

École Capitol Hill



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Principal's Message

Welcome Back and Happy New Year!

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and I hope that you have all enjoyed a fabulous and restful holidays. As we move forward into second term, we have scheduled Parent/Teacher Conferences for Tuesday, January 10th. There will be an early dismissal at 1:45pm and conferences will be held from 2pm—6pm. This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress which was shared in his/her report card. These conferences are **optional** as many parents will have already discussed their child's progress before the holidays. Please do not feel obligated to schedule a conference if this is the case. We will also be having our next Professional Day on Monday, January 16th. School will not be in session for students that day.

With the cold and wintery conditions that we have been experiencing since late in November, I would like to remind all of us to ensure that our students dress appropriately as they will be going outside for both recess and lunch, unless the weather conditions become too extreme or unsafe. Along the lines of safety, our custodial and maintenance/facility staff work each day to ensure that the pathways and driveways are cleared and as safe as possible, but there may be instances where there are slippery areas so we caution everyone to take extra care. We also are cautioning all pedestrians and drivers around the school, that with these slippery conditions to be very careful as vehicles do not have the same stopping abilities as in normal weather conditions.

A special thank you to our Primary **Classroom Monitors** for a job well done for first term! We have 70 grades 4 to 7 students who help supervise students in our primary classes during the noon hour and on inside rainy days. They help by supervising our younger students at these times to ensure their safety and greatly assist our Noon Hour Supervisors during lunch time. This is such an important student job at our school and we want to recognize their efforts! As well, a thanks to all of our students who get involved by helping out in their classrooms and throughout the school. Without your efforts our school would not be the great place it is! I would like to take this opportunity in thanking you all for your continued support of our school and looking forward to a fabulous 2017!

Wally Kanno
Principal

PAC Executive

- Chair: Ariel Pavic
- Vice Chair: Calvin Taplay
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- Past Chairperson: Anne Marie Poh
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Capitol Hill Volleyball Teams

Both our Girls' and Boys' Volleyball Teams had very successful seasons! The teams were comprised of grade 6 and 7 students. All of our students showed much improvement in their volleyball skills and team work as the season progressed. The season culminated in a Volleyball Playday (tournament). The boys attended a playday at Alpha Secondary School and the girls Burnaby Central Secondary School. To finish the season all of our players took part in a fun noon hour game along with our Capitol Hill staff team on Thursday, December 15th. Thanks to Mrs. Lau-Edwards and Mr. Canuel for coaching our girls' team and Mrs. Armstrong and Mr. Kanno for coaching the boys' team. A special thanks to our parent drivers who volunteered to drive our players to afterschool games at other schools in the area! It was much appreciated. Great work everyone!

Girls' Volleyball Team Members: Emma Torrao, Melisa Huarcaya, Oakley Nance, Sonya Zong, Erika Liang, Abigail White, Scarlett LaQuaglia, Nicole Lo, Rose Liu, Eliana Zhoa, Floria Gu, Terrienne Zhang, Flora Su, Elaine Yan, Ari Mora, Anqi Jing, Kathy Tran, Ya Lin Yang, Esme Devlin, Lori Kullahian, Alissa Chang, Maeve Holbrook, Angelica Meavepena, Valerie Bui, Jessica Pan.

Boys' Volleyball Team Members: Amaran Ahira, Nicki Moise, Boris Zhang, Jian Yuan Zhang, Nico Baez, Gerry Chen, Ryan Chiu, Bereket Dereje, Eugene Fei Richard Feng, Giancarlo Garcea, Milun Gracias-Taplay, Adrien Lin, Ben Mackenzie, Alan Pouryan, Alex Sae Ho, Daniel Song, Joseph Wang, Tyler Yeh.



Early Dismissal - Tuesday, January 10th (1:45pm)

for Parent/Teacher Conferences

Just a reminder that we will be having an early dismissal on Tuesday, January 9th at 1:45pm. We will be holding **optional** Parent/Teacher Conferences for those parents wanting to have a discussion with teachers in regards your child's progress in first term. The conferences will be held from 2pm—6pm.

Please book your conference at <https://capitolhill.schoolappointments.com>

Professional Day— Monday, January 16th

Monday, January 16th is our next Professional Day. School will not be in session for students on this day.

Traffic, Parking, Pick-up and Drop-off at the School

The heavy congestion of traffic that occurs each and every day around our school is a potentially hazardous situation. It is therefore important for all drivers to be very vigilant of all pedestrians, abide by speed limits, parking regulations and be respectful of each other. With the cold, snowy and icy winter conditions the importance of safe driving and parking habits is magnified many fold. As pedestrians we must also be extra vigilant as vehicles may not be able to control their stopping due to slippery and icy conditions. We thank you for your attention to this very important matter in the name of safety for everyone!



Late for School /Leaving Early

It is really important that parents ensure that their children arrive to school on time each day. Lessons begin at 8:55 and those who arrive late not only miss valuable instruction time, but also disturb the learning of their classmates by entering their classrooms after everyone is settled. Any student who arrives late, must first come to the school office to sign in, and then proceed to their classrooms. Students may also need to leave school early on occasion. We ask that parents come to the office to sign your child out. Thanks for your cooperation.



PAC Corner

Our Parent Advisory Council will be holding their next meeting on **Wednesday, January, 12th at 6:30pm**. All PAC meetings are held in our school library. Please put this in your calendars and plan to attend.

Burnaby Parks and Recreation Pro-D/Spring Break Activities

Do you have anything planned for your child for February 17 (Pro-D day) or during Spring Break? The City of Burnaby has some great options for you to explore. Please go the website below:

<https://www.burnaby.ca/Things-To-Do/Be-Active-Programs/Programs-for-Everyone/Children/Children-Camps.html>

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 First Day Back!	4 Kindergarten Vision/Hearing Screening	5	6	7
8	9	10 Early Dismissal 1:45pm Parent/Teacher Conferences 2-6pm	11 Div. 9,10,11 Skating -pm PAC Meeting 6:30pm	12	13	14
15	16 Professional Day (school not in session for students)	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Young People's Con- cert 9:35 (bus pickup 9am)	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

* Please Note: Calendar, dates and times are subject to change

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Ecole Capitol Hill Comments

We would like to know the Newsletters are being read at home by parents and students. Please fill in the information below and return it to the school and your child(ren) will have a chance to win a prize at our monthly draw. As always, your comments are welcome.

I have read the Newsletter Parent's Name: _____

Family Name: _____

Child's First Name: _____ Grade _____ Div. _____

Child's First Name: _____ Grade _____ Div. _____

Comments on any topic are most welcome:
