

MAPLE LANE NEWS

Newsletter #1

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這是重要的通告, 希請人譯讀。
ਇਹ ਮਹੱਤਵਪੂਰਨ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਹੈ; ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਪੜ੍ਹੋ ਤੇ ਇਸਨੂੰ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਕਰਵਾਓ।

Welcome back to a new school year at Maple Lane Elementary.
We are so happy to be back at school together!
We are looking forward to a great year.

We are happy to welcome the following new staff members:

Mrs. Neeloo Rana Division 3 Teacher

Mr. Eric Park Division 5 Teacher

Ms. Miranda Olding Division 6 Teacher

Mrs. Jaclyn Cruz Division 7 Teacher

Ms. Melanie Grant Resource / ELL Teacher

Farewell to Mrs. Priestley and Ms. Sanderson. They have retired and are enjoying the good life. We wish them all the best in their future adventures. Mrs. Goto has moved schools, she is now a Resource and Ell teacher at Hamilton Elementary. *We send our best wishes with them.*

School Organization

We have just completed our classroom organization. We have 180 students in our school. All of our students have been placed in their permanent classrooms for the year. The staff has spent many hours to ensure that the students were placed in classrooms that would be most beneficial for their unique learning needs.

Teaching Staff 2017-18

Mr. R. Mason

Mr. K. Miller

Mrs. B. Beairsto

Mrs. N. Rana

Ms. J. Metcalf

Mr. E. Park

Ms. M. Olding

Mrs. J. Cruz

Mrs. J. Godfrey

Mrs. N. Zalunardo

Principal

Div. 1 Intermediate Teacher

Div. 2 Intermediate Teacher

Div. 3 Intermediate Teacher

Div. 4 Primary / Intermediate Teacher

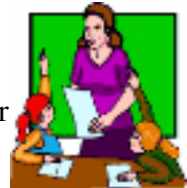
Div. 5 Primary Teacher

Div. 6 Primary Teacher

Div. 7 Primary Teacher

Div. 8 Primary Teacher

Div. 8 Primary Teacher



Mrs. A. Hung

Mrs. H. Sandhu

Mrs. M. Grant

Mr. A. Warbinek

Mrs. S Barahona

Ms. P. Van Geffen

Mr. K. Vawter

Mr. P. Selitti

Ms. N. Hewamudalige

Learning Resource Teacher

Teacher-Librarian, Learning Resource Teacher

Learning Resource Teacher

Band/Music Teacher

Educational Assistant

Educational Assistant

Educational Assistant

Counsellor

Speech and Language Pathologist

School Support Staff

Mrs. M. Sehra	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. D. Grey	Noon Hour Supervisor
Mrs. I Samon	Noon Hour Supervisor
Mrs. J. Gill	Custodian
Ms. S. Reykdal	Elementary Counselling Support Worker
Mr. B. Chow	SWIS Settlement Workers in School
Ms H. Moes	Public Health Nurse

STUDENT SAFETY



Safe Arrival

If your child is going to be absent from class at any time please phone the **Safe Arrival Voice Mail (604-668-6192)** to record your message. Please leave your child's name, division or teacher's name and the reason for their absence. Parents of children who are unaccounted for will be contacted to determine their whereabouts. **PLEASE KEEP YOUR CONTACT NUMBERS UPDATED at the office.**

Parking Lot

Please use the DROP OFF area to let your children out of your car. **THIS IS THE RIGHT LANE OF OUR ROUNDABOUT DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL.** Please do not stop in the left lane of our roundabout. Please do not park in the roundabout and leave your car to go into the school.

Please remember to drive slowly when near the school and watch for children walking and crossing the street.

Early Dismissal From Class

Parents wishing to take their child from a class before the end of the regular school day are requested to send a note to the teacher. When a parent arrives at the school to take their child out of class we ask that he/she report to the school office first.



Lunch Time



Every Monday, we have an early dismissal at 1pm. On Mondays, we don't have a full lunch time, instead we have two recess periods: 10:15am-10:30am and 12:00pm-12:15pm. Tuesday through Friday, Lunch starts at 12:20pm and ends at 1:10pm. Students eat in their classrooms from 12:20pm to 12:35pm, then go outside until the 1:10pm bell. Classes start at 1:10 pm.

All students are to remain on the school grounds during lunchtime unless a parent informs the office that their child may go home for lunch on a regular basis.

Lunches for students may be left on the tables in the hallway beside the office.

PLEASE HAVE LUNCHES AT SCHOOL BY 12:15 p.m. Please do not disturb classes by delivering lunches to the classrooms. You can leave your child's lunch on the tables near the office, please label your child's lunch. Thank you.



Student Cell Phones and Electronic Musical Devices

We acknowledge that many of our older students have personal cell phones. However, in order to respect the learning environment within the school and classrooms, students are to ensure that all phones are turned off from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm and they are placed securely in backpacks. If there is an emergency situation, or a student needs to call parents during the school day, the office staff will gladly assist them.



