

# Nightingale News

## “PROUD TO BE HAWKS”

Honest, Awesome Attitude, Working hard, Kind, Safe



*We acknowledge that we live, work and play on the unceded and traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples – Squamish, Tsleil-Waututh and Musqueam nations*

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Newsletter

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### WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Dear Parent/Guardians,

We can't believe it is almost mid-May! We continue to need your help and support in keeping us all safe as we work to ensure we are continuing to follow the Public Health Officer's orders and Health and Safety guidelines and protocols. Thank you for your ongoing efforts, support, and understanding. Some reminders:

- VSB staff & students only are permitted in the school (no public access to the school building)
- Make space at entrances and exits for other families to enter/exit the school safely
- Contact the school office @ 604 713-5290 if your child is being picked up for an appointment

### CEREMONY OF BELONGING

To mark the completion of our House Post, Nightingale will be hosting a ceremony of belonging May 26<sup>th</sup>. The ceremony will be streamed to classrooms due to COVID-19 restrictions on limited gathering.

Our gratitude goes to Master Aaron Moody (Splash) and Ocean for their continued time and dedication towards the completion (on-line) of the project despite the pandemic!



Students watching the VSB Grounds Crew at work!



### OUTDOOR LEARNING SPACE

Work on our new Outdoor Learning Classroom has begun much sooner than we expected! Nightingale was filled with excitement and energy as the VSB grounds staff prepared the site! The outdoor classroom will consist of 12 boulders seating areas, a teaching stone and some trees.

In the coming weeks, we are hoping to have the trees delivered and in place prior to the break. In addition, the grounds department will top the area with fresh soil and overseed it to grow the grass back. The area will then be fenced off for approximately 1-2 months to allow for germination.

Appreciation to our Nightingale Garden Committee for your thoughtful planning! Thank you to Geoff Pearman, our Grounds Supervisor for working with numerous schools, including Nightingale, for your support in creating much needed outdoor learning space for our students! We look forward to the completion of this project!

## 2020-2021 - WE ARE PROUD TO BE HAWKS

### Active Transportation - Wheels to School Week

Much appreciation goes to Alexander Audet for registering us for this important event! This event will run from May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 4<sup>th</sup>. Due to Covid-19 measures, we are looking at scheduling 2 to 3 classes each day to ride their bike/wheel to school. Appreciation goes to Ms. Wong and Ms. Stanke for sponsoring and advocating for active transportation. As soon as we have finalized the schedule, we will send it out to families. Thank you, Alexandra Audet, for providing us with the space to determine the possibility of having this event! It is imperative that this community event follows Safety guidelines and protocols already in place at Nightingale.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

If you are not returning in September 2021-2022, please contact our office asap as this will help us with planning our classes for next school year.

Please notify the school office if your address and/or contact numbers have changed. In the event of an emergency, it is important that the school has up to date information on file. We must be able to contact a parent/guardian and/or a designated emergency contact person at all times. If you do not have designated emergency contacts on file, please provide the necessary information to Ms. Carm, in the office, as soon as possible.

Reminder: **Virtual Communicating Student Learning** (Parent-Teacher Conferences) will take place on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. On this day dismissal will be at 2:00 pm.

Each teacher will conduct CSL in ways that is most suitable for them to celebrate your child's learning. If you have any questions on this, please contact your child's classroom teacher.



Thank you to our wonderful Nightingale Staff for engaging our students in acts of kindness: students are writing letters, creating cards etc. for essential workers, SPCA etc.