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# Brighthouse School News

*“Where Everyone Counts”*

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## **Welcome to Kindergarten**



Brighthouse School is hosting a special “Welcome to Kindergarten” event from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>. New K’s and their parents will all attend. We’ll have lots of information for parents and activities for the kids to help everyone get excited about coming to school in September. All registered Kindergarten students are automatically invited to “Welcome to Kindergarten.” See you on the **25<sup>th</sup>**!

## **PARENT INFORMATION LETTERS FOR CLASS PLACEMENT**

In the Spring of each year schools begin their planning for the coming fall. As our school population varies quite a bit from June to September, it is not possible to finalize classes until the first week of school in September.

At this time of year, we begin to collect information about students from many sources to help us to determine the best placement for all the children at Brighthouse. This includes information about children’s strengths and needs, their social relationships, their interests, their learning styles and previous placements.

Students are placed into classes by the principal after consultation with teachers. Should parents wish to describe the learning situation they feel best suits their children or other factors which might influence placement, we ask that a letter be directed to the school office by **Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**.

Please note: You are not required to send us a letter, but we welcome any information about your child that will help us with class placement. Finding the ideal class placement for 400 students is a challenging task that consumes many hours on the part of the Brighthouse staff. Although we welcome any new information, we cannot accept requests for specific classes or teachers, nor can we guarantee that a child will be placed with specific friends.

## **Track Meet at Minoru**

Congratulations to all of the athletes from Brighthouse and Sea Island that participated in the recent Track Meet at Minoru. You did a great job in representing us and displayed an excellent effort in your events and showed positive school spirit and sportsmanship throughout the day! We want to thank all of the staff for their efforts in running stations during Track Attack and at the Track Meet. Special thanks to Ms. Soo, Mrs. Hawkins and Ms. Lee for the time they put in to organize the stations and the student events so everything was able to run smoothly. It was a very successful day ~ Well Done Blazers!





### **EARLY DISMISSAL: Tuesday, May 23rd**

Students will be **dismissed at 2:00 p.m.** on this date to allow the members of the RTA to attend their Annual General Meeting (AGM). Please make all the necessary arrangements for early pick up

### **JEANS DAY**



Thank you to all the students, staff and families who purchased Jeans Day buttons and lapel pins to support B.C. Children's Hospital. Brighthouse School raised \$690.25 for this worthy cause. #JeanUp

### **PEN NUMBERS**

Interested in registering your child for summer school? Please refer to the top left corner of your child's report card for his/her PEN (Personal Education Number). Brochures are available at the school office. For questions, please call the Continuing Education Department at **604-668-6123**.

### **SHRED-A-THON**

A big "Thank-You" to many for their assistance in making our first Shred-A-Thon a huge success. Ms. Anderson, our music teacher, and the Honour Band for their wonderful performance; the PAC for providing food and drinks for the community; and our amazing sponsors - Vancity Credit Union and Urban Impact. We raised just over \$700. These funds will be put to use in our school.



### **Brighthouse Bottle Drive**

We are excited to announce our Brighthouse Bottle Drive is underway and we are getting closer to our goal of \$3500 in order to have a new mural painted in our gymnasium! You can bring your empty bottles and juice boxes to either of the following locations where accounts have been set up:

- Blundell Return It Centre - 8180 No. 2 Rd #130
- OK Bottle Depot - 7960 River Rd. (Please request that the funds be added to our Brighthouse account).
- 6731 Azure Road (Mrs. De Grano's house) at any time of the week

You can also drop off your recyclables to Brighthouse School Saturdays at 1:30 pm. Thank you for your support and participation in this community building project!



### **ME TO WE**

Well Done ME TO WE! The ME TO WE group has fundraised \$2500 this year which will be going to support health care in Kenya. "The funds you have raised mean more than you can imagine to the lives of children in need. I hope that this fundraising success has shown you that young people have the power to do great things in the world and I encourage you to keep up that momentum in your future fundraising projects!" The Me to We Club would again like to thank everyone who supported our fundraising initiatives.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Monday, May 22** ..... Victoria Day- **No School Today**
- Tuesday, May 23** ..... Richmond Teachers' AGM. **Dismissal is at 2:00 p.m.**
- Thursday, May 25** ..... Welcome to Kindergarten 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 1** ..... Community Potluck (5:30pm in the gym).
- Wednesday, June 2** ..... Music and Muffins for Parents (8:15a.m.)
- Friday, June 9** ..... Brighthouse Sports Day (8:45 to 1:38)
- Wednesday, June 28** ..... Grade 7 Luncheon/Dance
- Thursday, June 29** ..... Farewell Assembly (details soon)
- Final Day of classes (**11:38 dismissal**)
- Term Three Reports Issued
- Friday, June 30** ..... Administration Day (**No School**)
- Tuesday, Sept 5** ..... **First Day of School (8:45-9:45)** \*ONE hour only\*

