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Parent Newsletter – June 28, 2016

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello to our MacNeill families. Our school year has come to an end and as I reflect on my first year as a Raven I can say that I have been so fortunate to have worked with your children this past year. Throughout the year our student population has demonstrated impressive participation in classroom and extra curricular activities that are inclusive, purposeful and fun.

From the many clubs and team sports to student council events in our lounge at lunch time to dance and drama presentations your children have played a part in strengthening our school community on a daily basis. The culture of the school is open and I have been so impressed as there really is something for everyone. If your child is thinking about joining in on more activities next year remind them to visit the table at our Clubs Day in September!

As this year comes to a close we are saying good bye to some of our teachers. I would like to thank Mrs. Irshad, Mr. Daley, Mr. Liang and Ms. Chang for their contributions to our school this year. Each of these teachers has worked hard to teach, lead, stretch and support their students this year. On behalf of the MacNeill community I say a big Thank you. You will be missed.

We also will be saying good bye to Ms. Thompson who will be retiring this year. Ms. Thompson has taught French, Science and Math during her years at MacNeill. She has also been the teacher sponsor for our First Responder program. Thank you Ms. Thompson!

In August students will receive a package in the mail that welcomes them to the 2016-17 school year. This package will include important information and our school family calendar.

Enjoy a restful, happy and safe summer holiday!

Marcy Timmins

FINAL REPORT CARDS

Students picked up their report cards on June 28 at 1:30 p.m. in their Advisory classes. For students who wrote Provincial Exams, the results are available from July 30, 2016. You will note on your report card how to find out your marks through the Ministry website. You will need your PEN number which you will also find on your report card. Report cards not picked up will be mailed home.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION - PROVINCIAL EXAM BULLETIN: A Provincial Exam Bulletin has been posted to the Exams website under “Popular Topics”: <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/> and is attached to this email. This bulletin is designed to answer the questions most commonly asked by students regarding provincial exams results, transcripts, August exams, Provincial Scholarships, etc.

There is also a link provided to this bulletin on the Student Secure Web “Welcome” page where students go to access their exam results after July 30, 2016: <https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/tsw/student/>

2015-2016 YEARBOOKS

If yearbooks are not picked up on June 28, students must come to the school during the summer office hours to do so.

ARE YOU MOVING THIS SUMMER?

If you are moving this summer and your child **will not be attending a Richmond School** next year, please have your child pick up the **Not Returning 2016-2017** form in the office or it can be downloaded from the school website. Return it to the office as soon as possible.

NOTICE OF LATE RETURN

This form is available at the school office and must be completed for any student(s) **who expects to return to their assigned school LATER THAN 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 2016 and ON or BEFORE September 30, 2016.** Please download the form from the school website.

MACNEILL SCHOOL SUMMER HOURS

July 4 to July 8 – 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

School is closed on Friday, July 1, Canada Day and Monday, August 1, Civic Holiday

July 11 to August 26, 2016 - 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Regular School Hours resume Monday, August 29 from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Ms. Wong, secretary, and **Ms. Ng**, business assistant, will be working throughout the summer. Yearbooks and, for our graduates, Valedictory DVDs, can be picked up during summer office hours. Other outstanding items, such as fees, textbooks, etc. can be brought to the office during the summer. There will be Summer School through Richmond Continuing Education happening at MacNeill during July and their hours are different from the school office hours. If you do have school business, note the 8:00 am. - 2:00 p.m. office hours.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

September 6, 2016 is the first official day of school and all students attend an assembly in the Large Gym and their Advisory class. When students come to school they are to proceed directly to the large gym where Advisory class lists will be posted. The first day will begin with a grade group assembly and then students will go to their assigned Advisory class. Students will be at school this first day for just over one hour. The time for each grade has yet to be finalized. Please look for the first day schedule during August in the summer newsletter and on the school web-site.

There will be a newsletter sent home in early August with details of the first week of school, other activities and events in September.

HAPPY SUMMER

*The staff of A. R. MacNeill Secondary wishes you and your
family
a happy, safe, and fun-filled!*