



# JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER

Principal: Mr. W. Hiltz • Head Teacher: Ms. J. McQueen • Secretary: Ms. T. Sebez  
Community Coordinator: Mrs. T. Briscoe • Community Assistant: Ms. T. Mackenzie

## Principal's Message

Dear Families:

Another year is coming to an end and it certainly has been quite the year. To say this was a year unlike any other would be a bit of an understatement, I believe. We had so many safety protocols put in place due to COVID – 19, extra cleaning, staggered start/end times, alternate recess and lunch times for students, lots and lots of handwashing and more Zoom meetings than I can count. Through all of it, we have been thankful for your cooperation and support. Despite how many times we had to change the 'rules', we always appreciate how quickly you adapted right along with us. We are hoping that cases continue to drop, vaccine numbers continue to rise and we hope that school in September looks more like we have been used to in the past.

As we begin to wind down, we are planning some of our traditional year-end activities – we will be having a modified Sports Day on Friday. We need to make sure we are following all the Ministries of Health and Education guidelines, as well as the Health and Safety guidelines for the District and Fraser Health. I want to thank the committee who worked on putting this together, keeping all this in mind, so that we are able to have something fun for the children on Friday. Just a reminder that unfortunately, parents are not able to join us as spectators on that day.

The grade seven teachers have been working to plan the leaving ceremony for our grade sevens. I know that a letter with details has gone out to those families inviting parents to be as involved as our current restrictions allow. We are still trying to make this a memorable event for our grade seven students to recognize them as they leave us for high school.

Those families who have a child entering Kindergarten for the 2021 – 2022 school year will be receiving information from us soon as well. We will of course, not be doing our traditional Welcome to Kindergarten event here at the school again this year, but instead will be releasing a video to our new K families. Please know that our kindergarten teachers are excited to meet our new students and their families and we will be doing those meetings in the fall. Welcome to Kindergarten Bags will also be available to families in the fall.

I would like to personally thank all the parents and staff for everything you have done this year to make the last nine months run as smoothly as they have. I am sure you all feel the same as I do - there were moments (many moments) where I was having trouble keeping up with all the changes. I know you all must have felt overwhelmed with the volume of information we were sharing. I know I did and I was the one sharing most of it! I am sure that all of you are hoping for a return to 'normal' in September or at the very least the 'new normal'. Whatever September may look like, the one thing I know for sure is that the Stoney Creek Community will face it with courage and determination, just like we did this past year.

Sincerely,

Mr. W Hiltz  
Principal



Ms. Ladd and friends watering the planters at the front entrance.



## Dates to remember ...

### September 2021

7 School Opens  
24 PRO D Day

### October 2021

11 Thanksgiving  
22 Pro D Day

### November 2021

11 Remembrance Day  
26 Pro D Day

### December 2021

Winter Break  
Dec 20 – Dec 31

### January 2022

4 School Re-opens

### February 2022

21 Family Day  
25 Pro D Day

### March 2022

Spring Break  
March 14 - 25  
28 School Re-opens

### April 2022

15 Good Friday  
18 Easter Monday  
25 Pro D Day

### May 2022

23 Victoria Day

### June 2022

6 Pro D Day  
29 Last day of classes

## IMPORTANT DATES AT STONEY CREEK 2021/2022



The next meeting of the  
Stoney Creek Community Council (PAC)  
via Zoom is on Wednesday, June 16th  
at 6:30 pm This will be a budget planning  
meeting for next year.  
All are welcome to attend!



Our last Pro D Day this year is Monday, June 7, 2021

## ARE YOU MOVING???



We are well into planning for September. It is very helpful for us to know about families who do not plan to attend Stoney Creek Community School in September. If you are definitely moving this summer, please let us know by emailing [tatijana.sebez@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:tatijana.sebez@burnabyschools.ca) with the following Information:

- Your child's name, grade, and current teacher name
- The name of the new school or school district

Thank you for your assistance.



## Good News

Thank you to our amazing community partners who have helped in many ways throughout the year – from donations to student programs to virtually volunteering – we appreciate you! Special thanks to the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Association, Creekside Youth Centre, Burnaby Parks & Rec, Burnaby Mountain Secondary, Burnaby Family Life, Cameray, NEBCA (Garden & Fun Rec), Stoney Creek Environment Committee, Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver, YMCA, ... and more! You have truly helped to make our school a “community” school!



