



# FEBRUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

Principal: Mr. W. Hiltz • Head Teacher: Ms. J. McQueen • Secretary: Ms. L. Heath  
Community Coordinator: Mrs. T. Briscoe • Community Assistants: Ms. T. Mackenzie, Ms. I Tam

## Principal's Message



**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS!**

Dear Stoney Creek Families:

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of January already, the month certainly has gone quickly. I hope that you all are doing well and remaining healthy these days. I do realize that there is lots of information being sent your way, like always. We continue to try and ensure we are keeping up to date and providing you with the most recent and relevant information possible. I would like to thank Mr. Chad Leaman, Chair of Stoney Creek Community Council for co-writing the most recent letter you received where he and I attempted to provide you with some key updates and website links where you can access up-to-date information on COVID – 19. It is important that you have these websites as reference. As always, you can find the COVID – 19 tab at the very top of our and the district website, should you forget. This will link you directly to the most recent information shared by us and the District from trusted sources such as the BCCDC and Fraser Health.

I want to thank our parents and community volunteers who took part in Literacy Week this past week. It was a busy and very fun week here at Stoney Creek. I hope you saw the daily posts on Twitter (feed and link on our school website) showing some of the activities that took place here. Staff shared poetry, read stories and everyone wore hats, dressed 'wild' and in sports theme and brought their favorite stuffie to school. I think many of our students learned some new words with our Word of the Day and we may have some budding actors on staff as we capped off the week with the staff Reader's Theatre shared with everyone. My thanks to everyone – staff, students and parents, for their participation and a special thank you to Ms. Briscoe and Ms. Schiml for all their organization in putting the week together. A special gift was given to students in grade one classes this week as well; they got to take home a book to share with their families.

As we turn our thoughts to February, we want to share with you that we will be having Saleema Noon, a Sexual Health Educator, presenting to our students later in the month. She will also be hosting a Parent Information Evening as well.

Please watch for more detailed information on those events in the next couple of weeks. Our thanks to the Stoney Creek Community Council for their support of this event in our school. February also will see formal Report Cards being sent home on the 24th. Please make sure you are taking the time to review this report with your child and communicate any questions you may have to your child's teacher. We recognize that during COVID – 19 it is challenging because you are not able to be in the building. We encourage you to reach out should you have questions and/or concerns once you





## At Stoney Creek ...

### Principal's Message Cont'd

receive the Report Card as you are an important part in the reporting process. The link between home and school is crucial to help ensure success in childrens' education. Just as a note – the week report cards go home is both a busy AND short week – Monday 21st – Family Day, Saleema Noon is here that week, Thursday 24th – Report Cards, and Friday 25th – Pro D Day.

One final reminder to all our families, and please feel free to share with families who may be new to our school and not yet receive our newsletters. February is registration month in Burnaby. All schools accept registrations for the following school year throughout the month. Registration information is posted on our school website as well as the District website. Again, this year registration is to be completed on-line and in-person registration is not required. All the information as to documentation required, school catchment areas, etc., can be found on the websites.

With the upcoming Family Day long weekend, we hope that you are able to enjoy some family activities together. We also hope that the weather will be nice that weekend so that activities may be enjoyed outside, if possible.

*Mr. W Hiltz*  
Principal



**Our Next  
Virtual Council Meeting is  
February 16, 2022 at 6:30 pm** for all  
parents/guardians & community members.  
**Everyone is welcome to attend!**

For minutes of past meetings and for upcoming meeting dates,  
please remember to check our website [here](#).



**On behalf of all Stoney Creek Council members and all the  
school staff, we would like to wish you a  
Happy Lunar New Year and a  
prosperous year of the Tiger.**



Don't forget, our Mabel's Labels fundraising is still going on. Simply search for our school name before making any online purchase on their website at [https://mabelslabels.ca/en\\_CA/fundraising/support/](https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/)

Our school will receive 20% commission of all sales and those proceeds will go towards supporting classroom learning.



# At Stoney Creek ...

Many thanks to our custodians,  
Mr. Ram and Mr. Erickson  
for their continual cleaning that keeps us safe  
and healthy AND for shovelling snow and  
salting our walkways.

We appreciate you!

What did the light  
bulb say to his  
Valentine?

"I wuv you watts  
and watts!"

**Salmon in the Classroom**  
at Stoney Creek OUR SCHOOL

We're studying salmon!

Our tiny salmon eggs have arrived! We are learning about the life cycle of Pacific salmon. In the fall, salmon return to spawn and leave thousands of eggs in the gravel of many B.C. streams and rivers.

