHy47KmFuuC.1)

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Meeting ID: 858 2814 7055

Passcode: 633790

If you are able to offer support for the event financially, please let us know as soon as you can. This will help substantially with planning. As well, if you are interested in helping but can't attend the meeting, please reach out.

UPCOMING SHOWS & PERFORMANCES

Here is a list of upcoming performances by our students from our music teacher, Mr. TdS



WEEK BEFORE SPRING BREAK:



PRIMARY DAYS OF MUSIC

In March, our grade 2-3 students will participate in a singing festival called PRIMARY DAYS OF MUSIC. More information about exact time and location will be available closer to the date!

APRIL 16, 2025: BURNABY SINGS FESTIVAL!

Mr. Bhargava's class, Ms. Worboy's class, Ms. Farina's class and Ms. Chan's class will be performing three songs as a choir at the Burnaby Sings Music Festival on this day. More information about exact time and location will be available closer to the date! Tickets will be available so watch for information.

APRIL 29-MAY 1: SCHOOL MUSICAL: NATURE RANGERS

This year our school musical is called NATURE RANGERS. It will be taking place on two afternoons (April 29 & April 30) and two evenings (April 30 and May 1st). More information about what evening your child will perform on will be coming closer to the date.



Students have already started learning songs like "Work Together" and "Together" in preparation for this musical! I will be sending out a list of Youtube links for home rehearsal in the coming weeks.



Coming Up in **FEBRUARY** @ **Second Street!**

- **Feb 3rd, 10th, 24th** Knitting Club 12:00- Community Room 
- **Feb 3rd, 10th, 24th** - Radiant Life 3pm - Gym
- **Feb 3rd** - Girl Guides 6pm - Gym
- **Feb 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th** - Shadbolt Creative Drama 3pm - Room 210
- **Feb 5th, 12th, 19th, 25th** - More Sports 3pm - Gym 
- **Feb 5th, 12th, 19th, 25th** - Go Girls - Community Room
- **Feb 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th** - Adult Yoga 9:30 - Community Room
- **Feb 6th, 13th** - Lego and Games - Room 210 
- **Feb 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th** - A.C.T.S - 3pm - Gym and Staffroom
- **Feb 7th** - Candy Gram Fundraiser
- **Feb 10th, 24th** - Snack Attack 3pm - Community Room
- **Feb 14th** - Red, White and Pink Day
- **Feb 14th** - Popcorn Day 
- **Feb 20th** - Pizza Day
- **Feb 24th** - CPAC General Meeting 5:45 Community Room
- **Feb 26th** - Celebration of Learning Assembly 
- **Feb 26th** - Pink Shirt Day

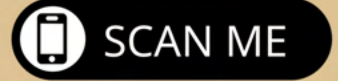
Family Literacy Session with Liz Merkel

This past Tuesday we had the pleasure of hosting our District Literacy Enhancement Teacher Liz Merkel who led us in a valuable and informative session around childhood literacy. The session covered Liz's top ten tips to help engage your kids in reading. It was a fun and idea filled session. If you didn't get the chance to attend, the link to view the session is attached below. Please have a look!

<https://shorturl.at/pyjiS>

VOLUNTEER JOB JAR!

Tasks big & small in our Job Jar - to let our community know where the school could use some help, we keep a virtual job jar where we put details of volunteer opportunities - big and small. Come join us in community, make connections and find a way to be involved.



Ongoing Fundraisers @ Second Street



Refundables

Go to any Return-it Express Depot to drop off your refundable containers and use the school phone number (604-296-9029) to have the refund go towards the school.

SPIRIT WEAR



Did you know that you can buy Second Street School Spirit Wear (black hoodies or t-shirts with the school logo) throughout the school year?

\$16 - t-shirts, \$36 - hoodies

Cash, cheque & 'school cash online' accepted

Go to the School Community Office to purchase yours (while supplies last).





You're Invited...

Community Tea Time with Liz Merkel

Supporting Your Child's Literacy at Home

We are excited to invite you to a **Community Tea Time with Liz Merkel**, the District Literacy Enhancement Teacher in Burnaby schools. Liz will be sharing valuable strategies that can help support and enhance your child's literacy skills right from home!

Date: February 6th

Time: 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Location: Community Room, Second Street School

This relaxed and informal session will be a great opportunity for you to engage in a rich discussion and learn practical ways to foster literacy in your child's everyday life.

Bring your questions, your curiosity, and your love for learning!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Spirit Wear Order Form 2025

To raise funds for the school (for things like field trips and Audio/Visual equipment), the Community & Parent Advisory Council (CPAC) is coordinating the sale of school t-shirts and hoodies with **special edition** Sapphire Blue and Black available. Everyone is invited to order – students, parents and staff.