Also, another huge THANK YOU to our Stoney Creek Community Council for your valued input, planning and fundraising for the entire school community. Although things look a little bit different this year, we truly appreciate all of the support you have given Stoney Creek. We look forward to (hopefully) meeting together in person next school year.

## Burnaby Festival of Dance The Show Must Go On



After its cancellation last year during the early stages of the pandemic, a creative approach allowed for the District's annual Burnaby Festival of Dance to go on this month.

Click [here](#) to see the write-up on the school district's website.

Stoney Creek Community School's staff and students embarked on a school-wide dance challenge to the song

Jerusalema. Fourteen Divisions, from Kindergarten to Grade 7, plus the school staff, learned the dance. This Angolan dance routine is traditionally danced at celebrations and weddings. Put these moves together with the South African house track by DJ Master KG and Nomcebo, Jerusalema has become a globally recognized song and also backed a global dance challenge.

The message behind the lyrics of Jerusalema have different meanings for people around the world. But ultimately Jerusalema celebrates the lively beat of South African music while the lyrics express an ultimate desire for hope and happiness in the world. We all know that dance and music is a great avenue to inspire unity amongst all of us. We hope that you enjoy our Jerusalema dance and we invite you to dance along!



## School Supplies, Labels and Books!

Stoney Creek Community Council is once again offering two ways to help ease and simplify your life when your children return to school in September. These options are in fact fundraisers for our Council and are an easy way for you to support our school as well.

Fundraisers organized by Stoney Creek Community Council help support programs within the school, field trips, and more. Both campaigns are open for ordering now. If you have any questions regarding either campaign, please email [stoneycreekcouncil41@gmail.com](mailto:stoneycreekcouncil41@gmail.com).

We thank you for participating and hope that everyone is staying well.

**SCHOOL SUPPLY PACKAGES** through Creative Packs for the 2021/2022 school year.

This is optional – if you wish to purchase your own school supplies, please feel free to do so—see the links at the bottom of this page. As well as being a fundraiser for the Community Council, this is offered for your convenience and Council feels it is good value. Your student school supply packs can be ordered **online** by clicking [here](#).



**After July 4th, a shipping fee of \$10.65 per box** will be applied and the pack will be shipped by Canada Post to your home address. Packs will have a tracking number that will be emailed to you 24 hours after it is processed by Canada Post. **After Monday, August 2nd** the cost will be \$14.00 and will have no guarantee of delivery in time for the first week of school.



If you prefer to purchase your school supplies yourself, please see the supply lists posted on our website. Click here for:

- ☐ [Kindergarten](#)
- ☐ [Grade 1](#)
- ☐ [Grade 2](#)
- ☐ [Grade 3](#)
- ☐ [Grade 4 - 5](#)
- ☐ [Grade 6 - 7](#)

## MABEL's LABELS

We are pleased to once again offer **Mabel's Labels** to Stoney Creek families this year. Mabel's Labels is the leading company for any labels you need for your children at school, daycare, and pre-school. They are also great for sports equipment. They make labels for clothing, shoes, bags, lunch containers or more. Fully customizable, they stay on well and last for ages.

*mabel's labels*

Click [here](#) and then choose the "Support a Fundraiser" option along the top menu and search for Stoney Creek Community School (Burnaby). This is an ongoing fundraiser and is open for your orders now.

# Indigo

**Don't forget—our ongoing Indigo Fundraiser!**

[Indigo Cashback](#) – Every time we shop online through our group's fundraising page, Stoney Creek Council earns cash back! It's that easy. Join our fundraiser now by clicking [here](#) and using our invite code **PJBB3C**.





We are excited to share with you that Stoney Creek Community School will be hosting a **Virtual In-School Talent Show** on Friday, June 25, 2021. We know that our Stoney students have lots of talent – from magic tricks, to sports tricks, dancing, to playing an instrument – we would love to see what you can do!

We are inviting students who wish to share their talent(s) to film a video at home for the Talent Show and submit it to the school by Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021. We will put the videos together to create one show.

