

Shaughnessy Newsletter – February 2022

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Important Dates to Remember:

- Feb 1st Lunar New Year
- Feb 11th PAC General Meeting (online) @ 9:30 am
- Feb 14th Valentine's Day
- **Feb 18th ProD day (District-wide)**
- **Feb 21st BC Family Day**
- Feb 23rd Pink Shirt Day



Report Cards Envelopes

Communicating Student Learning (CSL) Report cards were sent home on **Friday, January 28th**. Once you review the report with your child, please sign the back of the envelope and return it to your child's classroom teacher so that we have a record that you have received it. If you have any questions about the report card, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher.

For Grade 7's Interested in Attending Prince of Wales

Please click the link below to see the recorded information session for grade 7 families living in the Prince of Wales catchment and those interested in applying cross-boundary to PW. It is full of questions and answers about the transition to high school and all that is offered at Prince of Wales. <https://youtu.be/StFsnRFpA4k>

YMCA of Greater Vancouver

Generation Health is a **FREE 9-week healthy lifestyle program** for children and their families, delivered through the YMCA of Greater Vancouver and in partnership with the Childhood Obesity Foundation. Program participants will meet virtually to learn about healthy eating, physical activity, goal setting, body image, self-esteem and more! We have 5 program days to choose from: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays from 6:30-8:30 pm. This program requires prior registration through these details: phone 1-888-650-3141 or send an e-mail to info@generationhealth.ca. **Families who join this program receive a complimentary membership to the YMCA.**



YWCA Grade 7 Transition to High School Program

Grade 7 students are invited to a **FREE** online afterschool program run by the YWCA, which aims to help students transition to high school. Each week students will attend a one-hour Zoom session where they will participate in games, group discussions, and activities about social media, managing stress, making friends, resisting peer pressure, standing up to bullying, and other topics related to the high school experience. For more information or to register, **CLICK HERE** or visit <http://ywcavan.org/grade7register>

Hot Lunch and Sending Cutlery

We would like to work towards zero waste and eliminate some of the single-use cutlery that comes with our hot lunches. If your child is ordering hot lunch, please remember to send reusable cutlery with them from home. Thank you.



School Closure Protocol Due to Snow

There may be times when schools are closed due to weather conditions (such as heavy snowfall). The VSB will post information about snow closures on all school websites (www.vsb.bc.ca and <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/shaughnessy/Pages/default.aspx>) by 6:00 am.

The following media stations will be informed:

- CKNW (980 AM)
- CBC (690 AM, 105.7 FM)
- CJVB (1470 AM)
- CFHG (96.1 FM)
- CKWX (1130 AM)
- BCTV/ Global
- CITY TV



Parents are asked **not** to call media outlets to ask if the school is closed.

Arriving to School on Time

Just a reminder that our school day starts promptly at 9:00 am. Attending school on time is important. When children arrive at school on time they start the day off more positively, build stronger relationships with classmates, feel a greater sense of belonging, and can feel more engaged and excited about learning. It is difficult to “catch children up” when they miss a significant amount of reading time or instructional time. Please support your child’s academic and social learning by ensuring that they attend school on time.



Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is a day to show you care about your friends, but this February 14th it's important to make sure that kindness – and not COVID – is in the air. As we celebrate under the latest health and safety protocols, we would like to share some recommendations for having a safe and sweet Valentine's Day

- Do wash your hands regularly, especially before and after activities
- Do maintain personal distance whenever possible
- Do go outside whenever possible
- Do share paper Valentine's cards (be sure to include everyone in your class)
- **If you choose to share treats – ensure that food is pre-packaged and individually wrapped (no homemade treats permitted at this time).**

Pink Shirt Day

Shaughnessy will be celebrating Pink Shirt Day on **Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022**. Today our diversity is becoming more visible than ever as people continue to embrace their cultures, identities, and true selves in more open and direct ways; making the need to **Lift Each Other Up** and have greater acceptance, respect, and inclusion for everyone so important.

This year we are asking the Shaughnessy Elementary Community to join us in celebrating our diversity by wearing a pink shirt.



PAC NEWS

Our next PAC General Meeting is on **Friday, February 11th @ 9:30** via Zoom. We are looking for your feedback on our current trial of hot lunches twice a week and more! Please join in or email us with any questions.

PAC would like to thank all the traffic parent volunteers for their continued support and to all the families who are also assisting in creating a safe crosswalk and an easier drop-off and pick-up zone for everyone.

REGISTER NOW



2022 Season
April 4-June 11

Ages 3-12
All skill levels welcome

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ACT RESPECTFULLY, ACT RESPONSIBLY, ACT SAFELY



Join Us For Generation Health This Winter!

Learn about healthy eating & physical activity and build long-lasting healthy habits as a family in Generation Health. This 10-week program for families with children ages 8 to 12 is free, interactive and FUN!

Delivered virtually through the YMCA of Greater Vancouver starting January & February 2022 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings.

Interested? Register today!

Call 1-888-650-3141 or email info@generationhealth.ca



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"Honoured to be working together on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the x^mməθk^wəyám/Musqueam, Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh/Squamish & səlilwətał /Tseil-Waututh Nations"

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL?



Free online after-school programs for Grade 7s

Learn how to

- Stay healthy
- Manage stress
- Make new friends
- Resist peer pressure
- Feel more confident for Grade 8, and more

See the schedule, more info, and register at

YWCAVAN.ORG/Grade7Register

Join now. Spaces limited

