New City Centre Elementary 13104 109 Avenue 604-595-4048

Ey'swayel New City Centre families,

I hope all of you are well as we've concluded the second term of school and entered into spring break. As many of you are aware, I have been at KB Woodward for the past three weeks. My time at our school has been such a good opportunity to meet students, staff and families. I feel the great pride and love the community holds for KB Woodward Elementary. I am grateful for the privilege to be here. Please read on to stay updated on developments at New City Centre Elementary.

#### A big welcome to the following teachers

Destiny Pichette – primary
Corrine Bell – intermediate
Baydah Al Ghadban – intermediate
Ann Anderson – intermediate
Komalpreet Kaur – intermediate

There remain several primary vacancies to be posted and filled.

## Will before and after school care be offered at New City Centre Elementary?

At this time, nothing is in place to offer before and after school care at New City Centre. However, the district is aware of the need for childcare and is considering options. I will keep you posted if there are any changes.

### Will a fence be installed along the front of the school's property?

I have had communication with district facilities about installing perimeter fencing along the front of the school. While budgets are very tight, student safety is a priority. I will continue conversations with our facilities department.

# Do teachers and support workers automatically move from KB Woodward to New City Centre?

No. Teachers apply to vacant positions. Support workers post into vacant positions in late June.

### How will students be supported in the transition?

Over the next several months, I will connect with students and help build excitement for our shared move. As the weather improves, we will plan mini fieldtrips to the school.

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## Does the school have an official name?

Not yet. Kwantlen First Nation may gift the school a name.

# Will the school have an adventure playground?

Yes. A large adventure playground will be installed before the end of the school year. Yay! Here are some pictures.







# Welcome to Kindergarten

KB Woodward and New City Elementary will combine our Welcome to Kindergarten on Thursday June 5. Welcome to Kindergarten is for children entering Kindergarten this coming September. More information about the first few weeks of school for Kindergarten students will be sent to families in the weeks ahead.

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# Attention incoming Kindergartens and siblings!

If this is you, plan to attend Awesome Amphibians at Green Timbers Urban Forest on May 6 from 12:30 – 2:00. Students will learn about two types of amphibians – frogs and salamanders. Through play and exploration students will learn about amphibian lifecycles, animal types, prey, and predators. Stay tuned for more information!

### Who do I contact if I have questions or concerns?

Please do not hesitate to reach out to myself at <u>issel\_b@surreyschools.ca</u> or my head clerk, Isha, at <u>dhingra\_i@surreyschools.ca</u>.

Thank you, Brad Issel Principal

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