- ◇ Students may perform as a solo act or as a group with other students in their cohort or social bubble (this is at your discretion).
- ◇ We prefer that performances be no longer than 3 minutes. Please note that we may edit the length of the video to allow for all performances to be showcased.
- ◇ The talent show itself will be a show and a time to share our special skills. **It will not be a competition.**
- ◇ Due to Covid, we are unfortunately unable to provide space for students to practice their talent at school.
- ◇ Video submissions can be sent via email or uploaded to Ms. Briscoe (taryn.briscoe@burnabyschools.ca). If you need assistance with figuring out how to share the file, please let Ms. Briscoe know
- ◇ We may create a short “highlight reel” to show a quick glance of the talent show to share with families. (Please see entry form for details and permission)
- ◇ Students who would like to participate but may have limited access to technology to film their talent can come and let Ms. Payjack or Ms. Briscoe know.

Please click [here](#) for the entry form. Please return the entry form to Ms. Payjack or Ms. Briscoe by Tuesday, June 8, 2021 so we know how many performances to expect.

Thank you for your continued support!

**If you do not have a printer,  
students may ask Ms. Payjack for a form.**



# In our community ...



## Creekside Youth Centre

**SUMMER PROGRAMS GR. 5-7**

\*REGISTRATION REQUIRED

### Preteen Activity Time

Mondays & Wednesdays 2-5pm

### Computer/Switch Time

Tuesdays & Thursdays 2-5pm

### Canoeing at Deer Lake

July 7 & 21 August 4 & 18 2-5pm

Creekside Youth Centre  
604-294-7607 | burnaby.ca/youth



@Creeksideyouthcentre



## Welcome an international student!

Langara operates one of the best homestay programs in Canada. International students have the opportunity to live with Canadian families while they complete their education and host families welcome new people and cultures into their homes. Families who host through Langara's program also benefit from generating income, up to \$1,000 per month, for students staying in their room.

For more than 30 years, the program has placed over 25,000 students while enriching the lives of students and families across the Lower Mainland. In the past year we have successfully, and safely, placed hundreds of College and high school students in new homes and supported the mandatory quarantine period upon their arrival.

Host families who have welcomed an international student have been comfortable with the health and safety guidelines and the student experience of their stay.

*"Although we were hesitant to host in the middle of a pandemic, it ended up being a delightful experience. Vanessa was well prepared about expectations before arriving and explicitly followed quarantine, PHOs and our curfews."*

Alessandra & David Pagliardi

*"We've been doing homestay since the mid-2000s and have always enjoyed the experiences we have and the friendships we build. That is why we do this - to make lifelong friends from different countries and cultures!"*

*Due to the Covid pandemic we had some obvious concerns. However, with the BC government and Langara's protocols that were instituted we are comfortable continuing with the program knowing everyone's health and safety is the first priority. As we prepare to say goodbye to our current Italian student in a couple months, we look forward to our next student this fall, and the new friendships that we can continue to build!"*

Sophia & Paul Tanaka

Our homestay program places high school students for the Burnaby School District. These students come from Europe, Asia and South America - usually stay for five to 10 months, and are keen to experience life with a host family. If you have easy access to a local high school, either by walking or by transit, we'd like to explore the opportunity for you to join our homestay program.

For more information or to apply to the program, please contact Langara Homestay: 604-323-5696 or [homestay@langara.ca](mailto:homestay@langara.ca).



A reminder, please keep out of our creek. The Stoney Creek Environment Committee (SECC) would like to remind you and your pets that although the creek is a tempting place to cool off; delicate and vulnerable salmon eggs and fry lay under the rocks in the creek. Please help us to preserve this precious resource.

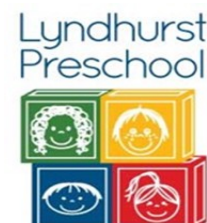


## Lyndhurst Preschool is now taking registration for September 2021

Our new program will run from 9:15 – 12:30 on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and will accommodate 3 and 4 year old children.

For more information please go to our website

[www.lyndhurstpreschool.com](http://www.lyndhurstpreschool.com) or contact us at 604-861-9198.





