

ECOLE KEATING ELEMENTARY

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents / Guardians;

The 2009 / 2010 school year has been another very productive one at Keating Elementary; one that I feel reveals its growth into an excellent K-5 school.

Another school year has quickly passed by and has now come to a close. What a year we have had! Due to the hard work of all of our stakeholders in our learning community, we have much to be proud of in the accomplishments of our students and the successful activities we have all been a part of this year. The school has emerged as a very family oriented school spurred on by activities like family read-ins, pre-school story times and spring fair. We continue to improve in the areas of our focused goals on Balanced Literacy, Numeracy and Social Responsibility. Life in our school is not just centered around work, work, work; we have a lot of fun as well.

Once again, our year was highlighted with many K-5 student-oriented activities such as our visiting Performing Art Presentations. We even took the time to Sing & Dance together. The many field trips, open house, christmas hampers, trees and sing-a-longs, as well as athletics, author visits and read-ins brought us closer together as a family. All of these activities were great fun and also valuable learning experiences for our whole student body.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We provide a safe secure environment where students develop the critical thinking and social skills necessary to be confident and successful life-long learners.

KEATING VISION STATEMENT

AT KEATING WE ARE A CARING
COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS WHO
TREAT EACH OTHER WITH RESPECT,
WELCOME DIVERSITY
AND CELEBRATE TOGETHER

The last few days of school have been long ones full of celebration, recognitions, saying good-byes, field trips, sports days, clean-up as well as organizing and planning for next year. I can't believe that it is over so fast. Our students are all taller, wiser and faster, while some of us older folk are....well, together we have accomplished so many great things;

- from learning to tying our shoes to memorizing times tables and finding out about palindromes;
- from painting our name to researching a report and writing Poetry;
- from painting pictures with our fingers to creating claymation dioramas and developing computer generated designs;
- from learning to skip to shooting hoops to playing chess;
- from identifying letters to reading three words in a row to finishing book after book after book in Red Cedar;
- we have met many new friends and we have said good-bye to others as we traveled through this year;
- we have invited in dignitaries and special guests who have been a part of celebrations and helped us in our learning;
- we have been invited out into our community to be a part of learning outside these walls.

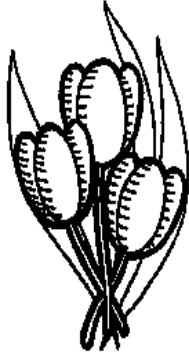
I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Keating families, staff and students for a terrific year. We are very fortunate to be in this learning journey together. What a year!

Thank-you to all parents, staff and students for all of the memories. It has been a very SPECIAL YEAR!

Respectfully,

M. Notte

Mark Notte
Principal



DATES TO NOTE

June 29 th	Last Day for Students Reports sent home
June 30 th	Admin Day; Staff only at school
July 12 - Aug. 27 th	School Office Closed
Aug. 30 th	School Office Opens; 8 a.m. - 3:30 pm
Sept. 6 th	Labour Day
Sept. 7 th	First Day of School; Gr. 1-5's 8:40 – 10:30 a.m.
Sept. 8-14 th	Kindergarten; Gradual Entry
Sept. 9 th	KHASA General Meeting 7 pm
Sept. 17 th	Whole School Assembly
Sept. 23 rd	Open House / Dessert Evening
Sept. 27 th	Non-Instructional Day
Sept. 29 th	Photo Day
Oct. 11 th	Thanksgiving Day (school closed)
Oct. 14 th	KHASA parent Educational Night 7 pm
Oct. 15 th	Hot Lunch
Oct. 20/21 st	Early Dismissal Days; 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 22 nd	Non-Instructional Day
Oct. 28 th	Photo Retake Day

FROM THE OFFICE

- **Registration** is ongoing for Kindergarten and all other grades at the School Board's Student Placement Office, 2125 Keating Cross Road. District Student. For more information call 250-652-7300.
- **Keating School Office** will close for the summer on Friday, July 9th and will reopen on Monday, August 31st.
- **2010-2011; School Bus Registration Form** is available at www.sd63.bc.ca Form along with payment can be dropped off to the school office or the Saanich School Board Office.

- **School Calendar;** Included with this newsletter is a schedule of important dates for the 2010 / 2011 school year, along with our hours of operation.
- **Are you moving?** We have begun our planning for the 2010/2011 school year. It is very important to know accurate student numbers. Therefore, if you know that your child will not be attending Keating or Bayside Middle School next year, please inform the school office by phone or e-mail. If you have a change of address or phone number, please inform the school office so that we can ensure your child(ren)'s contact information is accurate.

- School Office: 250-652-9261
- e-mail: keating_elem@sd63.bc.ca
- **Report Cards;** if your child has not received their report card, report cards will be available at the school office until Friday, July 9th for pickup. After this date, all unclaimed reports will be held at the school office until September 2010.
- **Class Photo** was sent home with all students. Please let the office know if your child did not receive a class photo.

SCHOOL SUPPLY ORDERS

Bulk orders will be delivered to students in their new classroom the first week of September.

A confirmation of orders were sent home with all students (K-4) who pre-ordered.

