AMMOND NEWS

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Newsletter #7 - June 13, 2022

At Hammond Elementary, students and staff work hard to build a positive school culture. We believe that everyone has a responsibility to create a caring, safe and orderly learning environment.

Upcoming Events

Jun 1 Gr. 4/5 Track Meet at MRS

Jun 2 Gr. 6/7 Track Meet at MRSS

Reptile Guy Jun 8

Grade 6/7 Waterslides Jun 15

K - Gr. 5 Sports Day

Jun 17 PAC Fun Day

Jun 21 Grade 7 Leaving Ceremonies

Jun 23 Last Day for Students

Early Dismissal 12:00

Jun 24 Admin Day

Welcome back! Sep 6 First day of School Late Start 12:30 to 2:20

Sep 23 Student Photo Day

Sep 30 National Truth and

Reconciliation Day - no classes

Non Instructional Day - no Oct 3 classes

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It has been another great year at Hammond Elementary and I cannot believe how fast the year has gone! This year marks a great transition as we moved from many restrictions to the world opening up for us again. I am so proud of the work we have done to try and make things as normal for students as possible and as the world opened back up, we tried to do so in a way that honoured varying comfort levels. It was such a joy to witness the amazing academic work from our students and it was also so wonderful to watch our students compete in sports, long distance and track and field! I am proud of our students for rising to the challenges faced and meeting them with such resiliency.

As this is my last year at Hammond, I would like to thank the staff, parents, students, PAC, Montessori Society and all other volunteers for making Hammond such an amazing community over the last five years! I can't believe how fast the time has gone and I will take so many amazing memories with me. Thank you for everything Hammond!

Stay safe, take good care of each other and have a great Summer!

Sincerely. Wes Reamsbottom

STAFFING UPDATE...

We have a number of staff changes for next year. We appreciate the commitment and dedication they have shown to our students, and we wish them all the best in their new endeavours;

We say farewell to the following staff members:

Mr. Reamsbottom, Ms. Edgett (maternity leave), Ms. Tyne, Ms. Irvine, Ms. Burke, Ms Duclos (retiring), Ms. Blanchard-Willoughby (retiring), Mr. Saedi-Mepham, Ms. Barron

We say hello to the following new staff members and congratulate those that have accepted longer positions:

Ms Neufeld, Alex Marin (new EA position), Ms. Voytechek (new Support Teacher position), Kristin Stewart (EA), Brayden Silva (EA)

MOVING OR LEAVING...

If you know that you will be leaving the school next year because you are moving or have other plans, please let the school office know as soon as possible so that we can make necessary changes before school starts. If you are moving out of District, there is a form to fill out to give us permission to release your child/childrens' files to the next school.

2022/2023 TIME CHANGE ...

Please take note that end of school pick up time will change back to 2:20 pm for the 2022/2023 School Year.

TERRY FOX DAY...

Thanks to the Hammond families for your generous donations, our Terry Fox fundraising campaign was a huge success again this year. Together we reached a total of \$1,845.00! A big thank you to all the adult family members who volunteered their time to help supervise the run and keep students safe. And another big thank you to our amazing Leadership Students who volunteered their time and energy to be part of the Terry Fox Run Committee:

Kira Amber Java Johnston Joshua Romero Vasquez Mason Arychuk Kolton Kabrud Jahuel Santamaria Emma Kelner Aleksys Scramstad Zinat Azizi Sudenaz Kilic Logan Seabrook Dominic Belong Selena Beveridge Rowe Viviana Kwak Mohammed Shamsa Deacon Charbonneau Tristan Knorr Viena Siller Jasmine Chum Ben Lemonnier Jaydan Stead Blake Cruikshank Rachel Manzi Ella Stewart Logan Davidson Amanat Tehmoor Kiara Martin Landon Dudulec Tiana Martin Linden Tober Tannaz Fazel Melraine Mercado Jessika Upper Paityn Gaffney-BigCharles Jasper Vanderzalm Panya Miroshnik Jem Mullen Daniel Wang Ethan Ganon Mason Hamilton-Newberry Chase Murdock **Amira Watkins** Paige Nicholson Allen Wells Reet HAnsra Ella Hemmerling Tristan Pressney Karter Wickens Abigail Hewitt Hartley Jordan Redoblado Kayden Young Zahra Himoud **Grayson Roberts** Tarence Xayasomphou

We would also like to thank Ms. Jones and Ms. Dingwall for the tireless volunteer work organizing the Terry Fox run event!

TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS...