ORDERS ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 14TH

NOTE: youth hoodies do NOT have drawstrings



Step 1: Name: _____ Division: _____

Step 2: Indicate in the table below which item(s) you are purchasing:

Hoodie (two color choices) - \$36/hoodie									
Colour	Youth Small (6-8)	Youth Medium (10-12)	Youth Large (14-16)	Youth XL (18-20)	Adult Small	Adult Medium	Adult Large	Adult XL	Adult XXL
Sapphire Blue									
Black									

T-Shirt (two color choices) - \$16/T-shirt									
Colour	Youth Small (6-8)	Youth Medium (10-12)	Youth Large (14-16)	Youth XL (18-20)	Adult Small	Adult Medium	Adult Large	Adult XL	Adult XXL
Sapphire Blue									
Black									

Step 3:

Order Summary: **Total # Items** _____ **Total \$** _____

Please indicate how you will be paying: Cash Online (Confirmation # _____)

Cash Cheque (Make cheques payable to: Second Street Community Council)

Step 4: Provide your order form **and payment** to the Community Office by Feb. 14th

For sizing charts and measuring instructions, look up ATC Sizing Charts online or
Scan these QR Codes for reference:

YOUTH HOODIES:



YOUTH T-SHIRT:



ADULT HOODIES:



ADULT T-SHIRT:



If you have any questions, reach out to us: secondstreetschoolcouncil@gmail.com



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- Boys & Girls,
Ages 5-19 Years
- All Skill Levels,
Beginner to Elite
- Co-ed & Female
Only Divisions
- Season Runs
March to June
- Opportunities for
Provincials, Nationals &
Worlds Championships



U7 DIVISION FREE REGISTRATION

Kids born in 2019 &
2020 play for FREE
this season!

METROBALLHOCKEY.CA

What to Expect with Weather-Related School Closures in the District

How are decisions made?

All schools will remain OPEN unless there is heavy snowfall, damage, or other circumstances –such as a power outage – that make it impossible to open for instruction.



When will I know?

We do our best to communicate school or District-wide CLOSURES by 6:30am.

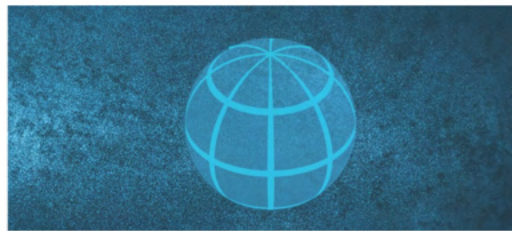
Please note, no announcement will be made that schools are open except under extreme circumstances.

How will I know?

The information about closures will typically be posted on both the District website and X/Twitter account. However, please keep in mind that there may be situations where this is not possible, such as a power outage. Generally, only closures or delays are announced. Another way to learn about school closures is through local news stations (online, radio, and TV).



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What about student safety and family choice?

Student safety is a responsibility we share with families. Please walk your child to the door of the school if you are unsure whether or not the school is open. If for any reason you feel that your student cannot travel safely then please, as you normally would, notify the school that your child will be absent.

What if schools are open and the weather gets worse throughout the day?

If weather conditions deteriorate throughout the day and create a concern for the safety of students returning home, a decision may be made to dismiss students early. This will be communicated to parents in the best way possible through the school's normal communications channels.

How will adult education students be informed?

If weather conditions result in a decision to cancel evening classes, notice will be posted on the Burnaby Community & Continuing Education website (www.burnabyccce.ca) by mid-day.

Where can I learn more?

Additional information can be found in our [Policy Statement](#) (3.20).

Fundraiser by Krystle Images to support Second Street School

Two different session types being offered!

February 22nd & 23rd **Only \$50 per session**
Limited availability

Use link or QR code for more info and booking

Contact Krystle at krystle@krystleimages.com with any questions

studio located withing walking distance of Second Street School

Micro Family Session

10 min session + choice of 2 images
up to 5 immediate family members
more family members? please book
an additional time slot
of image upgrades available



<https://book.usesession.com/s/j7SYvgUQdO>



B&W Kiddo Personality Portraits
10 min session + choice of 2 images
1 child per session
(siblings need their own session)
of image upgrades available



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Make a Difference in Your Community!

Burnaby's 9th Annual
**COLDEST NIGHT
OF THE YEAR**



Saturday, February 22, 2025

5 PM

Marlborough Elementary School
6060 Marlborough Ave, Burnaby

*Support Two Great
Burnaby Organizations*

**The Society to End
Homelessness in Burnaby**

burnabyhomeless.org

&

Burnaby Community Services

burnabynh.ca

WALK ... Register online for the 2km or 5km walk and fundraise for support!

GATHER A TEAM ... Work together as friends, family & colleagues!

SUPPORT ... Can't walk? Donate online to support the event!

www.cnoy.org/burnaby

**coldest
*night**
OF THE YEAR

The Coldest Night of the Year is a winteriffic family-friendly fundraising walk in support of local charities. Let's change the tune for people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness... because it's cold out there.



