



Taylor Park

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A happy, caring learning community

Newsletter

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Dates to Remember ...

Friday, April 7 – Thursday April 13.....	Hip Hop Lessons for K to 7 Students
Thursday, April 13 – 2 – 3 pm (Doors open at 1:30)	Hip Hop Performance for Parents
Friday, April 14	Good Friday Holiday – No School
Monday, April 17	Easter Monday Holiday – No School
Friday, April 21 – 2:10 pm	Celebration of Learning Assembly
Monday, April 24	School Professional Day – No school for students
Tuesday, April 25 – Friday, April 28.....	School Book Fair
Thursday, April 27 – 1:45 pm	Early Dismissal and Student Led Conferences
Friday, April 28 – 9 am	School Plan Meeting – Review by District
Monday, May 8 – 1pm.....	Grade 7 Band Festival at Marlborough
Wednesday, May 10.....	Grade 6 Immunizations
Friday, May 12.....	PAC Movie Night
Monday May 22.....	Victoria Day – No School
Friday, May 26 – 1:15 – 2:30 pm	September 2017 Kindergarten Students – Family Orientation
Monday, June 5.....	School Based Pro-D – No School for Students
Friday, June 9 – 2 pm.....	Early Dismissal
Friday, June 16 – 12:30 Dismissal.....	Sports Day
Wednesday, June 21 – Friday, June 23	Grade 6/7 Camp at Elphinstone
Thursday, June 29 10 am Dismissal.....	Last Day of School for Students

(See our website at taylorpark.sd41.bc.ca for the full year's schedule)

The Importance of Performing Arts

The Burnaby School District's Visual & Performing Arts program is the most comprehensive in BC. At Taylor Park each student has weekly music classes and, this year, each student will learn Hip Hop routines. In addition, grade seven students can choose to be a part of band, and there are a variety of choirs and performing opportunities offered outside of class including a student written play that will be performed during a lunch time in May. The reason for Hip Hop as well as our many other performing arts activities is much more than learning to perform. These opportunities: build community, build positive relationships by students learning to work together, provide physical activities that student can enjoy in their own time, help students learn to solve problems and work effectively as a team or alone, help students learn to work on a difficult task for extended time, develop leadership, confidence and social skills, make friends, have fun and even reduce lates and absences! My experience, as well as research, has also shown that students who participate in structured on-going arts activities also improve their achievement. I am looking forward to a big audience on April 13th from 2 – 3 pm when our students will show their Hip Hop skills.

Mr. Wall (Principal)

Summer School

Summer School Registration will begin online starting April 10. Taylor Park will again be hosting classes. Parents can register for one free class by using the PEN number at the top of this newsletter. Each student has their own PEN number and this can be obtained from the office if you have misplaced your information. See the summer school website: <http://www.burnabyccce.ca/summer-session-2017/> for information about classes and registration. Students with an IEP or Health Plan need to register by May 12.

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ACADEMIC COURSES
Tuition-free for eligible students
Fee paying students: \$665

July 10 - 27	9am - 12:15pm	Course #
ELL – Going into grades 1-3		R500
Skill Development – Primary		R700
Skill Development – Intermediate		R750
Ready! Set! Go! – Going Into Grade 1		R800
Ready! Set! Go! – Going Into Grade 4		R850
Essay & Report Writing – Intermediate		R680
Writers Workshop – Primary		R610
Fun in the Sun with Reading – Primary		R640
Surprising Science – Primary		R630
Surprising Science – Intermediate		R670
Top Hits Kids Band – Intermediate		R674
Sports & Rec – Intermediate		R975
Get Outdoors: Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds – Primary		R976

Grade 7/8 Transition

ACADEMIC COURSE

Are you on your way to secondary school in September? Grade 7/8 Transition is designed to help students navigate the transition between elementary and secondary school. This course will touch on personal responsibility, skill building and relationships. Some objectives include building confidence, enhancing a positive attitude toward learning and engaging in the new curriculum's Core Competencies.

Tuition-free for eligible students
Fee paying students: \$890

July 5 - 28	8:15am - 12pm	Course
Burnaby Mountain	8800 Eastlake Drive	8013
Burnaby North	751 Hammarskjold Drive	8014
Byrne Creek	7777 18th Street	8015
Moscrop	4433 Moscrop Street	8016

Next Year and New Registrations

We are now in the process of working on class organization for next year. If your child will be moving or changing schools, please notify the office as soon as possible. We are welcoming registration of students born in 2012 for September 2017 Kindergarten as well as for students who have recently moved to our catchment. Registration is through appointment only and can be made through our [school website](#). At this time, due to the number of students who have registered for September 2017 that live in our catchment, no cross district applications are being accepted. School board policy and details about cross district applications are available on the [district website](#).