With regards to all personal electronic devices, please note that if they are reported lost, mislaid or stolen (as has happened, unfortunately) the school cannot be held responsible. We thank you for your support in this area.

PLEASE HELP YOUR CHILDREN ARRIVE AT SCHOOL ON TIME!

School Hours

Monday – 8:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Tuesday - Friday 8:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Note: The first bell rings at 8:40 a.m. Students are expected to be at their desks for attendance at 8:45. **Part of being Socially Responsible is caring for others. When students are late, they disturb the teacher and students who have started on time.**

Recess: Monday – 10:15 – 10:30
12:00 – 12:15

Tuesday – Friday - 10:25 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.

Lunch: Tuesday – Friday 12:20 p.m. – 1:05 p.m.

Dismissal: Monday 1 p.m.

Tuesday – Friday 3 p.m.

STUDENT SUPPLIES

Basic School Supplies for Elementary Students

The Board of School Trustees has approved the Schools Supplies Service Program for 2017-18. The cost to each student is \$30.00. The School Board continues to offer this service as a cost saving support to families and also as a way of standardizing basic supplies for classroom use. Exercise books, duotangs, papers, pencils, pens, crayons, rulers, erasers, glue etc. are supplied in quantities appropriate to each grade level. Individual teachers may ask for other items.



As part of the personal planning curriculum students in Divisions 1-5 are expected to use a daily planner. In order to provide uniformity for all classes the school provides planners at a cost of \$6.00. We hope that you take advantage of this excellent organizational tool.

Kindergarten students do not purchase a planner, but are asked to pay \$20 towards their Kindergarten Cooking & Craft supplies.

School Supplies and Student Planner money will be requested at the end of September. In the meantime, students will be given all the school supplies they need to work through the first month.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

“Meet the Staff/Meet the Parents” Evening



Please mark your calendars! On **Wednesday, September 20th from 6:15-7:00 p.m.** parents are invited to come with their children to meet their teachers and visit the school. Here is the format: Families are asked to go to their children's classrooms between 6:15 and 6:45 p.m. At 6:45 p.m., students can play in the playground OR accompany their parents when they are asked to gather in the gym to meet with the principal and the staff. All teachers will be introduced, a brief overview of our school will occur and Mimi Nishi, our PAC Chair, will speak.

Terry Fox Run to Cure Cancer

The TERRY FOX RUN at Maple Lane will take place on Thursday, September 21st at 2:00 p.m. Parents can join us! Please remember to send a Toonie or more donation for Terry with your child, so that Maple Lane can do its part to help find a cure for cancer. Students can begin donating on Monday Sept. 18th. Our goal is to raise \$500 for the Canadian Cancer Foundation. We can do it, Maple Lane!

PRO-D DAY

Friday, September 22nd, is a Professional-Development Day for teachers. Students do not come to school on this day. The Maple Lane staff takes time on Professional Development Days to learn new things that will make them even better professionals who can help your children.

Parent Advisory Council (P.A.C.)

The Parent Advisory Council's mandate is to facilitate and promote effective communication between home and school and to foster parent participation in educational activities and decision-making. Every parent or guardian of a student at Maple Lane is a member of the Maple Lane PAC and is encouraged to become involved.

The **first P.A.C. meeting** for this school year will be held **in the library** next week on **Wednesday, October 4th 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** Babysitting will be provided by Grade 7 students.

IMPORTANT FORMS

Student Verification Forms

Please ask your children for their ORANGE Student Verification Form that is being sent home with them on Friday September 15th. This form should be reviewed by parents to make sure that all student information, including contact numbers and medical information is correct. **Please return the ORANGE Student Verification Form back to school by Wednesday, September 20th, 2017.**

Media Release Form

Please return the Media Release / Email Consent form that will be sent home on Friday September 15th. You have to tick the 'Yes' to receive school district emails. If we don't hear from you, or you choose 'No', then you will not receive the school emails and newsletters. **The Media Release Form should be returned to school by Wednesday, September 20th, 2017.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters will be written for the last Friday of every month and, when needed, the middle Friday of the month. We will be putting them on our website along with other school information. Check it out!



Website address: maplelane.sd38.bc.ca

PLEASE NOTE: A few years ago, we implemented electronic newsletters. If you choose to not receive electronic newsletters, please remember to watch for the latest newsletters on our website.

**** Please make sure to add maplelane@sd38.bc.ca to your contacts list, so that emails go to your inbox and not your junk mail!**

PLEASE NOTE: NEWSLETTERS WILL ALWAYS BE SENT ELECTRONICALLY BY EMAIL. If you do not have access to a computer, please let Mr. Mason know and arrangements can be made. Thank you for your help in this matter.

