

**November 2017**

### **A Sad Good-bye to Mr. Weingartner**

It is with mixed emotions that we will be saying good-bye to Mr. Weingartner on Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. We are sad to lose such an amazing Music teacher and a wonderful staff member, yet we are happy for Mr. Weingartner for his new Band Director position at a secondary school in Maple Ridge. We wish him all the best as he pursues his passion as a band teacher and we thank him for his great contributions to our school since September.

### **TRAFFIC SAFETY Reminder**

We all share a common concern about the safety of our children when arriving at and leaving from school. Together we can ensure our students' safety by choosing road safety over convenience.

#### **Drop off and Pick-up reminders**

- Please be aware that the area in front of the school is designated as a no stopping zone from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on school days.
- Please stop/park an appropriate distance from the corners on Willoughby Avenue and Lyndhurst Street to allow our students to see approaching cars so that they can cross Lyndhurst Street safely.
- Please find an appropriate spot to stop/park to allow your child to exit your vehicle safely; allowing your child to hop out of the vehicle in the middle of the road is unsafe.
- Please move your car up, so that other parents have space to stop/park.
- Please remember the driveway entrance to our school is not a drop off/pick up area nor a place to turn your car around.
- When turning around on Lyndhurst Street, please go to the top of the cul-de-sac to turn around as using Willoughby Avenue or Lyndhurst Street to make a U-turn is unsafe.
- Please be respectful of our neighbours and park/stop an appropriate distance from their driveways.
- Please remember that the speed limit in a school zone is 30 km/h from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



Thank you for putting our students' safety first and respecting the drop off/pick-up procedures at our school.

### **West Coast Recess Reminder**

We have experienced a great deal of rainy days this month and would like to make sure that our students are prepared for playing outside in the rain. It is important for your child to have weather appropriate clothing such as:

- A rain jacket with a hood or an umbrella to use
- Rain boots to keep their feet dry
- Rain pants
- A change of clothes just in case needed. (socks, sweatpants, underwear, t-shirt)



### **Weather Related School Closures**

As winter is quickly approaching it means it is time to remind you of how you might learn of any 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 <http://www.sd41.bc.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. Please **do not** call the school.

For more detailed information on weather related school closures, please [click here](#).

### **\*\*\*SCHOOL EMAIL\*\*\***

This bulletin is only being sent home to our Lyndhurst families through our new group email system.

#### **Reminders**

- Our November Celebration of Learning assembly is tomorrow, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:15 pm.

#### **Looking ahead:**

- If you placed a Purdys Chocolatier order, your order will be available for pick up on December 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm
- Our Christmas Concert is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>; the afternoon performance is at 2:00 p.m.; the evening performance is scheduled at 6:30 p.m.
- Christmas Bake Sale (PAC Fundraiser) will be held on December 19<sup>th</sup> at both the afternoon and evening performances
- Pancake Breakfast-December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:05 am

### **Volleyball Season is coming to an end**

Our Boys' Volleyball team finished the season last Tuesday at Alpha Secondary school. They played well, showed great sportsmanship and had fun. Thank you to Mr. Parish, a retired Burnaby teacher, for coaching the boys again this year.

Our Girls' Volleyball team will be finishing the season tomorrow after school. The team is participating in the District's Competitive Volleyball Playday. The girls have worked hard to prepare for this competition. We wish them good luck for tomorrow. Thank you to Mr. Singh for coaching our girls again this year.

Thank you to all the parent drivers for taking the time to transport our students to and from the games each week.



## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **UBC Girlsmarts!**

UBC Girlsmarts is a non-profit organization launched by the UBC Computer Science department to help girls spark and sustain an interest in computer science. Our organization has been running workshops since 2004 and we often partner up with various local tech companies (including Microsoft, Amazon, SAP, and many others) to run many different workshops and activities for girls in grades 6 to 12.

This year, we will be offering two grade 6 workshops (in partnership with Microsoft) and one grade 7 workshop (in partnership with SAP). Please note that our workshops are for girls only. Our grade 6 workshops will teach girls about programming their own game, cybersecurity, creating their own webpage, and hardware. The grade 7 workshops are run in partnership with SAP and will teach girls about design thinking, programming, social gaming, and user interface/user experience. If you are interested in learning more: our website is at <https://www.cs.ubc.ca/girlsmarts4tech/> or you can contact us at [girlsmarts-info@cs.ubc.ca](mailto:girlsmarts-info@cs.ubc.ca).