

Whonnock Elementary

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Message from the Principal:

Dear Whonnock Families,

It has been a great year at Whonnock Elementary and I cannot believe how fast the year has gone! There were so many wonderful events for students this year including: Boohooville, Gratitude Feast, Terry Fox Run, Track and Field, Cross Country, Cultus Lake and Fun Day just to name a few! I am so proud of the work we have done at Whonnock this year to try and make Whonnock the best place it can be for students, staff and our community. It was such a joy to witness the amazing work from our students on their gallery and identity days and it was also so wonderful to watch our students compete in sports, long distance, track and field and Fine Arts performances! I am proud of our students for rising to the challenges faced and meeting them with such resiliency. As I am moving from Whonnock at the end of this year, I would like to take a moment to thank our amazing staff, students, PAC, and all other volunteers for making Whonnock such an amazing community! I can't believe how fast this year has gone! Whonnock is truly an amazing place! Stay safe, take good care of each other and have a great Summer!

Mr. Wes Reamsbottom



Upcoming Events

June 2 - Ready, Set, Kindergarten!

June 6 - Div 5 Bake Sale

June 7

Whonnock's Got Talent! 12:45 in the Gym

June 9 - FUN DAY!!

June 12 - Body Science in the Library

June 16

Div 1-5 @ Cultus Lake Waterslides

June 22

Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony

June 29

Last Day for Students - 12:00 Dismissal

June 30 - Administration Day

July 4-July 5 - Office Open for Year End Close

We would like to say goodbye to...

Mrs. Durant (Happy Retirement!!)
Ms. Whitley, Ms. Molnarne, Ms. Stroup,
Mr. Jigar, Ms. Karesnti (enjoy your Maternity Leave!!) Ms. Blanchard-Willoughby, Ms. Nielsen, Ms. Roberts and Mr. Reamsbottom, thank you ALL for your hard work and dedication to our school.



Important School News

ABSCENSES – If you know your student will not be attending school, please email, call, or post on the parent portal please.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR SEPT 2023 – We will be accepting payment on the parent portal, or directly to your current classroom in cash or cheque for next year's school supplies. The portal announcement will be going out shortly.

LOST AND FOUND – Is in the entry of our school or outside, please have a peek before it heads off to the thrift shop.

MOVING - if you are going to be moving over the summer, please let the school office know so we can get an accurate picture for our student numbers for next year.



With warmer weather in the forecast, we would like to encourage students to have a hat, sunscreen on, and a **water bottle** for the day.

We also appreciate parent support by ensuring students are dressed appropriately for the heat.

Please check the school website @ www.schools.sd42.ca/Whonnock for our schools current events, forms and information for parents, and staff information. It is updated a few times each month.

PAC - There is a new garden committee, anyone interested in finding out more can reach out to Carley @ whonnockgardencommittee@gmail.com



CONGRATULATIONS to all our Grade 7s for completing 8 years of elementary school. We are very proud of all our students and their various accomplishments over the years!! We wish you the best of luck as you move on to high school!!

LIBRARY - All books will need to be returned to the library no later than June 9th. Notices will be sent home to students with overdue books after that. Please contact Ms. Emond by email if there are any misplaced books or if you receive a notice; but have previously returned the item.



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There is a display outside the library with summer literacy ideas. Encourage your child(ren) to come take a look! Happy Reading!

A colorful illustration for the 'Journey Through Time' Summer Reading Club 2023. It features various dinosaurs, a T-Rex holding a selfie stick, a Triceratops with a guitar, and a Stegosaurus. A small boat with people is in the sky. The text 'JOURNEY THROUGH TIME' is in large, bold letters, with 'SUMMER READING CLUB 2023' below it.

JOURNEY THROUGH TIME
SUMMER READING CLUB 2023

ENCOURAGE KIDS TO JOIN SUMMER READING CLUB

Journey Through Time! Travel through time at FVRL this summer by joining the 2023 Summer Reading Club. There's a club for everyone! – kids, teens and adults – and it's all absolutely free!

Make reading fun this summer! Kids who read over the summer do better at school. Join SRC in person or online at www.fvrl.ca to. Track your family reading. You can read anything – novels, picture books, information books, graphic novels, magazines, audiobooks, ebooks, websites, etc.


