

# École Capitol Hill

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians and families,

Our first term is rapidly coming to an end. The month of December is usually filled with many traditional activities for the season, however, due to the COVID19 pandemic we are unfortunately not able to take part in some of them and have had to adapt others. Our Winter Concert and annual Pancake Breakfast hosted by our Capitol Hill PAC with our Burnaby Firefighters serving up piles of pancakes have had to be cancelled for this year. However, we will be collecting non-perishable food donations for our annual food drive during the month of December and also hosting a "Sock Drive" in December and January to assist those less fortunate in our community. We will also be holding three Spirit Days each Friday (Dec. 4th, 11th & 18th). This Friday (Dec. 4th) our Spirit Day will be wear our Capitol Hill School Colours - black & gold), followed by next Friday (Dec. 11th) wear Seasonal Festive Clothing, and finally Friday Dec. 18th will be Pajama Day. We hope these fun days will raise the spirit up for all of us here at Capitol Hill!

Our **interim reports** were issued to our students on **November 20th**. If you are interested scheduling an optional Parent/Teacher conference, please contact the teacher directly via email or phone.

Although this has been a challenging first term, there has been a great vibe at Ecole Capitol Hill with our students and staff getting back to the work of learning and teaching! We will continue to strive to ensure that we provide a safe and enjoyable environment for all at our wonderful school. I would like to take this opportunity in thanking you all for your continued support of our school, and wish you all a very safe, restful, and peaceful holidays. We look forward to seeing you all in 2021.

Wally Kanno  
Principal

### PAC Executive

**Chair:** Valentina Farley

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**PLEASE NOTE:**

**FUTURE DATES AND INFORMATION IN THIS NEWSLETTER ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON COVID-19 DEVELOPMENTS**

We are still seeing many students come to the office requesting to call home for a change of clothes on a rainy day. Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for the changing and unpredictable weather. Students can leave a change of clothes in their classrooms to reduce the number of phone calls home. Thank you in advance.



Thank you to all our Capitol Hill community for donating to the Royal Canadian Legion Poppy campaign. \$277 was raised and donated. Through your donations to the Legion Poppy Fund, the Legion provides financial assistance and support to Veterans, including



Canadian Armed Forces and RCMP, and their families who are in need.

Schedule Reminders

At this time, we are continuing with our staggered start and end times for classes. Please see below to ensure your child(ren) arrive and are picked up at the appropriate times:



Div.	8:45am Start	9:00am Start	10:15-10:30am Recess	10:45-11:00am Recess	11:45am-12:30pm Lunch	12:30-1pm Lunch	2:35pm Dismissal	2:50pm Dismissal
1		✓		✓		✓		✓
2		✓		✓		✓		✓
3		✓		✓		✓		✓
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If your child(ren) will be late or absent from school, please call the office **before 9am** at **604.296.9006** option **2** and leave a message.

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### Weather Related School Closures

In case of inclement winter weather, school closure information will be posted on the district website at [www.burnabyschools.ca](http://www.burnabyschools.ca) and on Twitter @burnabyschools (please follow us!). However, keep in mind that there may be situations where this is not possible, for example, if there are power outages or technical problems. The most reliable way to get school closure information is to listen to your local radio stations.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Information will only be provided on school closures. If there is no closure information, our schools are open for learning! However, the decision to send your child to school or not is ultimately a family decision.

For more detailed information on weather related school closures please go to:

<https://burnabyschools.ca/>



### Food and Sock Drive

Capitol Hill school is hosting a Food Drive to help support the local Burnaby Food Hubs. We have one of these hubs down the street from us at the Burnaby Neighbourhood House—North House on Hastings Street. They are asking for gift cards for groceries (Superstore, Walmart, Save on Foods, Safeway, Buy Low Foods) or non-perishable food items - canned foods, rice, cereal, flour and baby food and formula. We will be collecting these items at the office until Monday, December 14th.

We are also holding a Sock Drive to benefit the “Box for Socks” drive for the Vancouver Homeless Alliance. We are asking that students drop-off new or gently used socks to the office. We will be collecting socks starting on Monday, December 14th to January 8th. We thank you for your generosity to help those in our community who are less fortunate.



# DECEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> <b>BAG</b> <small>BURNABY ART GALLERY</small> Outreach Workshop: Div. 6 & 8	<b>2</b> <b>BAG</b> <small>BURNABY ART GALLERY</small> Outreach Workshop: Div. 1 & 5		<b>4</b> Spirit Day School Colours Day	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>BAG</b> <small>BURNABY ART GALLERY</small> Outreach Workshop: Div. 2 & 7   zoom PAC meeting 6:30pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Spirit Day Seasonal Festive Clothing	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Spirit Day Pajama Day  Last day of School for Winter Break	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 	<b>25</b> 	<b>26</b> 
						
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 	 <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	