



## Beach Grove Elementary School

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# In the Grove

The Newsletter of Beach Grove Elementary School

April 18, 2019

## Events Calendar

### April:

24/25 - Student Led Conferences

25 - Grade 7 Trade and Career Fair

### May:

3- Spring Fair

8- Regional Track Meet

10- Fun Lunch

16- District Track Meet

17- Pro D Day

(In lieu of August Pro D)

### June

7- Fun Day

13- Parent Appreciation Tea and Public Speaking Contest

## Student-led Conferences on April 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>.

Student led Conferences are being held next week and we are always appreciative when parents turn up to share in their child's learning. We value that parents understand the importance of the working relationship that happens between school and home in the positive development of children which is exemplified in the following poem:

### Guiding Hand

I dreamed I stood in a studio  
And watched two sculptors there  
The clay they used was a young child's mind  
And they fashioned it with care.  
One was a teacher - the tools he used  
were books, music and art.  
The other, a parent, worked with guiding hands,  
And a gentle, loving heart.  
Day after day, the teacher worked with touch  
That was deft and sure,  
While the parent, standing by his side  
Polished and smoothed it o'er.  
And when at last their task was done,  
They were proud of what they had wrought,  
For the things they had moulded into the child,  
Could never be sold nor bought.  
And both agreed they would have failed  
If each had worked alone,  
For behind the teacher stood the school  
And behind the parent, the home.

.....Author unknown

## Reading Link Challenge

On April 12, Beach Grove participated in the Reading Link Challenge organized by the Fraser Valley Regional Library. Our team consisted of these students: Lucas D, James S, Landon N, Brady R. Our students had to be familiar with six selected books and had to answer questions about characters, plots, and settings. They competed against other Delta elementary schools. While our team did not advance to the next challenge level, they did an amazing job representing our school. Great job Reading Link Challengers!

## Track and Field

Track and Field continues to be in full swing for students in grade 4-7 and as usual we have a wonderful turnout for our practices. Over the next couple of weeks students will be assigned to events for the upcoming regional meet. If your child is involved in track please watch for the permission form which will come home in the next few weeks. Here are some dates to remember

**Practices: Tuesday/ Thursday - 7:50am**

**Regional Meet - Wednesday, May 8 @ South Delta Secondary**

**District Meet - Thursday, May 16 @ South Delta Secondary**

**Thank you to our staff for their time and effort with this big activity.**

**Questions:** Contact, by email, Mrs. Bonikowsky ([jbonikowsky@deltasd.bc.ca](mailto:jbonikowsky@deltasd.bc.ca))



### **April Birthdays**

Happy birthday to these students who celebrated a birthday this month:  
Claire C, Lily A, Kaden M, Ellen O,  
Declan W, Alexander M, Yejoo L,  
Ben R, Harrison M, Kaleigh C,  
Landon C, Julia C, Kane B, Bodhi C,  
Ainsley C, Ethan K, Everleigh S,  
Myles O, Reid S, Spencer L, .

### **Dress Code**

As spring and summer approaches and the weather warms up I would like to take this opportunity to remind all our students about our school expectations for dress.

Children spend their day at school engaged in learning activities and in a real sense should consider school as their place of work.

Our Goal: To encourage a school social environment that supports respectful and responsible relationships, appropriate for the age of our students. The school dress code, developed by parents and teachers, requires that children should come to school “appropriately” dressed.

Specifically:

- Children should not come to school wearing t-shirts with obscene or suggestive words or pictures on them.
- Students should dress so that no underwear is visible and that the midriff is covered.
- If the boys wear sleeveless tops t-shirts must be worn underneath.
- Appropriate footwear – No flip-flops – sandals with backs are okay.
- Make-up should not be worn

**We appreciate your support in helping us out with this.**

### **Class and Panorama Photos**

Class photos are scheduled for **Wednesday, May 1** in the morning. The panorama photo of the whole school will be taken at around 11:00 a.m. weather permitting.

### **Protocol for Parent Concerns:**

If parents have concerns about general school procedures or issues stemming from their child’s classroom, there is a procedure for raising those concerns.

If the concerns originate in the classroom, the first and most important person to communicate those issues with is your child’s teacher. Quick or minor issues can be noted through the child’s planner. However, if the concern is of a more serious nature, please make an appointment to speak with your child’s teacher. If in this discussion you continue to have unresolved concerns then it is appropriate to be in contact with the principal and vice-principal.

If your concern is of a more general school nature, you may also bring it up with your child’s teacher or come directly to the principal or vice-principal.

We are always willing to speak with parents to explain how and why particular decisions have been made and to listen openly to suggestions that might make our school community a better place. We will do our best to work along with you to solve problems.

We want Beach Grove to be a community that supports children’s learning and nurtures the hearts of children and families. To maintain a positive working relationship, please follow the protocol as outlined when difficulties arise. Sharing difficulties in more round about ways (eg. classroom e-mail lists, social media sites that are public forums or have open pages, or playground discussions, etc.) in isolation of school staff does not support a positive school community and in fact leads to misinformation and hard feelings.

It is imperative that we remain respectful in our interactions and solve problems in a way that benefits everyone. Our children are watching our examples.

### **Planning for September**

If you are moving over the summer or are planning to go to another school somewhere other than Beach Grove Elementary in September, please contact Mrs. Adam [cadam@deltasd.bc.ca](mailto:cadam@deltasd.bc.ca) in the office as soon as possible. It is important that we get an accurate count of the number of students we will need to accommodate for the upcoming school year.

Sincerely,

Rick Hall,  
Principal  
and the Beach Grove staff