

CHIEF MAQUINNA ELEMENTARY

MARCH 2021

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

The great person shows their greatness by the way they treat the little person.

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

It's hard to believe that at this time last year we were planning spring break vacations. So much has changed in a year. We continue to operate within all the health directives issued by VCH and the Vancouver School Board. Please ensure you're doing your daily health checks before you send your child to school. We have luckily, so far, had zero student cases at Maquina. This is in large part due to your efforts. Please consider your bubbles as numbers rise again. We are all looking forward to a break and some rest. Please continue to keep safe!

MOVING??

It's hard to believe but we are already well into the process of planning for the 2021-22 school year. If you plan on moving or attending elsewhere next year, could you please let the office know as soon as you possibly could so that we can start firming up our numbers for planning purposes.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 3 STUDENT LED CONFERENCES (Early dismissal 1:45pm)
- March 4 STUDENT LED CONFERENCES (Early dismissal 1:45pm)
- March 9 PAC MEETING 5:30PM VIA ZOOM
- March 12 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BEFORE SPRING BREAK
- March 29 SCHOOL RESUMES

LOOKING AHEAD

APRIL 2 GOOD FRIDAY-SCHOOL CLOSED

APRIL 5 EASTER MONDAY-SCHOOL CLOSED

APRIL 26 PROFESSIONAL DAY-NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

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A message from PAC

Hello Maquinna Community,

Please join us at our PAC meetings at 5:30 on the third Tuesday of every month. Any guardian can attend the meetings, and it is okay to just listen in without your video camera on. We always have an update from the principal about how things are going at school, we decide on how to spend fundraised dollars to support the student's educational needs, and we sometimes talk about policies to bring forward to other parent advisory councils to improve the student experience.

Our most recent meeting covered some ideas for an outdoor learning space at Maquinna, which will be partially funded through the school, through grants and through the money you have contributed to the PAC. We are also looking for ways to improve the playground equipment once we are back at Maquinna in September, and we recently met with our newly elected MLA, Niki Sharma, to explore options for government funding.

Do not forget that we currently have two active fundraising campaigns: recycling and gift cards. Please reach out to Deanna at maquinna.school.pac@gmail.com for more information.

We hope you will join us on zoom at our next meeting on March 9 at 5:30 pm!

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