

# CHIEF MAQUINNA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2684 East 2nd Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5M 1C9

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## **Newsletter #5 January 6, 2020**

Office hours are 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT NOTICE. PLEASE HAVE SOMEONE TRANSLATE IT 這是一份重要通告・請找人爲你翻譯。 중요 공지 – 영어를 읽지 못하시는 분은 번역을 부탁하십시오



## Reminders/Calendar

January 8	Grade 6/7 Meeting 5PM in Library
January 8	PAC Meeting 6PM in Library
January 24	No Assembly
January 25	Lunar New Year
January 27-3	1 Book Fair in Library
January 31	Communicating Student Learning document sent home

## **QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

Whenever you feel discouraged, just remember, you are the centre of the universe to tiny humans you made from scratch. You're kind of a big deal.

We live, work and learn on the traditional lands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Coast Salish people.

We wish to acknowledge the history of our neighborhood and community as we have all benefited from the richness of their teachings.

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! We have started off with a bang-calendars are hitting staff with dates for things to be packed up and ready for our move after spring break. Today, we started reverse lunch (students play first then eat) for the whole school and students are eating lunch in their classrooms in preparation for our space availability at Seymour. Please take a few moments this week to review goal-setting for the time between now and spring break with your child. Adults often have New Year's Resolutions-this is a great time for children to review their own goals as we start term 2.

With respect, Bruce

## PAC MEETING DATES

All PAC meetings are at 6pm in our school library. Babysitting will be provided.

- January 8, 2020
- February 12, 2020
- March 11, 2020
- April 8, 2020
- May 13, 2020
- June 10, 2020

## STUDENT ABSENCE REPORTING

We continue to experience challenges with parents phoning in student absences. The Vancouver School Board has implemented a new system for reporting student absences this year. Please remember to report absences by dialing 604-713-5159 and then entering the school code 49. Students who arrive at school AFTER attendance is taken are reminded to come to the office to get a welcome slip so their teacher knows we have recorded their arrival.

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for children born in 2015 is open. Students who are registered before January 31, 2020 have priority for space in their catchment schools; if you are planning to apply for a choice program, your child MUST be enrolled by January 31.

## 25 QUESTIONS TO ASK INSTEAD OF "HOW WAS YOUR DAY"

- 1. What made you smile today?
- 2. Can you tell me an example of kindness you saw/showed?
- 3. Was there an example of unkindness? How did you respond?
- 4. Does everyone have a friend at recess?
- 5. What was the book about that your teacher read?
- 6. What's the word of the week?
- 7. Did anyone do anything silly to make you laugh?
- 8. Did anyone cry?
- 9. What did you do that was creative?
- 10. What is the most popular game at recess?
- 11. What was the best thing that happened today?
- 12. Did you help anyone today?
- 13. Did you tell anyone "thank you?"
- 14. Who did you sit with at lunch?
- 15. What made you laugh?
- 16. Did you learn something you didn't understand?
- 17. Who inspired you today?
- 18. What was the peak and the pit?
- 19. What was your least favorite part of the day?
- 20. Was anyone in your class gone today?
- 21. Did you ever feel unsafe?
- 22. What is something you heard that surprised you?
- 23. What is something you saw that made you think?
- 24. Who did you play with today?
- 25. Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.