

December 1, 2011

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Principal's Message

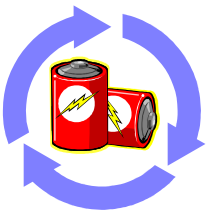
So many exciting events and activities have happened here at False Creek and here we are getting ready for Christmas! We have a lot of pride in all the progress students have made throughout the first term and look forward to the coming months with great expectations. May all of you enjoy a healthy and happy Christmas break with your loved ones.

Vancouver Food Bank

We will be collecting dried or canned food items from December 1st to 16th. There are donation boxes around the school. Thank you to Ms. Berney for co-ordinating!



VSBC Battery Recycling Program



The VSBC is rolling out a district-wide battery recycling program, serviced by Vancouver Battery. They have provided schools with two brown containers, located in the front hallway, to collect any used batteries. One container is for rechargeable batteries (NiCad, NiMH, cell phone, digital camera, camcorders, cordless phone etc.) and the other for non-rechargeable (alkaline, button cell, watch, hearing aid, calculators, car remotes, etc.). Please drop off any used batteries to the correct containers.

In addition to providing the recycling service, Vancouver Battery is offering discounts to people connected to this recycling program.

- Anyone such as school staff, students and parents can purchase batteries through Vancouver Battery at a 15% discount off of the retail price.
- Any school wishing to buy batteries will receive a corporate discount rate that is larger than the discount above. The corporate discount rate varies depending on the type of battery, so it is best to contact Vancouver Battery at 604-737-8463 directly to receive a quote.

Registration Information

We continue to accept new registrations for "in-catchment" students, Kindergarten (born in 2007) to Grade 7. To register at False Creek Elementary, students must be born in Canada and speak English as their home language. Please come to the office for an application or fill out the Student Application Form found on the VSBC website. The following supporting documents are required:

1. Proof of address
 - current property tax statement
 - rental or lease agreement
 - current bank or credit card statement
2. Child's original birth certificate – preferably the long one showing both parents names
3. Child's immunization records or any other important medical documents
4. School report cards – most recent (for grades 1-7)
5. Any other relevant documents involving guardianship, court orders, etc.

We are happy to make copies of any documents at the school. The office is open for registration from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. The registration period is from November 1, 2011-January 31, 2012.

Students who are not born in Canada or do not speak English as their home language must register at the District Reception and Placement Centre (DRPC). It is located at Moberly Elementary (east wing), 1000 East 59th Avenue. Registration at DRPC is from Monday – Friday, 8:30-11:00 am. The phone number to contact is 604-713-5999.

WINTER VACATION
Monday, December 19 – Monday, January 2
School re-opens Tuesday, January 3, 2012



Lost & Found

The Lost and Found Cart is growing. Is your child's closet shrinking? Tables displaying st and Found items will be set up during the week of December 5th. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity the following week.



PAC Art Gala

Come to our first school-wide art exhibition and silent auction of student paintings in the gym on Thursday, December 8th from 6-8 pm. Members of our school band will also be playing! Looking forward to seeing all of you.

Grade 7 Students Applying to Mini-Schools

A Cognitive and Writing Test is required by any grade 7 student wishing to apply to a mini-school program at the secondary school level. Testing date is December 12th. For more information and registration, go to www.vsb.bc.ca/programs/mini-school-registration. Registration deadline is Sunday, December 4th.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
False Creek Elementary December 2011				1 Scholastic Book Fair →	2	3
				Div. 1 Van Playhouse 9:30am-2:30 pm →		
				Hot Lunch – Subway		
				Food Bank Donations →		
4 Mini School testing and registration deadline (for grade 7 students only)	5 Check Lost & Found tables for your child's misplaced items Food Bank Donations	6 Vision Screening – K's, 1:15 pm 	7 Children's Comedy Performance Gr. K-7, Gym 9:30-10:20 am 	8 PAC Art Gala, 6-8 pm 	9 Recognition Assembly, 9:15 am Buddy Reading, 10:45 am	10
11	12 9 am, Christmas Sing-a-long practice 1 pm, John Kaplan Christmas Magic Show, all grades. Food Bank Donations	13 Gymnastics Demo, Sergei & Students 3:30-4:30 pm 	14 Div. 8 & 9 - Senior's Lodge, 11am-12pm 	15 Holiday Concert, 9:15 am, Gym 	16 Last day before winter vacation	17
18	19 Winter Vacation 	20 	21 	22 	23 → 	24
25 Merry Christmas 	26 Winter Vacation 	27 	28 	29 	30 → 	31

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