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Riverdale News

A bi-weekly update for parents and families
Ecole Riverdale Elementary...
together, we SOAR to success!

May 29, 2018

A word from your Principal

It is hard to believe we have only one month remaining in the school year. Each week holds many extra exciting things in addition to the great learning throughout the school day. From educational field studies to hatching butterflies in the classroom, from track meets to the grade 7 band concert...it is an exciting time of year! Thank you to all of our volunteer parent drivers for getting us to places around the Lower Mainland. And many thanks to our teachers for doing so many extras, including coaching track, organizing sports day, the Young Entrepreneur Fair, and an upcoming Talent Show! Auditions are happening for students in grades 3-7 this week. Stay tuned for further details! The old saying, "It takes a village to raise a child" couldn't be more true than at Ecole Riverdale!

Thursday, May 31st

12.30 – 3.15pm in the gym



Students from divisions 2 and 3 have been working hard to design a product to sell at the Entrepreneur Fair. There will be many creative products, ranging from \$.50 to \$15.00. Students will have an opportunity to make purchases that afternoon. We hope you will drop by after school!

PAC Updates

CALLING ALL BC LIONS FANS

PAC Fundraiser Night with the BC Lions at the home opener

Saturday June 17, 2018 @ 7pm

Share this special link and promo code with all football lovers and come out and cheer on the Lions at their



home opener. Tickets can be purchased on-line right up until game day.

Adults tickets for just \$30.00 and kids 12 and under for just \$10.00. Riverdale's unique link is <https://oss.ticketmaster.com/.../f566dd0d993ef116357fbb671f66...>

Once prompted, users need to enter the **promo code: RIVERDALEPAC**

A portion of the ticket price goes to Riverdale Students! Thank you for your support! Enjoy the game!

Ice Cream Sale

Thank you everyone who joined us for our last ice cream sale.

PAC will hold another ice cream sale after school on **Thursday, May 31st**. We will have ice cream sandwiches, fudge bars, space pops and candy bags for \$1 each. Please join us for a cool treat after school.



Sports Day Volunteers

PAC is looking for volunteers to help on sports day. We are looking for people to help us out at the concession and with hot lunch pizza. If you are available to assist us please email us at Riverdale.pac@hotmail.com or message us on Facebook. Thank you!!

AGM Nominations– postponed until the Fall, 2018

Thank you everyone who joined us last Thursday for our AGM. We spoke with Dave from Habitat Systems who showed us some great playground ideas.

Unfortunately, we didn't get any nominations for the PAC Executive Positions or committee positions. We have Executive members leaving this year and we REALLY NEED new executive members. Without the executive members there won't be a PAC. Without PAC, Riverdale Students will miss out on field trips, special presentations, classroom technology and more. We would really like to be able to run PAC next year. **If you would like to take on any of the positions**

or would like to volunteer as a hot lunch coordinator, social media coordinator, earthquake coordinator or be on the playground committee please email Riverdale.PAC@hotmail.com or message us on Facebook. If you can spare an hour a month please let us know. Any time you can volunteer will make less work for everyone else. **Thank you!!**

7th Annual Winter Market

And now, looking WAAAAAY ahead!
We have a date for the 2018 Winter Market Craft Fair!
Saturday November 3rd, 2018
If you or anyone you know might like to be a vendor at our craft fair please fill out our application. We look forward to seeing you this winter!
<https://form.jotform.com/81205491888263>

Bike to School Week!



Students and staff are encouraged to bike to school this week! Students are reminded to bring a lock and secure their bike at the bike racks along the west side of the school.

School Fees 2018 - 2019

Please see the attachment for an outline of expected fees for the next school year.

Sports Day! June 15th – Rain or Shine!

It's full steam ahead for our four houses: Ebony; Scarlet; Emerald; Indigo. PAC will run a concession throughout the day, and students will enjoy their final Hot Lunch of the year (thanks to PAC)! Please come out and cheer on the fun!

Grade 7 Band Year End Concert

Tuesday, June 19th at 9.15 am



Class Placements for 2018-2019

Teachers spend a great deal of time taking into consideration many factors when placing your children into classes. When doing classroom configurations, teachers look at the overall composition of the

classroom, and consider where each child would likely be most successful. They must balance the needs of the individual child with the overall composition of the classroom. We work collaboratively and consider the following criteria to carefully balance the learning experiences of all children:

- Social and emotional needs
- Gender balance
- Social relationships with peers
- Learning styles
- Diversity of learning needs
- Maturity

We have many parent requests to keep children together based on friendships. We know that having your child feel socially comfortable is important, and we will ensure they will have peers in their classes with whom they connect.

If you wish to share any information based on the above criteria, please contact Ms. Christensen, with a brief note or by email. I will leave this information with Mr. Vervaet for the fall.

Student Safety

In order to ensure your child is safe at school, **it is district policy that parents/visitors first check in at the office before going anywhere else in the school.** We will then call down to your child's classroom to inform the teacher of your arrival. Thank you for your cooperation.

Looking Ahead...

- Wednesday, May 30th – Jumprope for Heart Day
- Thursday, May 31st – Young Entrepreneur Fair in the gym
- Thursday, May 31st - 2.30pm PAC Ice Cream Sale
- Friday, June 1st – PALS (Parents as Literacy Supporters, for parents and children, ages 3-5 years) Celebration!
- June 15th – Sports Day and Hot Lunch
- June 19th – 9.15am Gr. 7 Band Concert
- June 20th - 2.30pm PAC Ice Cream Sale
- June 21st Grade 7 Celebration and Ceremony at 6pm
- June 22nd – 9am K-7 Year End Celebration Assembly
- June 27th - K-7 Communicating Student Learning Reports home for all students
- June 28th – 1.30pm dismissal and last day of school

***Ecole Riverdale...where we are all Ravens!
Nous sommes tous des corbeaux!***