Staff Update

We would like to welcome Ms. Keri Rudolph as the teacher of Division 4 as Mr. Doornbosch is going on her maternity leave. Ms. Rudolph was a student teacher from September to December 2016 in this class.

Student Led Conferences

Students and teachers are currently working on portfolios for students to show and discuss with their parents. The focus of these conferences is for students to show their parents what they can do. All students will have an early dismissal at 1:45 pm. Further information about times will be sent home soon.

Important Dates for Next Year

The Burnaby School Board has recently approved the [calendar for 2017-2020](#). You can view the complete calendar online at our school website. The following dates have been set for the 2017-2018 school year:

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| September 5(School Opening) | November 24(District Pro-D) |
| September 29(School Pro-D), | December 25 – Jan 5(Winter Vacation) |
| October 20(Provincial Pro-D), | February 16(District Pro-D) |
| October 23(Curriculum Implementation Day) | March 19-April 2(Easter/Spring Break) |
| November 10(School Closure) | April 23(District Pro-D) |
| November 13(Remembrance Day Holiday) | June 4(School Pro-D) |

Hip Hop Classes and Performance

1-Vibe Entertainment will be offering a "School Hip Hop Workshop" to all our students from kindergarten to grade seven starting April 7. We expect to have an impressive performance by students on Thursday, April 13 from 2 – 3 pm. Parents are welcome. Doors will open for seating at 1:30 pm. Thanks to parents for supporting the cost of this program by paying \$6 for each child attending.



Library and Home Reading Update

All students are encouraged to read every day to develop skills and to win great prizes. Yellow reading club forms will be accepted until Friday, April 7th. Our grade 7s have started reading for the Battle of the Books. Their in-school battles will be held through the month of April. The winning team will be going to Lochdale on May 1st for the finals. Keep reading!

PAC Update

PAC will be hosting a book fair in the school library from Tuesday, April 25 to Friday, April 28 and parent volunteers are needed – particularly during the lunch time rush! Please return the form at the bottom of the newsletter to your child’s teacher if you are able to help out. If we reach our goal of \$3500 in sales the principal will... Get a pie in the face (student pie-er chosen by draw). Classes will view the collection during library time and each class will choose a book for their class. PAC is also looking at

Summer Camp Options

There are many options for day and overnight camps for our students. Summer camps are a great way for students to develop skills in many areas. Registration for some of the more popular camps is sometimes filled by January so you may want to check out some of the options already. Some of the many local camps are offered by (links are active on our online newsletter available on our website) [Burnaby Parks and Rec](#), [Place Des Arts](#), [YMCA](#), [4Cats](#), [Barcelona Soccer Camps](#), [Whitecaps Soccer Camps](#), [Canlan skating and Hockey Camps](#) and [SFU](#). A list of residential summer camps is available at the BC Camping Association’s web site: <http://www.bccamping.org/camp-directory/>

Camping Bureau

The [Burnaby Camping Bureau](#) provides subsidies for Burnaby children with low income the opportunity to attend the summer camp of their choice. Along with their maximum subsidy of \$175.00, they have partnerships with camps that provide matching funds, allowing children the opportunity to attend a camp their families otherwise wouldn't be able to afford. To qualify you must be a resident of Burnaby, have children aged between 5 and 17 years, and are low income but are NOT receiving income assistance*.

The following information is required when you come to register:

- C-Print (to order from the CRA, call 1-800-959-8281, press * to speak with an operator)
- Proof of Address (ex: recent utility bill), and
- For families: child care card or birth certificate or child tax benefit statement for children 16 years and under

Registration begins May 1st. Families may contact the Volunteer Services Manager, MJ Buck, at 604-292-3902 or MJ@BbyServices.ca on or after April 1st to book appointments.

*If you are on income assistance, please apply for the Camp Fees program through the Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation.

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Book Fair volunteer signup - Yes I can help with the Book Fair on:

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| Tuesday, April 25 – | <input type="checkbox"/> Setup | | |
| Wednesday, April 26 | <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 – 9 am | <input type="checkbox"/> 11:30 am – 12:30 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> 3:00 – 3:30 pm |
| Thursday, April 27 | <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 – 9 am | <input type="checkbox"/> 11:30 am – 12:30 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> 3:00 – 6:00 pm (half hour shifts during conferences) |
| Friday, April 28 | <input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 – 9 am | <input type="checkbox"/> 11:30 am – 12:30 pm | <input type="checkbox"/> Afternoon Cleanup |

Student Name

Division

Parent Name

Contact Phone #

Please return form to your child's teacher