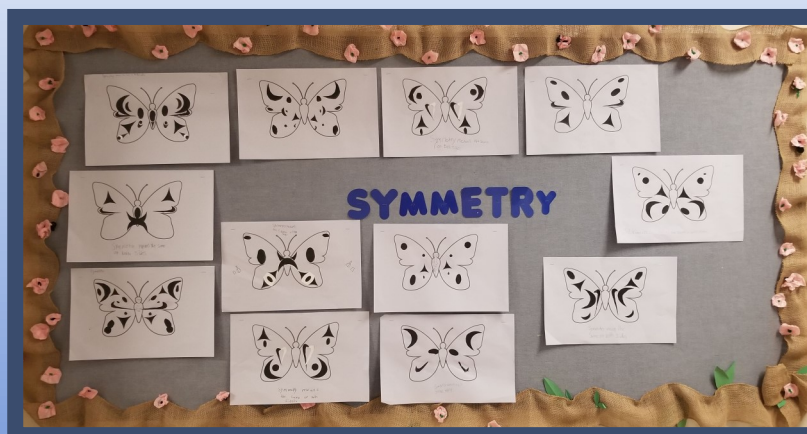


# Stoney Gallery



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Division 7



Division 13





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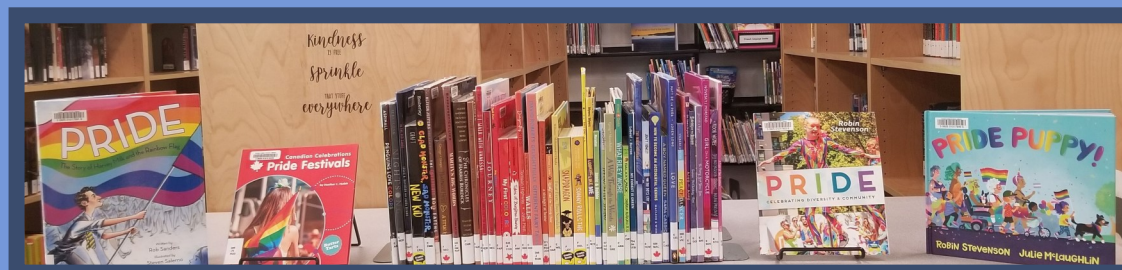
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Heritage  
Month  
May 2021**



**Division 2**



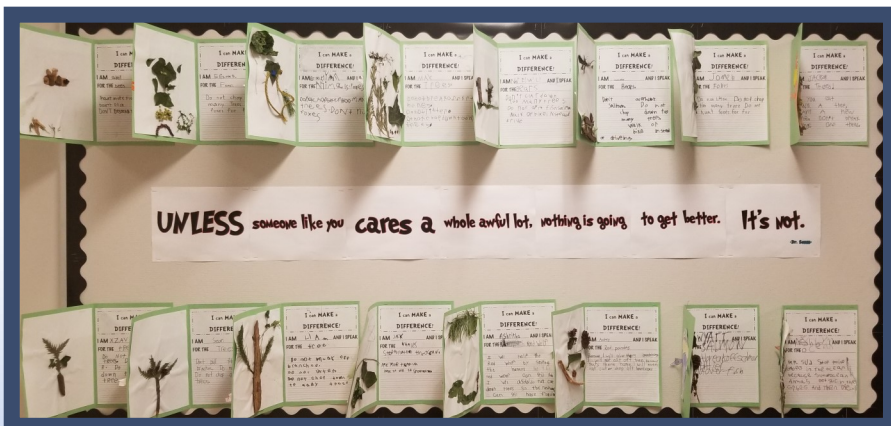
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In June**



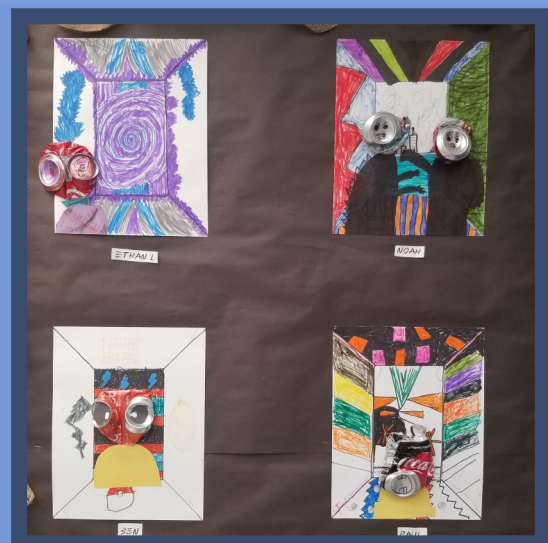




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## Division 12



## Division 6