Pre-ordered Bayside supplies were handed out to grade 5 students two weeks ago.

New Kindergarten / Keating families who pre-ordered will receive a confirmation by e-mail.

LOST & FOUND

Please stop and check the Lost & Found items located in the foyer by the Gym. All these articles of clothing and footwear must belong to someone! Small Lost & Found items such as keys, eyeglasses, jewellery, toys, and more are located in a box at the office. Feel free to stop by and check if you or your child have lost an item. All unclaimed Lost & Found items will be sent to charity, Friday, July 9th.

**CRIMINAL RECORDS
CHECKS
REQUIRED FOR ALL
VOLUNTEERS IN THE
SAANICH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

- Valid **Criminal Record Checks** are required for all volunteers in the Saanich School District. i.e. Field trip drivers, classroom helpers, library helpers, hot lunch volunteers, sports team volunteers;
- The school provides a letter from the principal for the volunteer to take to the police station, requesting that the police waive the fee. Letter can be picked up from the school office;
- Criminal Record Checks are valid for up to one year after the date the Criminal Record check was completed. **Having this completed or renewed over the next three months will ensure that it is valid until the end of the 2010/2011 school year;**
- The volunteer attends the police station in the municipality in which they reside to complete the Criminal Record Check application and present their identification. An exception to this is if the volunteer resides on one of the four tribal reserves in the area in which case the Criminal Record Check must be conducted through the Sidney RCMP detachment;
- The police department conducts the Criminal Record Check and the volunteer goes back to pick up the form;
- The completed Criminal Record Check is submitted without delay to the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer at the School Board Office (2125 Keating Cross Rd., Victoria / across from the Co-Op grocery store). School District will accept original documents only. For protection of privacy reasons, copies are not kept at the school. The original form is to be sent to the School Board Office as soon as possible and no later than three days prior to the field trip occurring or the volunteer starting at the school, coaching a team, etc. in order to provide enough time for the Secretary-Treasurer's Office to follow up any Criminal Record Check that may come back with a tick indicating a record has been found;

- If the Criminal Record Check is clear, the volunteer's name is added by the Secretary-Treasurer's Office to the Volunteer Bulletin Board on Zimbra, the district's internal mail system. School secretaries and/or school administration have access to view this listing and should be checking on behalf of teachers or other staff organizing volunteers, to make sure the names are listed;
- If the Criminal Record Check is not clear, the Secretary-Treasurer's Office will follow up with the school principal and volunteer, and the Secretary-Treasurer will make the determination as to whether or not the person can volunteer in the district;
- When the volunteer's name is added to the Volunteer List, they can volunteer anywhere in the school district for up to one year after the date the Criminal Record Check was completed.

KEATING JERSEYS

Reminder to please return all Keating Jerseys to the school.

THANK YOU!!

**SAVE YOUR MAGAZINE ORDERS
FOR OUR
AUTUMN FUNDRAISER**

Each October, Canadian Parents for French – Saanich Chapter organizes a magazine subscription fundraiser through QSP to benefit French resources and socio-cultural events in our school district. The success of this program depends on your participation. Please save your magazine subscription renewals for our drive. It is only when you renew directly through our program that CPF receives any profit from your order. If you would like to renew before the official campaign begins, you can support us any time by shopping on-line at www.qsp.ca and using our group number **16681**. Thank you for your continued support.

**JUNE
FRENCH IMMERSION
ASSEMBLY**

**FRENCH CERTIFICATE OF MERITE &
EXCELLENCE**

As part of the **May** French Immersion Assembly, the following students were awarded a Certificate of Merit to recognize their French speaking abilities:

Div. 2 / Mme Pike / Ms. Windle

Teo Dooley, Connor Murray, Rebekah Cunningham, Katharine Yeo, Gavin George, Reef Gladwin, Jayden Nichol

Div. 4 / Mme Nicolson / Mme Pinder

Liam Lightbody, Sive Johnson, Sam Zeisberger, Catrina Moyes, Kaylee McLennan

Div. 5 / Mme Heron / Ms. Windle

Kane Cracknell, Chloe Ellison, Patricia Lebbetter, Bailey Pepper, Autumn Rebneris, Jennaline Shaw, Madison Bains, Cailyn Campbell, Arianna Coll, Emma Demarchi, Macgregor Macintosh, Mateo Thompson, Matthew Watson, James Windels, Katherine Ball, Megan Moyes, Sapana Palmer

Div. 7 / Mme Gautrais

Christina Compton, Torin Lightbody, Nicole Bayer, Kaiko McCaig

Div. 9 / M. Fraser

Brooklyn Filipovic, Selena Sivananthan

Div. 10 / Mme Kinsella

Liam Ayres, Lauren Germain, Reese Wheeldon

Div. 11 / M. Stewart

Harry Roycroft, Parker Lyne

Div. 14 / Mme Lord

Jonah Philipchalk

Div. 15 / Mme Johnson

Cole Bunting, Makena Gatobu, Braden Spencer

Div. 18 / Mme Haugen

Catriona McAleer

Div. 19 / Mme Haugen

Nolan Bishop

Div. 20 / Mme Gartrell Yeo

John Pazder, Renee Strandlund



WE WILL MISS YOU!!!!!!
Saying Good-bye to Keating.....
As the school year comes to a close, we
need to say good-bye to some of our great
Keating staff.

