

In the Hawks Nest

At Hans Helgesen Elementary

June 30, 2022

The last couple of weeks has been a whirlwind of field trips and other adventures for our students. It has been wonderful to be able to experience a full Fun Day, PAC Fun Night, Beach Day and Grade 5 celebrations through the eyes of our students.

The following staff members will be leaving our school. We would like to thank them for the excellent service they have given to the students and community of Hans Helgesen Elementary:

- Ms. Natalie Boyd
- Ms. Julia Falzon - Ms. Madison Dahl
- Ms. Emily Melville
- Mr. Dylan Karleen
- Ms. Liska RodgerMs. Kristen O'Reilly
- Ms. Michelle Spencer - Ms. Michaella Carter
- -Ms. Brittney Corkery

It has been a pleasure working with them this year. We wish them well in their new adventures.

If you are leaving Hans Helgesen, we wish you all the best and hope you will keep in touch.

We would like to thank all of the members of the staff for the service, dedication, and commitment they have given to the school. Hych'ka!

We hope you have a wonderful break, full of adventures and laughter! Keep safe and enjoy some time in the sun! See you back on the 6th.

Upcoming Dates

- Sept. 6th First Day of School 8:25 11:41
- Sept. 7th full days of school begin
- Sept. 19th Non-Instructional Day
- Sept. 22nd Photo Day
- Sept. 30th National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
- Oct. 10th Thanksgiving
- Oct. 21st Non-Instructional Day
- Nov. 11th Remembrance Day
- Nov. 24th Early Dismissal 11:38 am
- Nov. 25th Non-Instructional day
- Dec. 19th Jan. 2nd 2023 Winter Break



Our school is grateful to be learning on the traditional lands of Scia'new Beecher Bay Nation, and we raise our hands to thank them for sharing this beautiful land.







Kindergarten gradual entry

- Monday, Sept. 12th, 8:25 11:41
- Tuesday, Sept. 13th, 12:41 2:38

Kindergarten first full day

• Wednesday, Sept. 14th, 8:25 - 2:38



Medication Form

If your child has medical needs including allergies/ anaphylaxis that the school staff should be aware of (medications, special medical instructions) please fill in the linked form, have your doctor sign it over the summer and return it to the school first thing in September.

Summer Reading

Please make time to read each day of the summer. Even five minutes will make a difference in the retention of reading skills gained this school year. Children can read by themselves or to their family, to your pets or a stuffed animal, under a tree in the backyard... really anywhere and anytime. You will never regret the adventures you find in books.

Our local library has a wonderful selection of books and a fun program for the <u>summer reading</u>.

Behind the Scaffolding

The final stucco layers are on the building and we see the finish line! What a massive project to learn from this year. When students arrive next year, the school should be complete and ready to go.

Thank you to everyone who endured this allencompassing project with such flexibility and understanding. Maybe the work inspired future developers and tradespeople amongst our students?



School Supplies for Next Year

We have moved to a bulk class order for supplies and as such will not be sending home school supply lists. Our aim is to reduce the cost of school supplies for families. The cost will be \$40.00 per student for supplies for the year.

In September the easiest way to make payment will be through **School Cash Online**. This program is used to pay school and district fees online without the need for cash or cheques. Once you are registered you can use it until your child graduates to make all payments to schools. Many of our families are already registered however if you have not, please see the information below for signing up to School Cash Online. Don't forget payment for school supplies does not start until September!

The steps to complete to sign up for Cash Online are listed below:

1. Complete the Online Consent Form by copying and pasting the following link into your web browser

https://consent.sd62.bc.ca/apps/OnlineConsent Once you have completed the Online consent form for Cash Online it will take 24-48 hours before you can move to Step # 3 and attach your student(s) to your account.

- 2.Register for a School Cash Online account https://www.sd62.bc.ca/parents/school-fees
- 3. Attach your students at School Cash Online. When attaching your students to your account you will need their PEN number.

For inquiries or assistance please email schoolcashschool@sd62.bc.ca.

Taking Care of Hans Helgesen

If you are at the school over the holiday, we hope you will be our eyes and ears. We rarely have vandalism to the school, however if you see anything of unsafe or concerning behaviours at the school, please contact **911** or the Non-Emergency number of the Westshore RCMP **250-474-2264** Thank you!

Thank you for your continued support! We wish you a wonderful summer

Cathy & Joanne