What a fantastic time our students had to be finally able to go to a Track and Field event. We sure missed doing it! These are the top 10 finishes for the Grade 4/5 events:

Grade 4 boys 100m - Inti in Div. 14 made the final and finished 8th

Grade 4 boys 4x100m relay - Luka Div.14, Braden Div. 13, Inti Div. 14, Aiden Div. 14 made the final, finished 8th

Grade 4 boys 200m - Int Div. 14 finished 9th

Grade 5 boys long jump - Karter Div. 5 finished 9th

Grade 5 boys shot put - Cash Div. 5 finished 5th

Grade 5 boys high jump - Braden Div. 13 finished in a tie for 3rd

Grade 5 boys 200m - Jordan Div. 4 finished 2nd

Grade 6 boys 4x100m relay - Noah Div. 2, Kayden Y. Div. 12, Jem Div. 12, Josh Div. 12

Grade 6 boys 800m - Nicholas Div 2 finished 10th

Grade 7 boys Shotput - Jordan Div. 12 finished 3rd

Grade 7 boys 800m - Nahuel Div. 12 finished 1st

Grade 7 boys high jump - Josh Div. 12 finished 2nd

Grade 7 boys shotput - Josh Div. 12 finished 1st

Grade 7 boys 100m - Josh Div. 12 finished 1st

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR ATHLETES! GO SCORPIONS!

And a big thank you to Ms. Jones for all her hard work organizing Track and Field!

GRADE 7 SCHOOL LEAVING...

On Tuesday, June 21st we will have a celebration for the grade sevens. Information about the day has been sent home about the schedule for the day. We wish all our Grade 7's all the best as they head off to high school!

YEARBOOK...

Thank you to the PAC and the Yearbook student helpers, for organizing an opportunity for students to have a yearbook. It is a great memento for our students.

LIBRARY NEWS...

A big thanks to the Hammond PAC and the volunteers who raised \$1,800 from the Book Fair. The funds will allow us to continue to expand and diversify our library. Please note all library books are due back by June 10th.

WESTVIEW BEGINNING BAND...

For students interested in band next year, please keep an eye out for information. If you have any further questions, please email the band director at Westview at linda_jensen@sd42.ca.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL...

The first day of school is **Tuesday**, **September 6**, **20221 with a late start of 12:30 pm to 2:20 pm**. This will allow for important meetings and preparation to happen before welcoming students. Students will be returning to their last year's classroom on this morning and new students to Hammond will report to the library.



Please use the parent portal for lates or absences or you can email ha_reception@sd42.ca or call the school at 604-460-1136.

It is important the school know about lates and absences for the safety of our students before the school day starts.

Kindergarten students have a gradual entry plan. This plan will be sent to parents in early July. New kindergarten students do not attend the first two days to allow for teacher/parent intake meetings.

STRONGSTART...

The StrongStart program at Hammond will be open for drop-in between 8:30 - 11:30 Monday through Fridays starting again in September, 2022. Opening Day will be announced at a later date.



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS...

The principal will be available at times during the last two weeks of summer vacation. The secretary will be in the office starting the week of August 29th, 2022

PAC NEWS...

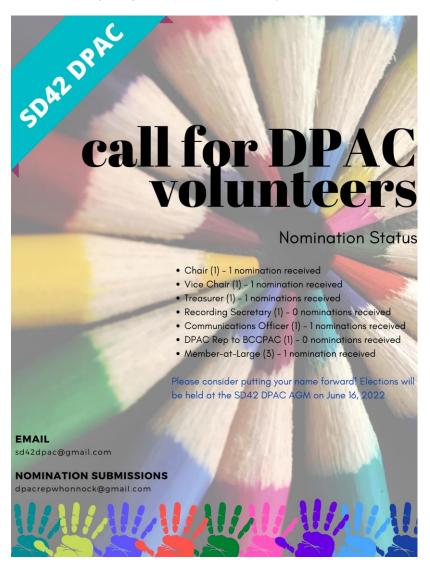
Hammond Elementary PAC would like to thank Hammond families for a great year! We have enjoyed organizing hot lunches (thanks, Angela Bell!), fundraisers (thanks, Darcey Kelner!), a pumpkin patch, book fairs, hot chocolate days, a planetarium visit, the experience of watching butterflies emerge, a reptile visit, and fun day. PAC has also been able to help update emergency supplies, and purchase wish list items for staff which have included, games, musical instruments, a paper cutter and Keva planks. Thank you to our staff for their support and enthusiasm.

We would like to thank those individuals who have attended meetings, and/or volunteered their time, skills, and ideas. This year we say good-bye to two long-standing PAC exec. members, Stacey Burke and Carrie Zilliax. Thank you for your years of dedication. You will be missed!

All parents/guardians with children registered at Hammond Elementary are members of PAC. Our first meeting will be on September 12 when we will start planning fun and educational activities. From October-June the meetings are on the first Monday of each month at 6:30. Please watch for the zoom link in September.