Teaching staff;

- ◆ Mrs. Newton; retiring
- ◆ Mme Scott; teaching at Brentwood Elementary;
- ◆ Mme Kinsella; teaching at Deep Cove Elementary;
- ◆ M. Miguel; awaiting news of placement for next year;
- ◆ Ms. Pettigrew; awaiting news of placement for next year;
- ◆ M. Stewart; teacher-on-call list
- ◆ Mrs. Simonok; district teaching position (hearing specialist)

Educational Assistantts;

- ◆ Mrs. Gardner; moving with her family to Coquitlam;
- ◆ Miss Smith; awaiting news of placement for next year;
- ◆ M. Michaud; awaiting news of placement for next year;
- ◆ Mrs. Mangiola; placement at Cordova Bay Elementary

Lunch Hours Supervisors;

- ◆ Mrs. Campbell; awaiting news of placement for next year.

Leave of Absence;

- ◆ Mme Haugen; maternity leave

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

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COMMUNITY ART COUNCIL OF THE SAANICH PENINSULA

Craft Workshops; Ages 6 to 13

- July 5-8
- Aug. 9-12
- Aug. 30-Sept. 2

All workshops will run from 10 a.m. until Noon.

Nominal registration fee of \$5.00 will secure your child's spot. Drop in to the Tulista Park Community Arts Centre or call 250-656-7400

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED..... Would you like an opportunity to learn about another culture right in your own home? Discover what life is like in Japan without leaving Victoria! *Muskoka Language International* is looking for families interested in hosting students from Japan for a Homestay. What is a Homestay? Students ranging in age from 14 to 17 will be visiting Great Victoria and looking for a place to call home! If you have a spare bedroom with one or two beds and are interested in having the students stay for a short while (1 to 2 weeks) then this may be for you. There are two different opportunities coming up in July and August. Please contact either of the Coordinators listed for more detailed information. June Sharman Phone: 250-812-7409 email: jsharman@mliessl.com or Corrine Powell e-mail: cpowell@mliessl.com

VICTORIA HIGHLANDERS; Soccer Summer Camps & Fall Academy

www.victoriahighlandersfc.com

ORGANIC-FOOD-GROWING

WORKSHOPS for Children (7 years to 14 years) and their parents, children and their aunts/uncles/grandparents AND parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents without the children! There are two locations to choose from; The Roost Bakery & Farm Experience, (East Saanich/McTavish) in North Saanich and at Art Knapp's Garden Centre at Mattick's Farm) Victoria on Saturdays, June 5th and 19th. Times: The Roost; 9 a.m. To 12 noon; and Art Knapp's 1 p.m. To 4 p.m. Cost: \$20 per person per workshop – discounted prices available!

For more info, contact Dave Friend aka Mr. Organic at 250-655-9156; 250-704-6602

or davefriend@friendlyorganics.ca

FREE SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING LESSON Commonwealth Pool

Monday, June 7th – 5 p.m.

Swimmers should be comfortable in deep water. Phone: 250-479-9763 or email syncho@pacificsport.com

SIDNEY PIRANHAS

www.sidneypiranhas.com

ISLAND SUMMER SWIM CAMPS

www.islandswimming.com

UVIC SPORT CAMPS – Summer is just around the corner! This year, discover The Power of Play with the U-Vic Vikes. We offer an array of sport and activity camps in a friendly, inclusive environment, taught by high-caliber coaches and camp leaders. Vikes camps include Basketball, Hockey, Youth Leadership Development, Girl Power!, Mini Vikes (full and half day), Racquet Sports, Rugby, Soccer, Multi sport, Swimming, Tennis, Track & Field, Field Hockey, Speed and Agility, Run/Jump/Throw, Vikes Adventures, and

Volleyball. Participants are provided with t-shirts, a camp certificate and swimming is included in most full day camps. Full-day camps run from 9 a.m. Until 4 p.m., with before and after care also available. Registration starts April 1, 2010. Visit www.vikesrec.uvic.ca and click Summer Camps' on the tool bar to register!

READ SOCIETY: Over 30 years helping learners learn Website: www.readsociety.bc.ca
For details, call 250-388-7225

ELI PASQUALE BASKETBALL 2010

Summer Camps ages 5-16 www.elipasquale.com

SAANICHTON BIBLE FELLOWSHIP SUMMER CAMPS FOR KIDS

This summer we are offering something fun for everyone!

“Soccer Stars”; July 7-9th

“Green Day Camp”; July 16-20th

“Twinkle Toes”; August 9-11th

“Day Camp”; August 16-20th

“Princess Tea Party”; August 25th

“Extreme Water Day”; August 27th

Call: 250-652-6311 and ask for Holly Eng

Web: www.saanichtonbiblefellowship.org

FB: SBF Summer Camps for Kids

