

**HENRY HUDSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**

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Principal's Message

A warm welcome back after our Winter Break.

Students have settled back quickly into their daily routines. The school has been receiving many inquiries from families regarding registration for next year. Students currently attending the school do not need to re-apply for next year unless they are moving from the French Immersion program into the English program as the catchment areas for both are different.

Registration for French Immersion kindergarten has changed as the VSB has removed catchment areas for kindergarten French Immersion. Students applying for French Immersion are required to first register at their catchments school's English program. Online French Immersion registration commences January 15 and ends February 5. Once the lottery has been completed the school will contact the accepted families on February 21. We do anticipate having a lottery for the English kindergarten program. Please refer to the VSB website for further registration details.

The Hudson parent information session for families considering entering the kindergarten French Immersion was attended by approximately 20 families. All French Immersion schools hosted an information session, Ms. Friess and myself presented on behalf of the school.

To assist us in planning for next year, it would be appreciated if you could inform the school if your child, excluding current grade 7's, do not plan on returning to Hudson next year.

Over the next few weeks, VSB painters are repairing and repainting some of the classrooms. The affected classes; divisions 3, 9 and F16 will be temporarily moved into room 003 while work is being completed. The gym was worked on this week and Division 9 will be painted this week.

Thank you for your support,

Ian Cannon
Principal

**Overview of Upcoming
Activities & Events**

- Mon, Jan 22 – Scottish Dance Performance
- Thu, Jan 25
 - Div 10K, 11K, F18K – Field Trip to Mt Seymour
 - UBC Math Games (grades 1 to grades 3/4)
- Fri, Jan 26 – Div F13, F14 – Field Trip to Robson Square Ice Rink
- Mon, Jan 29 – Ministry of Education Curriculum Implementation Day – school is not in session
- Mon, Feb 12 – Family Day – school is not in session
- Thu, Feb 15 – Div F13 – Field Trip to Field Trip to Pacific Spirit Park
- Fri, Feb 16 – Carnivale
- Mon, Feb 19 – District Pro D Day – school is not in session
- Wed, Feb 21 – Div 1, 2 – Field Trip to Ballet BC Performance @ QE Theatre
- Fri, Feb 23 – Div 8, 9, F17 – Field Trip to Kidtopolis



Some Classroom Highlights

Division 10 (Ms. Robinson/Ms. Reed) has just started learning kindergarten sight words. We have been learning about winter and are getting ready to go on our field trip to Mt. Seymour next week. In Math we are telling stories to help us remember how to make different groups of 10. We are also learning about how to be Resilient and Optimistic.

Division 04 (Mrs. Tso) Students eagerly started research projects on topics such as the CPR, Confederation, the gold rush, and the fur trade, as significant events in Canadian history. They look forward to sharing their research in PowerPoint presentations to their peers.

Division 09 (Ms. Johnson) is exploring the life cycle of the eagle, and learning about needs of people living in the community.

Community News

The Rugby Program is has spots available at Kitsilano Community Centre and West Point Grey Community Centre.

Architecture Expo

Divisions 3, F12, F13 and F14 will display their architecture projects in the upstairs corridor from February 6th to 13th. The project has been ongoing since early November. The classes have been working architect Maia Tarasoff, learning about design and community planning.

PAC News

WANTED: Parents to fill roles in PAC Executive.

The PAC Chair has told the School Office that key roles need to be filled in order for the many wonderful activities that the PAC sponsors and manages to continue to run.

In order of importance:

Activities Coordinator

The coordinator monitors the Hudson activities email account, liaises with activities providers and compiles the monthly PAC Calendars.

PAC Secretary

The secretary takes minutes at the PAC meetings, and compiles the weekly news emails.

Web Master

The Web Master looks after the school website and needs to either be familiar with WordPress or willing to learn. The Web Master sends out the weekly news emails.

Please contact PAC Chair Robert Ford robert@quokkasystems.com if you have questions.

For email updates and more info on the Hudson PAC, see www.hudsonpac.ca/subscribe

School Jerseys

All Henry Hudson jerseys (pic attached) loaned out to Cross Country or Volleyball team members must be returned immediately. Please have a look at home and ask your child (notes were sent home) as there are still quite a few missing.

Since acquiring our jerseys a few years ago we have lost just over 20 percent of them. This is a significant cost to the PAC and means we may not have enough to outfit future teams. As a result we now require a \$30 refundable deposit to borrow a jersey.



Hudson Earthquake Preparedness Session

The Hudson PAC has organized an information session for our families on February 26, 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the school gym. Presenting will be Collette O'Reilly from the VSB on the school district's plans, school principal Ian Cannon on the school's plans and Jackie Kloosterboer from the City of Vancouver's Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program on how families can prepare for earthquakes.

Attendance and Safe Arrival

If your child will be late or absent, please contact us with this information:

- Your child's name
- Grade and Homeroom (if possible)
- When and how long your child will be absent

By phone: Call 604-713-5159, extension 37, or

By email: hudattendance@vsb.bc.ca

Student Sign-In/Out Procedure

If your child arrives after 9:00am, please ensure that your child signs in at the office. Similarly, if you pick up your child during the school day, please sign them out at the school office.

"Success doesn't come to you ... you go to it." – Marva Collins