The PAC executive for next year is as follows: Laetisha Biles - President Angela Bell - Vice -President Amanda Young - Secretary Lawren Caponero - Treasurer Jana Hill - DPAC Representative

Please join us on our Facebook page (Hammond Elementary PAC). Questions/concerns may be emailed to hammondelempac@gmail.com We wish everyone a safe summer and look forward to next year!



COMMUNITY NEWS...

Make reading fun this summer! Kids who read over the summer do better at school. Join the Fraser Valley Regional Library Summer Reading Club. Visit www.fvrl.ca.

School Supplies for 2022-2023

To help families collect their children's personal school supplies, September (2022) Hammond Elementary, is charging a flat fee of \$55 **per child** (planner included). This flat fee of \$55 **per child** will cover ALL personal school supplies (planner included) that each child will need for the school year. Intermediate classes will be given a list of items that are required and not included in the flat fee but may not need to be purchased each year **Parents will have the option to pay \$55 once in September or over two installments (September-\$30, February-\$25).** For most families this means....one payment, once a year, to take care of all their child(ren)'s personal school supply needs. This flat fee will ensure that school supplies bought for all students:

- Are the appropriate learning supplies for the grade level
- Are of good quality and will last the year
- Are cost effective
- Will eliminate the "hassle" factor many families experience struggling to find required supplies
- Will help to reduce visible inequalities with regards to student socio economic situations by ensuring everyone has the consistent and comparable learning materials

How will this process work?

Classroom teachers will bulk order the required student school supplies in June and through out the year as needed. Supplies will be delivered to the school in August and will be ready for use when children arrive in September. Teachers will ensure that students have the school supplies children require through out the school year. If a child leaves part way through the year they will be provided with supplies to take with them for their new school.

Any families with additional questions about this process, or who are concerned about financial hardship, are encouraged to speak with their classroom teacher directly for assistance.

The following items are required for <u>INTERMEDIATE STUDENTS ONLY (Gr. 4 to Gr</u> 7) but may not need to be purchased each year:

- 1 pair scissors metal 7" right or left hand
- 1 plastic ruler (30 cm long marked in cm/mm)
- pencil box/case
- 1 calculator, basic 8 digit, dual power
- geometry set (compass, protractor) Grade 6/7
- 1 usb flash drive, 4gb
- set of headphones
- 1 2 or 3 inch Binder
- 1 box of pastels
- pair of clean, "non-marking", inside running shoes. (we encourage students to wear proper "running shoes" which are to be used for gym as well as inside shoes.)
- 1 gym strip (t-shirt, shorts, drawstring bag)



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2022 - 2023 School Calendar

National Truth and Reconciliation Day Friday, September 30, 2022 Non-Instructional Day (School Growth Planning Day)
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Thanksgiving Day Stat
Non-Instructional Day (province-wide)Friday, October 21, 2022
Remembrance Day Stat Friday, November 11, 2022
Early Dismissal for Conferencing (11:30 am dismissal) Tuesday, November 29, 2022
Conferencing Day
Last day before Winter Vacation
Winter Vacation
Schools Reopen after Winter Vacation
Non-Instructional Day (district based) Monday January 23 2023
Family Day Stat
Non-Instructional Day (school based)
Early Dismissal for Conferencing (11:30 am)
Conferencing Day Friday March 10, 2023
Conferencing Day Friday, March 17, 2023
Schools Not in Session
Spring Break
Schools reopen after Spring BreakMonday, March 27, 2023
Good Friday Friday, April 7, 2023
Easter Monday Monday, April 10, 2023
Non-Instructional Day (district based)
Victoria DayMonday, May 22, 2023
Non-Instructional Day (district based)
Year-end Administrative Day Friday, June 30, 2023
Schools Close for Summer Vacation

SCHOOL HOURS & BELL SCHEDULE

Warning Bell: 8:25 am Classes Begin: 8:30 am

Recess: 10:20 – 10:35 am Lunch: 11:50 - 12:30 pm

Classes Dismissed: 2:20 pm



EARLY BIRD
SPECIAL
Register by May 15
and save!

July & August 2022

Send your kid to university this summer! Designed especially for Grades 4, 5, and 6 (campers going into Grade 4 or 7 are eligible), UFV's Science Rocks! camps are fun and an awesome learning opportunity for your kids.

Each camp week is different! Kids get to learn something new, see real science labs, play outside, and experiment with fun activities that explore physics, biology, chemistry, mathematics, and computer science. Many of the weeks will also include geography and kinesiology activities.

ABBOTSFORD CAMPS

CAMP 1: July 4-8

Cryptography, Codes, and Crime Scenes!

Each day one or two of the activities will focus on math, mystery, problem solving and uncovering hidden secrets! Partially supported by a grant from the Canadian Mathematical Society.

CAMP 2: July 11-15

Lasers, Light Sabers, and Lightening!

