



ÉCOLE SPERLING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Days to Remember:

May

- 1 Gr. 6 Immunizations
- 4 Track & Field Awards meet @ Swangard 9:30—2:30
- 8 PAC Annual General Meeting 7:00pm in library
- 9 Fruit & Veggie (peppers)
- 12 Sperling Spint (pm)
Student Council Rainbow Day
Hot Lunch (Subway)
- 19 Pro-D Day (Students do not attend)
- 22 Victoria Day
- 25 Parent Volunteer Tea 2-3pm
- 26 Hot Lunch (Sushi)
Sperling Fun Fair 4:00—8:00pm
- 29—June 1 Food Drive
- 30 Fruit & Veggie program (tomatoes)



Friday, May 26

4:00 - 8:00pm

The Sperling Fun Fair is quickly approaching. THANK YOU for all the support to date. Everything is starting to come together and we are very excited to bring you an amazing event! Stay

tuned for a Fun Fair newsletter which will be circulated next week. It will include some exciting details about the Fair as well as how to purchase advance tickets.

Mystery Boxes are new to the Fun Fair this year. And we know how busy everyone is so we have extended the deadline for the Mystery Gifts to May 5th. Please remember to bring in your gifts. There are labelled boxes in each of the classrooms.

Lastly if you are interested in volunteering on event day please email funfairvolunteer@sperlingpac.com and if you are interested in donating cake, cupcakes or cookies for the Cake Walk please contact dopsons@telus.net.

Look forward to seeing you at the FUN FAIR!

Class Placement

At this time of the year, parents begin thinking about their child's placement for next year. Please know that our staff members work together to thoughtfully place students in classes based on the number of teachers assigned to our school by the District office.

When determining your child's placement, a variety of factors are considered; for example: the number of students in each class, a balance of boys and girls, academic and social strengths and needs, learning styles, friendships and special interests. We use our professional judgement, existing data, and discussion as we create classes, keeping in mind the considerations listed above. Staff who are part of the process include the principal, current classroom teacher(s), next year's classroom teacher(s) at that particular grade level, and support staff (including counsellor, learning support teacher, and ELL teachers). It is the responsibility of the school staff to arrange classes so that each student has a positive learning environment and teachers have a manageable teaching assignment. Much thought and effort goes into the placement of each child.

As principal, I will only consider written requests for class placements that describe the academic, social and/or physical needs of the child. These must be submitted to me by Thursday, June 1st. As always, classes will be finalized at the end of the first week in September. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email: karen.floyd@sd41.bc.ca or by phone at 604-296-9030.

K. Floyd
Principal

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE SPERLING SPRINT

We are still looking for volunteers for the Sperling Sprint. This year the sprint will be held on Friday, May 12th from 1:00 - 3:00pm.

Please email (sprint@sperlingpac.com) if you can help out for this worthwhile event. We need people to supervise intersections, distribute drinks, and cheer on the kids.





Krispy Kreme Doughnut Fundraiser

Student Council raised over \$1100.00 from our Krispy Kreme doughnut fundraiser. The money will

be donated for WE (Free the Children), which provides youth-serving programs. Thank you to everyone who purchased doughnuts and helped to raise money for this worthy cause.



Sperling PAC Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, May 8, 2017 @ 7:00pm in our school library. Next year's elections will be taking place.

Childminding will be available. Hope to see you there!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Ecole Sperling Kindergarten Orientation

Thursday, June 8, 2017

1:00-3:00 pm in the gym.

You will receive an invitation in the mail.

2nd Annual Family Movie Night Friday, June 9, 2017

Sperling Students and Parents are invited to the École Sperling Gym to enjoy a movie with their classmates accompanied with a minimum of one parent per family.

A concession of snack items will be offered. (Water, popcorn, chips, and candy bags)
Cash only

Notices will be sent home in late May.



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Thank you to all the volunteers at the book fair

Ms. Hunger would like to thank all of the parents and students who generously volunteered their time to help at the Scholastic book fair this week. The library was full of shoppers each day, and we raised enough commission to buy over \$1500 worth of books for the library and for the Home Reading Program. Ms. Hunger has developed this program to encourage students to read at home. If a child reads for 200 nights and fills in the form by May 31st, he or she will receive a book as a gift. Last year Ms. Hunger was proud to celebrate this reading achievement of nearly 100 students who completed the program! This is not possible without your contribution to the success of the book fair, and Ms. Hunger is very grateful for your support. She would especially like to thank Mackenzie Campbell who made all of the many book fair announcements over the public address system throughout the last week. Thank you!

Thank you to the Thorpe-Dorward family

The Thorpe-Dorward family recently donated four lovely books to the library to enhance our collection of books celebrating diversity. Ms. Hunger would like to thank the entire family for their generous contribution and the very kind letter that they gave to the school. These books will be enjoyed by students and parents for years to come. Thank you!

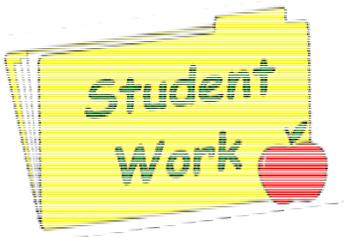


We hope to see you on our annual Sports Day event on Thursday, June 1st from 8:55am—1:00pm.

MOVING?

If your child will not be returning to Sperling next year, please notify us as soon as possible by calling our school secretary, Mrs. Bonvino, at 604.296.9030. This information helps us plan for next year and prepare student records to be transferred to the new school in a timely manner. We appreciate your assistance.





Young Actor's Project

In early April Kevin from the Young Actors Project worked with several divisions to devel-



op students' abilities physical expres-



scenes, improvised and discussed acting techniques.

CONCOURS

Good luck Alexa Brasslet! Alexa placed 1st in Burnaby School District's Concours d'Art Oratoire. She will be delivering her speech "Déjà-Vu" at SFU Surrey Campus at the Provincial Concours d'Art Oratoire on May 6th. Bon Courage Alexa!



First Nations Artwork

Divisions 20 and 21, the French Kindergarteners, explored First Nations concepts in art and design, learning shapes like the ovoid and u-form, the colours often used, symmetry, and animal themes used. The students each prepared a multi-media painting which they displayed at a Celebration of Learning during the singing of the Coast Salish Anthem. Great work!



GOLF

In late March and early April golf pros from Burnaby Mountain Golf Course came to teach students from K-7 the basics of golf. Students were taught putting, chipping and full swings, along with basic rules and etiquette of the game.



Thank you to Sperling PAC for paying for golf lessons.

New Student Learning Survey

The Ministry has redesigned the Student Satisfaction Survey - now called the Student Learning Survey. The purpose of redesigning the Survey is to provide better analytical insight to school districts, schools, teachers, students, and the Ministry. The redesign reflects recommendations from school districts and students, including:

- ◆ New questions that provide new indicators of students' well-being and achievement—indicators that are strongly supported by academic research and endorsed by many experts in BC's education system
- ◆ More open ended questions to encourage students to provide the reasons for their answers

The new surveys deadline has been extended until May 26, 2017.

Parents may access the survey online at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm by using the Direct Access login.

