



Cleveland Elementary School

École élémentaire Cleveland

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The Cleveland School Mission is to provide an environment that fosters the emotional, social and physical well being and the intellectual development of all students. Cleveland School will promote a positive self concept, respect for self, respect for others, respect for the environment, fitness and health..

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WELCOME BACK – BIENVENUE!

We hope that you have had a restful and enjoyable summer vacation and are looking forward to another successful school year at Cleveland.

A number of new families have registered during the summer months.

On behalf of the Cleveland School Community, it is my pleasure to extend a warm welcome to families who are new to our school and to all those who are returning for another great year.

The following staff changes have occurred since the end of June:

We are pleased to welcome the following staff to Cleveland.

- Victoria Fedorak will be joining us from Carisbrooke. She will be taking over Tara Parkinson's assignment. Tara has taken an early maternity leave.
- Jessica Blumel will be joining us from Dorothy Lynas, to enrol an Intermediate French class.
- Stephanie Weller will be joining us from Sherwood Park to enrol an Intermediate French class. Stephanie is replacing Eric Armstrong who has decided to become a Teacher on Call for the District.
- Ashley Chapman will be joining us from Larson, at the primary level to work one day a week in Donna Kry's class.

Tomorrow morning, Wednesday, students will return to the classrooms they were in this morning and they will be organized into their new classes. Students will then move to their new class to meet this year's teacher. This will be a full school day and students are expected to bring all their school supplies.

Class lists will be posted at the front entrance of the school for parents as soon as possible at the beginning of the school day. Organizing classes is a long and difficult process. In order to provide a well-balanced classroom, we have considered academic abilities, work habits, learning styles, social needs and gender ratios. Parent input has also been taken into consideration as we try to provide students with the best possible placement. Although it may not have been possible to accommodate specific requests, please be assured that all information has been taken into consideration. A great deal of care has been taken in creating class groupings and there are a number of factors, which must be taken into consideration when we undertake this task. We have done our best to balance classes with respect to gender and ability; within the prescribed parameters. Once the groups have been established there is no flexibility and as a result **we are unable to make any changes to classroom assignments and placements will not be altered by request.** Your support and understanding is greatly appreciated and will help in making this school year a great success for your child.

Ian McWilliams
Principal



PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING BELL SCHEDULE FOR GRADE 1-7 FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR.

Entrance Bell	8:50 a.m.
First Instructional Period	8:55 – 10:20 a.m.
Recess	10:20 – 10:40 a.m.
Second Instructional Period	10:40 – 12:00 p.m.
Lunch	12:00 – 12:55 p.m.
Third Instructional Period	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Student Call-Back Program

The Cleveland student call-back service will begin tomorrow. This program ensures that all students are accounted for by 9:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. each day. If your child is going to be absent or late, please call the school before 9:00 a.m. Our voice mail can be accessed at any time. The call-back number is 604-903-3394. Please be advised that if your child is absent without notice, a staff member will:

- call your home
- call your business phone
- call your emergency numbers
- failing any response, a search for your child will begin and if necessary the RCMP will be contacted.

Students are reminded, if they arrive at school late, to sign in at the office before reporting to the classroom. Your assistance with this program would be greatly appreciated.

STUDENTS WITH MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Cleveland School is registered with the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation's No Child Without Program. This offers all elementary school aged children with medical conditions or allergies free MedicAlert protection. Please pick up a brochure from the school office to register your child if he/she has a medical condition.

CLEVELAND SAFETY PATROL PROGRAM

Students interested in becoming a safety patrol may get a consent form and information letter at the front office. We will be having our annual Safety Patrol Training on Thursday, September 17th from 1:00-3:00 pm in the large gym. The program is sponsored by the BCAA in conjunction with the RCMP. Students who were patrollers last year will get updates and a refresher and also need to fill in the consent form for this year. Come join the safety team!



NOTICE TO PARENTS LOSS PREVENTION

Please note that the North Vancouver School District is unable to insure any and all personal property owned by students such as musical instruments, calculators and computers. The School District will therefore, not accept any liability for loss or damage of personal property under any circumstances.

Students should refrain from bringing personal belongings of value to school, unless necessary. Items brought to school should be adequately insured by parents for loss or damage. For more information regarding insurance please contact your insurance agent providing home owner coverage.

Thank you for your support.

