

# Hudson Newsletter

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## **HUDSON MISSION**

Our school is committed to supporting engaged learners, caring communities, and an inclusive school environment.

### **Acknowledging Territory**

*We acknowledge that we live, work and play on the unceded and traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples – skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) nations.*



Spring is here! It is wonderful seeing all the blossoms and feeling the warm sun. We understand these sights and feelings may urge us to want to connect more with others. We acknowledge the need to stay connected and the challenges to stay distanced. As in the letter from the District you received this week, we encourage families to not gather after school on the playground. We are encouraging students to leave the grounds once they are dismissed at 3 pm.

In addition to the email sent out by the district, here is more information regarding the COVID test kits. If you would like to learn more about it, click on the link below.

District approves distribution of COVID-19 Mouth Rinse/Gargle sample collection kits

[Information on COVID-19 Mouth Rinse/Gargle sample collection kits](#)

## **LOST and FOUND- alert**

The lost and found has grown again, on April 23<sup>rd</sup> the remaining items will be bagged and donated. Please take a moment to look at the photos to see if you recognize anything that belongs to your child. Please encourage them to go get it before next Friday and if you have a primary child send a note to school so the teacher can help remind your child to go get the item.



## **Library News**

The French Immersion teachers and our Teacher Librarian recently purchased new French titles for the library and classrooms. A selection of fiction and non-fiction books including picture books, novels and graphic novels can soon be enjoyed by students. The books touch on SOGI related topics, have anti-racism messages and include a variety of characters. We are working together to ensure that the books in our school reflect our diverse school culture and align with our classroom learning.

We thank a small group of dedicated students who are enhancing spaces to read. Here are some photos documenting the process, we look forward to the finished product.



Thank you to Ms. Cassidy working with Divisions 1, 3 and F14 for the installation inspired by Jen Stark.



**Date reminders:**

April 13 to May 12	Ramadan
April 22	Earth Day and Spirit Day (wear colours or items that represent Earth)
<b>April 26</b>	<b>Pro-D-school not in session for students</b>
April 29	Individual photo day (also class composites will be provided-no traditional class photo)



## **Visible Learning**

Like the students, staff are continuously learning in order to enhance student learning. As a school we are learning about the Spirals of Inquiry, this system allows us to have common language and support each other. We also have several teams diving deeper into anti-racism, indigenous, diversity, writing, and outdoor learning. Also, many classes have started the process of using our Hudson garden boxes, stay tuned for what will pop up!

As we continue to follow all the health and safety protocols, teachers continue to balance outdoor learning, experiential learning and virtual field trips/lessons. This month many will have Zoom Wildlife lessons to learn about bears, coyotes and owls. Some other classes have signed up for virtual learning about Orchestras like the Wind Quartet. We have Museum of Vancouver virtual lessons and another class is participating in the Reel 2 Real film festival. They will be watching and discussing movies about immigration and social justice. Exploring themes such as the impact of social media, racism and discrimination. In addition, the PAC sponsored “The Hungry Feast Dish” performance by Axis Theatre to learn more about Indigenous culture has been viewed by several classes so far. They have a two-week window to log in. They are making great connections to other learning as well.

This is only a small snapshot of the wonderful learning opportunities at Hudson!

## **Diversity Club at Hudson**

As a group we have been learning about identity and ways to celebrate our identities and stand up to discrimination. Some of the things we talk about are anti-bullying messages and promoting positive self-images. In addition to how we can share and support others in this learning journey.



## **P.A.C. corner**

What's new: PAC meetings are only 30-35 minutes!

Next PAC date: April 28<sup>th</sup> - 7:30pm

Teacher Series will feature Mme Chloe talking about Self-Regulation.