Each day one or two of the activities will focus on things that glow, and interesting behaviours of fire and light!

CAMP 3: July 18-22

Energy, Engines, and Explosions!

Each day will include one or two activities focusing on the themes of speed, power, forces, and even safe explosions!

CHILLIWACK CAMPS

CAMP 4: August 2-5*

Cryptography, Codes, and Crime Scenes!

Each day one or two of the activities will focus on math, mystery, problem solving and uncovering hidden secrets! Partially supported by a grant from the Canadian Mathematical Society.

CAMP 5: August 8-12

Energy, Engines, and Explosions!

Each day will include one or two activities focusing on the themes of speed, power, forces, and even safe explosions!

CAMP 6: August 15-19

Lasers, Light Sabers, and Lightening!

Each day one or two of the activities will focus on things that glow, and interesting behaviours of fire and light!

ABOUT THE CAMPS:

Time: 9 am - 4 pm

Location: UFV Abbotsford and Chilliwack Campuses

Student/leader ratio: We have a limit of 24 campers/week, with a camper to instructor ratio of 8:1. One or more UFV science faculty members will be on site at all times.

Cost: \$300 per camp. Lunch and camp t-shirt included. Ask us about our discounts for a single camper attending multiple camps or multiple siblings attending the camps, as well as our student, alumni and employee discounts! Visit us online at ufv.ca/science-rocks to find out how you can save!

* Short week, price discounted by 20%.

Questions? Contact Robin Endelman, Coordinator by phone at 1-888-504-7441 ext 4779 or email at sciencerocks@ufv.ca

Register online! ufv.ca/science-rocks

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^{**} We will be following appropriate safety measures in place at the time of the camps



It's really tough to be going through hard stuff with a child or youth who is struggling with their mental health and they end up in crisis - and we want to help you. We know what it's like because we've been there.

TOPICS: REGION: FRASER

Dates: June 6, 2022 Session 1& 2:

How to Support a Safety Plan at Home June 13, 2022 June 15, 2022

Session 3:

How to Take Care of Yourself and Family After a Crisis

Session 4:

How to Find the Resources You Need

There is no cost to families. Registration is required: www.familysmart.ca/workshops

June 8, 2022

Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Dates: June 7, 2022

> June 9, 2022 June 14, 2022 June 16, 2022

Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Help for the Hard Times workshops are facilitated by parents with lived experience. The workshops are hosted online and include a one-on-one videoconference or phone call with a Facilitator.

INFORMATION FROM CITY OF PITT MEADOWS:

Summer Programs Coming Soon!

Our summer program guide is now available online and will be available in printed format on Monday, May 16. Browse the City of Pitt Meadows Parks, Recreation & Culture Guide for a variety of activities and programs for all age groups! Registration for summer programs opens on May 31 at 8 am. Visit www.pittmeadows.ca/programguide.

Youth Lounge at Pitt Meadows Family Recreation Centre!

This safe place is for youth ages 11-18 years old. For an annual membership of \$10, youth members can access the Youth lounge and enjoy activities such as billiards, foosball, table tennis, PlayStation pods, and special events. For details visit www.pittmeadows.ca/youth.

Pitt Meadows Park Playboxes

<u>Live 5-2-1-0 Playboxes</u> provide unlimited access for families to get outdoors and engage in active play. Everyone is able to access the box and it is **FREE**. The Playboxes are stocked with sports equipment, interactive play equipment and a manual of active game ideas to help guide family play and connection. Pitt Meadows has two Live 5-2-1-0 Playboxes available located at Pitt Meadows Athletic Park by the playground and at Waterfront Commons Park in Osprey Village beside the path to the river. Playboxes have been filled and are ready to go, all you have to do is open the box and have fun with your family and friends. Remember to put the equipment back in the box once you are finished!

Parent & Child Playtime at the Pitt Meadows Family Recreation Centre

Looking for an indoor activity? The PMFRC offers low cost <u>Parent & Child Playtime</u> on Monday and Wednesdays (10-11:30 am) and Saturdays (9-11 am) for \$1 per child.

Harris Spray Park - FREE

Season runs from June to September 9 am to 8 pm, weather permitting. Visit www.pittmeadows.ca/sprayparkfor more details.

Harris Road Outdoor Pool

Season is open from July 1 to September 2. Visit www.pittmeadows.ca/pool for details.

Upcoming Pitt Meadows FREE Family Events

The City of Pitt Meadows proudly hosts several signature and community events throughout the year. Upcoming events include Pitt Meadows Day on June 4, the Pride Concert on June 16, Canada Day on July 1, as well as the Summer Serenade Concert Series starting in July.





Under the Tree, Whonnock 9975 272nd Street, Maple Ridge, BC V2W 1M4



Contact us for registration msutherland@familyed.ca