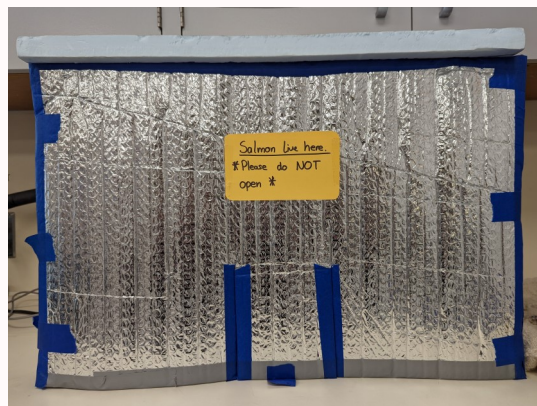
Our salmon eggs are developing in a special classroom incubator. We provide cold, clean water and lots of oxygen for the salmon eggs. We monitor the aquarium each day, and record the temperature of the water. We are learning about salmon and salmon habitat, and how salmon are very sensitive to changes in their environment. We hope all our salmon eggs will hatch!

We are proud to announce the arrival of **55** tiny orange Chum salmon species eggs to our classroom on Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 2022

**Sharing Support**

"Salmonids in the Classroom" is supported and funded by Fisheries and Oceans Canada in partnership with your school district. We are excited that your child is studying salmon. Learning about stewardship helps students contribute to our community, making a difference for salmon and for us all!

"... learning about one's natural environment while experiencing it can be a life-changing event that forever alters one's perspective and understanding."  
David Guggenheirn, Vice President, The Ocean Conservancy



Chum salmon hatch between 475 - 525 ATUs at

### Accumulated Thermal Units

Date	Today's temp	+ Yesterday's ATUs	= Today's ATUs
Jan 7 <sup>th</sup>	5c	370 (-20??)	375
Jan 8 <sup>th</sup>	5c	375	380
Jan 9 <sup>th</sup>	5c	380	385
Jan 10 <sup>th</sup>	-6c	385	391
Jan 11 <sup>th</sup>	-6c	391	397
Jan 12 <sup>th</sup>	5c	397	402
Jan 13 <sup>th</sup>	-6c	402	408
Jan 14 <sup>th</sup>	5c	408	413
Jan 15 <sup>th</sup>	5c	413	418
Jan 16 <sup>th</sup>	-6c	418	424
Jan 17 <sup>th</sup>	6c	424	430
Jan 18 <sup>th</sup>	-6c	430	436
Jan 19 <sup>th</sup>	5c	436	441
Jan 20 <sup>th</sup>	-6c	441	447
Jan 21 <sup>st</sup>	5c	447	452
Jan 22 <sup>nd</sup>	-6c	452	458
Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5c	458	463
Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>	5c	463	468
Jan 25 <sup>th</sup>	6c	468	474
Jan 26 <sup>th</sup>	5c	474	479
Jan 27 <sup>th</sup>	5c	479 - 9 = 470	475
Jan 28 <sup>th</sup>	5c	475	480
Jan 29 <sup>th</sup>	5c	480	485
Jan 30 <sup>th</sup>	5c	485	490
Jan 31 <sup>st</sup>	5c	490	495

Division 6 is learning about the life cycle of Pacific salmon!

Stay tuned for more photos and observation of our salmon experiences



## Family Literacy Week

Stoney students and staff had a busy and exciting week celebrating Family Literacy Week during the last week of January. Students were engaged in many literacy activities such as our daily 'Word of the Day' challenge, Drop Everything and Read, design a bookmark contest, Poetry in my Pocket, Slido Book Trivia, live virtual Guest Readers, Reading Themed Dress Up Days, daily book draws and our Staff Readers' Theatre of "The Book with No Pictures". Thank you all for participating and being enthusiastic about books and reading!

Winners of the draws and contest are:

**Primary daily book draw:** Ethan H, Arnav U and Daniel K

**Intermediate daily book draw:** Harper M, Alex C and Cody T



## Thank you to all of our Guest Readers who volunteered to read to our school for Guest Reader Day during Literacy Week

**Lori Hope** – retired Stoney teacher

**Mark Frouws** – Creekside Youth Centre Manager

**Stephanie Good** – former Stoney Creek teacher-librarian

**Anne Drewa** – Global News Reporter & Anchor

**Doug Savage** – Author and Illustrator of the Savage Chicken comic series and more

**Chad Leaman** – Chair of Stoney Creek Community Council (PAC)

**Kelly Chow** – Principal – Burnaby School District

And our amazing Stoney Creek parent volunteers:

