

# Chief Maquinna Elementary Newsletter

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## June 2022

*We acknowledge that we live,  
work and learn on the traditional  
lands of the Musqueam,  
Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh  
peoples.*

*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

Time has flown by and it's hard to believe that we are now in June! I think time speeds up exponentially as we approach the end of the school year. There have been so many school events happening and it's been great to return to activities such as Sports Day, the Track and Field Meet, Field trips and Friday assemblies. We all had a wonderful time at the PAC BBQ and we want to send a very big thank-you to the organizers, contributors and volunteers to who made this event a community collaboration. Sport's Day was a lot of fun for all as well. A thank you to the Van Tech students (Maquinna Alumni) who volunteered to run the stations as well as City Reach for their ice-cream donation for our Sports Day snack.

This newsletter has some updates as well as important school information. Please check your email (and spam folder) daily for updates and notices from the school or district. Thank you.

Ms. Joyce Chong

### PARENT VOLUNTEER TEA – JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> 2:00 PM LIBRARY – ALL WELCOME!

We would like to invite all parents who have been involved in any volunteer capacity to our Appreciation Tea on Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Library. Please join us as we would like to show our appreciation and spend some time with you. A survey (for numbers) will be sent out shortly.

### TRACK & FIELD INFORMATION:

Thank you to Mrs. Lougheed, Ms. Plant and Mr. Sabbagha for sponsoring Track and Field during the month of May. They held weekly practices, attended the District mini-meets and took the entire team to the District Track Meet at Van Tech which concluded the Track & Field year. Congratulations to all the students who took part and were part of the Maquinna Track & Field Team! Good work!

### PLANNING FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR:

If your child will not be attending Chief Maquinna School in September, please let the office know by email: [maquinna@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:maquinna@vsb.bc.ca). This will help with our numbers and class organization for next year.

Attached to this newsletter is the Notice of Late Return. If you are planning to be away for the first few days of school in September, please complete the form and return to the office so we can hold your child's spot at the school. This will help with our numbers and staffing. Thank you.

For your reference, the 2022-23 Maquinna school calendar has been approved by the district and is attached in this email. The school website has been updated as well. **Please note the 2 Professional Development Days that are flexible and chosen by the school: Sept 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 and January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.**

### **DAILY HEALTH ASSESSMENT/PICK UP AND DROP OFF PROCEDURES:**

Please continue to do a daily health assessment with your children before sending them to school. **Please help us by having your child stay home at the first hint of any illness/symptoms. We will be sending any students who are ill home, without exception. Thank you for your help.**

### **VISITORS**

Visitors on school business are welcome to come into the school using the school's front doors (East 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.) as of April 4<sup>th</sup>. All other doors will remain locked for safety. Thank you

### **SAFE ARRIVAL:**

Reminder: please call the Safe Arrival Line for absences, late arrivals, appointments, and early pick-ups. Thank you for letting the office know at (604) 713-4705, select 1 for Safe Arrivals or email the office at [maqsafearrival@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:maqsafearrival@vsb.bc.ca).

### **REMINDERS ABOUT PICK-UP AND DROP OFF:**

Just a reminder that supervision outside at drop off and pick up are:

**8:40 – 9:00 a.m.**

**3:03 – 3:23 p.m.**

Please do not drop off your child before 8:40 a.m. and please pick up before 3:23 p.m. as there will not be adult supervision outside. Thank you.

### **THANK YOU TO MAQUINNA PAC!**

We all had a wonderful time at the PAC BBQ on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. This highly successful event was organized by PAC volunteers and attended by many in the community. Thank you to all who volunteered, donated and attended! We are all looking forward to next year's event!

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

June 8 – Afterschool student fundraiser – 3:00 – 4:00 pm undercover area – All items \$1.00

June 9 – Play Day (school hours – at school)

June 22 – Volunteer Tea from 2:00 – 3:00 pm in the Library – All Welcome

June 24 – Beach Day

June 28 – CSL reports to go home

June 29 – Last day of school for students (full day)

June 30 – Administration Day for Staff

Please join us for Friday Assemblies usually held every Friday at approximately 9:05 a.m. You are welcome to enter through the Green GO door in the undercover area, sign in at the desk at the entrance of the gym, and proceed to the seating at the back of the gym.

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*A message from PAC*

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It was a long and rough year and we made it through. That long promised swing set has finally been installed, everyone on the PAC is so pleased that the swing set has brought so much joy to the kids of the school. The PAC would like to personally thank all the parents and volunteers who have helped with the hot lunch food program this year, especially Amy and Yuly. The PAC would also like to thank all the people who helped organize and planned the Spring BBQ, It was a great success and we look forward to seeing everyone at our next school event.



Our PAC's AGM meeting will be held as part of our September meeting. The primary purpose of the AGM will be to close the PAC accounts for the past school year and open them for the new School year. Additionally, we need to elect the council positions of PAC Chair, PAC Treasure, and PAC Secretary. We need some fresh faces in those positions this coming school year. Additionally, we are seeking 2 parents from each class to act as members at large, that can represent that class's position on any matters.

Finally, the last PAC meeting for this school year will be June 22/2022 - 7:30pm Virtually.

**PAC meeting:** [Join Meeting Here](#)

Maquinna School PAC

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