It's Time To Play Ball!!
JOIN BURNABY BASEBALL



YOUTH BASEBALL PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION CLOSES MARCH 15TH

DIVISION	BIRTH YEAR
5U (Blastball)	2020-2022
7U (Teeball)	2019-2018
9U (Tadpole)	2017-2016
11U (Mosquito)	2015-2014
13U (Peewee)	2013-2012
15U (Bantam)	2011-2010
18U (Midget)	2009-2007
26U (Jr. Men's)	2006-1999
Challenger	All Ages

*7U, 9U & 12U ALL GIRL TEAMS AVAILABLE

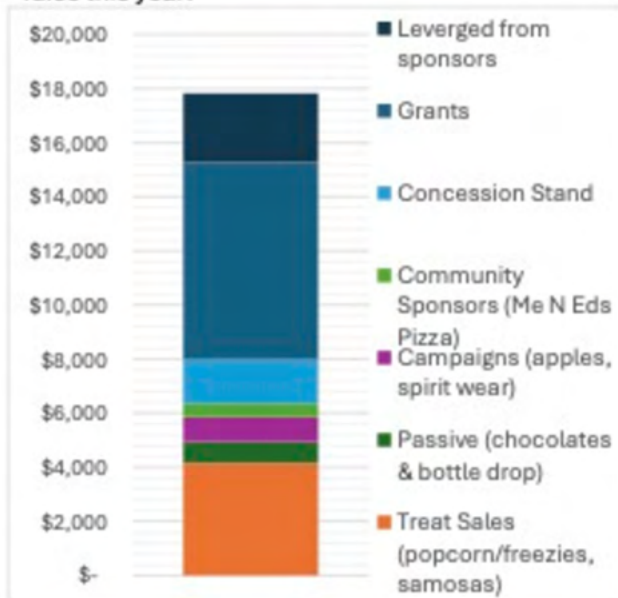


REGISTER ONLINE AT BURNABYBASEBALL.COM

CPAC FUNDS: WHERE FROM & WHERE TO

WHERE \$ COMES FROM

CPAC gets funds from a variety of places, including monthly treat sales, grants we apply for, sales campaigns for certain products, and sponsorships that we leverage from our community. Below is a visual of some of our funding sources and our estimate of what we will raise this year.



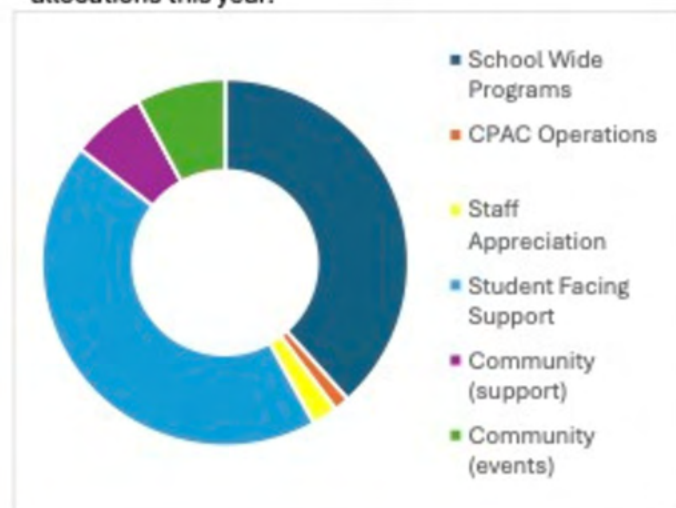
THE MORE MONEY WE CAN RAISE, THE MORE WE CAN ALLOCATE TO THE SCHOOL.

WHAT WE FUND

This year, CPAC will be supporting:

- longtime school-wide programs like hip hop and swimming,
- student-facing learning elements like field trips, experiential learning and technology,
- classrooms, including through music, library & literacy resources.

We also support community events and food security initiatives. Below is a visual of the funding allocations this year.



WHAT WE STILL NEED

There is a lot we cannot fund this year. So, we will be applying for grants and focusing on raising money to specifically support these technology initiatives the staff requested:

1. **iPads for Learning Support Services** - we'd like to equip each classroom with an iPad (and case) to help students that need further support for their learning, even as simple as using it as a tool for translation. It's a clear need that won't be met by the district.
2. **Podcast Cart** - to broaden the opportunity to hear their voices, build confidence and enable diverse learning styles, we want to start turning morning announcements into a podcast. Having a plug and play podcast cart would help make this happen, as well as be accessible for uses throughout the school.
3. **Document Cameras/Projectors** - to facilitate learning, many of our projectors need replacing and the school technology budget is not large enough to cover it all.

We have a long list of asks - here are some other unfunded staff requests: strategy games for a game lending library, intermediate-level games for indoor lunch, a few child-safe cardboard cutting tools (\$300 each), disc golf discs, wiggle cars, and vinyl 'movement break' decals for our hallway.

If you want to support any of these school initiatives or want to hear more about how you can help, reach out:

Bryan
(bryan.tesan@burnabyschools.ca) can tell you more about the school needs.

Anne
(secondstreetschoolcouncil@gmail.com) can tell you more about CPAC and fundraising.



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