**Patricia Wesling, Oren Friedman, Lev Titievsky, Kim Bhatnager, Nadia White, Char Fothergill, Karen Leeden, Jeanne-Marie Owens, and Sandhya Pawar.**



Follow us on Twitter [@stoneycreekcs](https://twitter.com/stoneycreekcs) to see more pictures of our Family Literacy Week



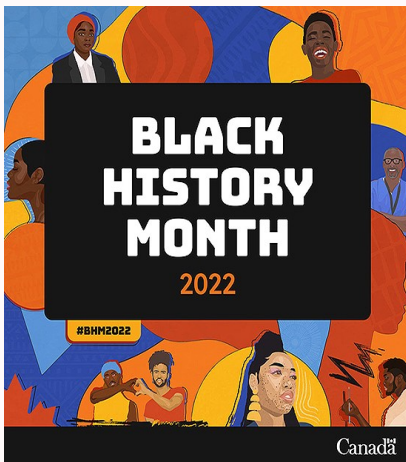
## Bulletin Board



In order to assist with physical distancing and limiting the spread of COVID-19, parents will continue to use the online registration system to upload registration documents for students wanting to come to school in September 2022. Parents will be required to provide original documents once schools are fully accessible again. All new students have to register at their local school even if they wish to attend a different school or a district program. Click [here](#) to see details about the registration process.

## Grade 7 to 8 Information

Current Grade 7 Burnaby District students will automatically be registered for Grade 8 at the secondary school within the designated attendance area where the student resides. For more information about Grade 7 Student Planning for Fall 2022, please click [here](#). For information about Virtual Information Sessions and Videos please click [here](#).



## February is Black History month

Throughout the month of February students at Stoney Creek will be celebrating and remembering the many ways Black Canadians have contributed to Canada's history and culture. Did you know that the theme for Black History Month 2022 is "**February and Forever: Celebrating Black History today and every day**". Here are some great resource links to learn and celebrate Black History Month together at home:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month.html>

<https://www.cbc.ca/kidscbc2/the-feed/all-about-black-history-month>

## Pink Shirt Day February 23, 2022

Choose kindness and say  
"NO" to bullying.

Wear a pink shirt to school on February 23rd to show support to this anti-bullying initiative.





## Programs at Creekside

Creekside will open for preteens on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:45-5:00 pm. A variety of fun recreational and social activities are available at our youth centres! Youth have access to free WiFi, computers, gaming systems, pool tables, foosball tables, open gym nights, card and board games, TV and more!

A reminder to book in advance for preteen times at Creekside Youth Centre as it's starting to fill up regularly. Please note—Creekside will be closed on Family Day, February 21, for preteens. For more information, please see the City of Burnaby website for Creekside by clicking [here](#).

### Pro-D Day: Rock Climbing (Grades 5-7)



Friday, Feb 25th

9am to 3pm, \$30

Creekside Youth Centre

Barcode: 647073

Students will take public transit to Climb Base5 in Coquitlam and then return to Creekside for fun games and activities for the rest of the day.

### Girls Group!

Jan 27 to March 3

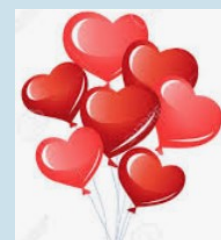
3-5pm at

Creekside Youth Centre

Cost: \$30

Barcode: 653370

Come hang out with your peers participating in sports, cooking, arts and crafts and other exciting activities





## Bulletin Board

The Burnaby School District invites applications for the following casual, on-call positions: STUDENT SUPERVISORS &/OR CROSSING GUARDS

Student Supervisors provide support for students during the lunch break, ensuring student safety in and around our schools and work during the school lunch break period for 70 minutes. Crossing Guards provide support for students arriving/departing from school, and can work one hour before school, and one hour after school. Applicants for these positions will have a Grade 12 education, and demonstrated ability and experience in working with children. Applicants must be available to work throughout the District when school is in session.

HOW DO I APPLY TO THE BURNABY SCHOOL DISTRICT?

All applications with relevant documentation can be made through [applications@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:applications@burnabyschools.ca).



## Wildlife around Stoney Creek!



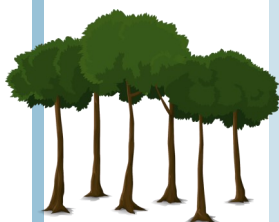
Cougars or wolves can be seen in urban areas. The City of Burnaby is home for many species of wildlife including bears, deer, coyotes, beavers and squirrels. Viewing wildlife within an urban area can be a wonderful experience, but sometimes a nuisance or a safety concern. The province is responsible for wildlife management and conservation concerns, and provides information to residents to reduce human-animal conflict.

