



May 19th, 2023

Hello Brighthouse Families,

Happy start to the Long Weekend to everyone!

Attached to this week's newsletter is a flyer from the Parent Advisory Committee. As we have talked about all year, there is a need for new parents to become a part of the leadership group in support of our School Community events and activities. Please take a look at the flyer and consider how you might be able to support enriching the school experience for all our students. Please join us in congratulating and thanking Hershey Redon for stepping into the role of PAC Treasurer for next year. We will have an opportunity to thank outgoing PAC Chair, Hailey Atkinson, and Treasurer, Chris Hawkey later in June; they have committed a significant number of years of service and we are full of gratitude for their leadership in and support of the entire Brighthouse Community!

The Traffic Circle experiment has been underway for three weeks now and we would like to hear from families as to how you are experiencing things. Please stop and chat with the staff on duty in the mornings or afternoons or reply to brighthouse@sd38.bc.ca to let us know what you think is working well and any suggestions you have about improvements that could be made. Thank you again to all the families that have helped keep things safe and efficient for drop-offs and pick-ups. One piece of feedback to share would be a request for families that expect to take a minute or two to unload their child(ren) and their belongings. If you could move around the traffic circle until you are at or near the orange cones at the far end, it would provide more space and require fewer cars to pull around you and back into the drop-off lane. Please continue to follow the directions of the school staff and students who are there to help.

Lastly, we have some news to share regarding the Administrative Team for Brighthouse next year. Ms. Kathy Pantaleo will be joining the school as Principal for September. Ms. Pantaleo brings a wealth of experience as an Educator and School Administrator; Brighthouse is very fortunate to have her joining the staff. Mr. Ferguson will be very sad to have to say good-bye at the end of June, but new adventures are waiting at his next school, Errington Elementary. Ms. Pantaleo will be visiting the school in the next few weeks to meet staff and students and will make plans to join the June 13th PAC Meeting to meet parents.

Remember to be SUN SMART this weekend!

Be safe, be active and get outside,

Mr. A. Ferguson
Principal

Ms. L. Scharf
Vice-Principal

Please note the following important information and upcoming dates:

May 22nd to 26th

- 1. Monday, May 22nd : VICTORIA DAY, School Closed**
- 2. Tuesday, May 23rd : Gardening Day and Young Actors Project**
- 3. Wednesday, May 24th : Kindergarten and Gr 6 Immunizations**

4. Thursday, May 25th : Young Actors Project

5. Friday, May 26th : BOOSTER JUICE @ Lunch (*orders due Friday, May 19th*)

May 29th to June 2nd

Monday:	<i>School Panorama Photo</i>
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	<i>Final Payment and Forms for Grade 6/7 Outdoor Education Due</i>
Thursday:	
Friday:	<i>BLAZER SPORTS FUN DAY</i>