There are many ways to encourage your children to participate in SRC:

- Enter contests and win prizes
- Earn a medal
- Participate in fun activities online
- See amazing performers

There is so much to discover when you join 2023 Summer Reading Club and *Journey Through Time!*




Liza Morris
Community Librarian
Maple Ridge Public Library

Visit www.fvrl.ca → Literacy tab → Summer Reading Club


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Sponsored by the British Columbia Library Association and your local public library with the generous assistance of Public Libraries Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and CUPE BC.

BC SRC welcomes all children and their families' participation and seeks to provide an accessible and fully inclusive program. Illustration by Jeni Chen. Design by Lauren Achtem © 2022

Education Assistant Program at Ridge Meadows College

As you may know, the need for Education Assistants in our district is still very high, with the district expecting to hire many more in the coming years. If you or someone you know may be interested in a career working with children and youth with diverse abilities, Ridge Meadows College (operated by SD42) still has seats available for its September or January Education Assistant cohorts. EAs assist K-12 students with unique physical, behavioural or learning needs. If you'd like to learn more about the program, you can visit the website at <https://rmcollege.sd42.ca/program/education-assistant/> or register for an [information session](#).

Have your say in B.C.'s largest population health survey

Public Health has launched the third round of the SPEAK population health survey.

The survey is open to adults aged 18 years and older and asks about physical and mental health, as well as social and economic well-being. The results will help support programs and initiatives to improve the health of your community. Participate now

Regional health authorities, First Nations Health Authorities and the BC Centre for Disease Control are hoping people living in every part of British Columbia participate. This year, they are particularly interested in hearing from racialized communities, people living in rural parts of the province, people with children or young adults in their lives, men aged under the age of 35, people aged 75 and older, and people with lower incomes and education.

Please consider participating to help public health understand your community's health and well-being needs. Once you participate, please share with your friends, loved ones, and network so their experiences are also captured. Please help support those who may need help with completing the survey. The SPEAK survey is available in English, French, Simplified and Traditional Chinese, Punjabi, Farsi, Arabic, Spanish, Vietnamese, and Korean. Learn more about the survey bccdc.ca/SpeakSurvey

UPLAN'S

YOUTH TANK

TICKETS
uplanrm.ca

Saturday June 10
7pm (Doors 6:30)

Albion Community Centre

(24165 104 Avenue, Maple Ridge)



EVENT INFORMATION

Have you ever seen Share Tank? Introducing Youth Tank. Join us as the next generation of entrepreneurs present their innovative business ideas to Maple Ridge's esteemed business professionals.

These young minds are vying to secure up to \$5000 in funding to support their business development.

DON'T MISS THIS EXCITING OPPORTUNITY!

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Did your child have their routine vaccinations?

This year, students in grade 6 and 9 were offered routine vaccines at school immunization clinics. If your child missed receiving their vaccines, please book an appointment with their family practitioner, pharmacist, community vaccine provider or local public health unit. Routine vaccinations are free in B.C.

Not all family practitioners and pharmacies offer vaccines, so make sure to call ahead. For a list of pharmacies and community vaccine providers visit fraserhealth.ca/getimmunized.

To book an appointment at a public health unit call:

- 604-702-4906 (people who live in Mission, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Agassiz and Hope)
- 604-476-7087 (people who live in all other areas of Fraser Health)

Make sure your child's immunization records are up-to-date

If your child was immunized at the school immunization clinic, we entered the vaccines into your child's electronic record and no action is required by you.

If your child received their routine immunizations outside of a school clinic, for example, their family practitioner or pharmacy, please submit your child's vaccine record online at: fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform.

If your child received COVID-19 vaccine(s) outside of B.C., please submit your child's record to the Ministry of Health at: <https://immunizationrecord.gov.bc.ca/>.

To check to see if your child's vaccines are up-to-date for:

- Routine vaccines – use the online Vaccination Status Indicator Tool at <https://immunizebc.ca/vaccination-status-indicator>
- COVID-19 vaccines – use the online provincial database (Health Gateway) at <https://www.fraserhealth.ca/health-topics-a-to-z/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/immunization-record#.YICyLrbMI2w>

COVID-19 vaccine

The COVID-19 vaccine is provided free to everyone who is eligible at COVID-19 vaccine clinics. For more information and to learn how to book a COVID-19 vaccination appointment, please visit: gov.bc.ca/GetVaccinated.

For more information, please contact your local public health unit or visit our website at: fraserhealth.ca/immunizations.

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