If you see wildlife involved in any of the following, please report to a BC Conservation Officer at the 24 hour, Toll Free Call Centre - 1-877-952-7277:

- ◆ Accessing garbage or other human supplied food sources
- ◆ Wildlife that cannot be easily scared off
- ◆ Dangerous wildlife is in a public location like a city park or school during daylight hours
- ◆ The following information may be useful for some human-wildlife interactions in Burnaby. If you observe dangerous wildlife in an urban area

Report coyotes displaying aggressive or threatening behaviour anywhere in British Columbia immediately to: Ministry of Environment's Call Centre: 1-800-663-9453.

More information about co-existing with coyotes can be found at the Stanley Park Ecology Society's website—link below.  
<http://stanleyparkecology.ca/conservation/co-existing-with-coyotes/>





# MEET OUR STAFF!! - Then & Now

*These photos are on display on our staff bulletin board inside the school.  
We will share a few more staff photos each month!*

**THEN**



**NOW**



**Mr. Sinclair - Grade 1/2**

**THEN**



**NOW**



**Ms. Catungal - Kindergarten**

**THEN**



**NOW**



**Mr. Hiltz - Principal**

**THEN**



**NOW**



**Ms. Mitchell - Grade 5/6**

**THEN**



**NOW**



**Mr. Leach - Resource Teacher**

**THEN**



**NOW**



**Ms. Huckle - K/1**





# Parent Information Night

**Parent Information Night**  
**February 9th, 2022**  
**6-8 pm**  
**Online via Zoom**



**What we say and how we talk  
about substance use  
matters...**

**Build your knowledge and confidence in speaking with your child  
about drug and alcohol use...**

**In this session we will focus on:**

- Current substance use trends. Societal and media influences around substance use. What you should know about substance use and the law.
- How to talk with your child about substances they may be exposed to as they get older.
- How to respond to a child who is exposed to peer substance use, experimenting with use or is struggling with substance use. Helping youth understand signs of an overdose and how to respond.
- Increasing your confidence, competence and comfort level in discussing drugs and alcohol with your child.
- The importance of decreasing stigma when talking about substance use and addiction.

**The presentation will be facilitated by:**

- Burnaby School District-Safe Schools team, District Counsellor & Mental Health Liason
- First Nations Health Authority-Indigenous Educator, Harm Reduction
- Fraser Health-Public Health Nurse
- Odyssey Substance Use Services- Youth Counsellor

**Register today by email:**  
**[jessica.gill@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:jessica.gill@burnabyschools.ca)**



Click [here](#) for other Sports Opportunities



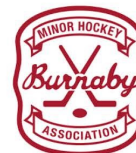
# BURNABY & NEW WEST GIRLS COME TRY HOCKEY SESSIONS



*FREE Sessions • Pre-Registration Required  
Equipment Provided • COVID Protocols in Place*



**SUNDAY MARCH 6th**  
**Session 1 @ 2:15 to 3:45 pm**  
**Session 2 @ 3:45 to 5:15 pm**  
**Burnaby Lake Arena**



Burnaby Lake Arena • 3676 Kensington Avenue

**PRE-REGISTER**

[www.BurnabyMinor.com/Girls-Female-Hockey](http://www.BurnabyMinor.com/Girls-Female-Hockey)

[BurnabyGirlsTryHockey@gmail.com](mailto:BurnabyGirlsTryHockey@gmail.com)



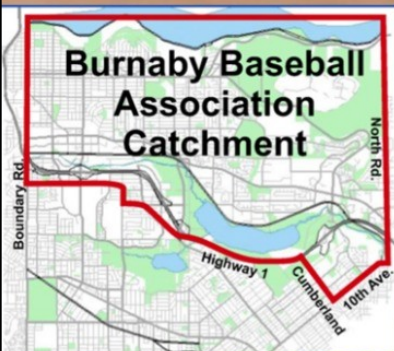
Click [here](#) for other Sports Opportunities



# BURNABY BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Register for Spring Baseball programs for boys & girls ages 4-25

Home of the 2020 18U College Prep Provincial Champions



New To Burnaby Baseball?  
Take advantage of Grassroots  
5U & 7U Discounts  
Info on our website below



Start Registering at [www.burnabybaseball.com](http://www.burnabybaseball.com)  
Deadline Friday, March 4th, 2022