

**Rosser Elementary School**  
4375 Pandora Street, Burnaby , BC, V5C-2B6  
Vice Principal: Christy Redmond  
Phone: 604-296-9027



## SEPTEMBER 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians,



*"Hello" is a new beginning, a path to discovery.*  
~ Jean Houston

September is here again, and with it comes the excitement of beginning a new school year, and the possibilities of what lies ahead.

We are so happy to welcome many new students and families to Rosser and know that they will be embraced and welcomed to our community, because our school is such a caring and inclusive place for learning and relationships to flourish.

We also have many new staff members joining us as well and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome them. They are joining us with a wealth of different experiences and strengths and our students will benefit greatly from the knowledge and ideas they bring to Rosser.

As students begin building connections with their teachers and classmates this week, I wish everyone in the Rosser community a terrific new school year and invite families to be involved in your children's learning. Whether you volunteer in classes or around the school, attend PAC meetings, or continue to support your children at home with their questions, homework, wonderings or concerns, we welcome and value any and all involvement. I too, am available and welcome conversations with our families, so please come by the office and say "hello."

Christy Redmond  
Vice Principal

# SCHOOL NEWS

## Introducing your Rosser School Staff for 2017/2018

Principal	Mr. Taylor
Vice Principal:	Mrs. Redmond
Division 1 - Grade 6/7	Ms. Sansom
Division 2 - Grade 4/5	Mr. Bach
Division 3 - Grade 3/4	Mrs. Schwarz
Division 4 - Grade 1/2	Ms. Chin
Division 5 - Grade 1/2	Mrs. Temple
Division 6 - Kindergarten	Ms. Guzzo

Resource Teacher:	Mrs. Koebel
ESL Teacher	Mrs. Cobo
Teacher Librarian	Mrs. Stocker
Music Teacher	Mr. Weingartner
Counselor Hearing Speech & Language Psychologist Aboriginal Resource	Ms. Marrello Mrs. Turner Ms. Jeronimo Ms. Merx Ms. Price
School Admin Secretary:	Mrs. Anania
Educational Assistants:	Mrs. Arnold, Ms. Figueroa, Ms. Macpherson, Ms. Norris,
Custodial: New Hours Supervisor Crossing Guard	Mr. Warhurst Mrs. Diruggiero Mrs. Rae

### School Website

Our school website is filled with useful information. If you are looking for school staff contact information, notices, hot lunch forms, school cash on-line payment information, please visit our school website at: <http://rosser.sd41.bc.ca/>

### REPORTING ABSENCES

Regular attendance and prompt arrival at school is important if your child is to gain full benefit from the school program. **If your child is going to be away for any reason, please call the school office at (604) 296-9027 Ext. 2 before 9:00am to confirm his/her absence.** Leave a message on the answering machine with the following information:

- 1) Child's first and last name.
- 2) Teacher and Division
- 3) Absent or late (please leave reason)



If we do not hear from you, we will call home to ensure your child's safety.

### STUDENTS LEAVING THE SCHOOL

Students are not permitted to leave the school during school hours without consent from a parent or guardian. Students who normally eat lunch at school must bring written permission before they are allowed to leave the grounds during the lunch hour. If a student needs to go home due to sudden illness, we will contact a parent/guardian or an emergency contact.

**STUDENTS ARE DISMISSED AT 3:02PM  
IT IS IMPORTANT THAT STUDENTS ARE  
PICKED UP FROM SCHOOL ON TIME!**

# SCHOOL NEWS

## Rosser School is aiming to achieve a high implementation for School Cash Online.

We want 100% of our parents to have the option to pay fees online.

Please go to: <https://burnaby.schoolcashionline.com> to register.

Be sure to check the box that asks if you want to receive the email notifications. You will then receive the notifications each time a fee is available to pay for your child(ren).

## STUDENT PHOTOS



Mountain West Studios will be at Rosser School on Thursday September 21<sup>st</sup> for student photos. If for any reason your child will be away that day, a future re-take day will be announced.

## PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES & EARLY DISMISSAL

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on **Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>** (forms will be sent home shortly). Early dismissals will be at 1:45pm on both days. Please inform your childcare.

## FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM

We are pleased to announce that the **BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program** is back again for this school year. Over the school year, the students will enjoy pears, apples, carrots, oranges, tomatoes, grapes and cucumbers. Our Primary Students will receive 2% Dairyland Milk. **If your child has allergies or sensitivities to any fruits, vegetables or milk, please inform your classroom teacher.**



Thank you to our parent volunteer, Mrs. Li for organizing this program for the benefit of our students.

## STUDENT SAFETY



Keeping our students safe is of the utmost importance. At the beginning of the school year, when routines are being established, new students are beginning to learn about Rosser, and all staff and students are building connections, it is a good time to think about how we can all best support our children.

**Please do not drop off or pick up your children in the parking lot.** The small door to the staff parking lot can get congested and should be left clear for our staff, and as an emergency exit.

Drop off and pick up locations are **outside the school** in the playground, or by the main entrance on Triumph Street. Thank you for your support and care.

## PEANUT SAFETY

We have a number of children in our school who have serious life-threatening peanut/nut allergies. This means that any contact with peanuts/nuts or nut products in the classroom, even trace amounts may endanger the child's life.



We are requesting the assistance of all our families in keeping our school a peanut and nut aware environment. **Please do not send snacks and lunch items that contain nuts or nut oils.**

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

# SCHOOL DATES

## REVISED - ROSSER SCHOOL DATES 2017/2018

### School Hours and Bell Schedule

Welcoming Bell - students should enter school quietly	8:50 am
Attendance is taken and classes begin	8:55 am
Recess begins	10:30 am
Recess ends	10:45 am
Lunch begins - students eat their lunch in their classrooms	12:00 pm
Students may go outside to play	12:15 pm
Welcoming Bell - end of lunch	12:55 pm
Afternoon classes begin	1:00 pm
Dismissal - students should leave the building unless they are attending a specific school activity	3:02 pm

**Office hours: 8:45am - 3:15pm - Monday to Friday**

**Please remember to call the school (604) 296-9027 Ext. 2 when your child is absent due to illness, appointments, or if your child will be late.**

### Important Dates to Remember

#### 2017

Sept. 18	First full day of school for Kindergarten students
Sept. 20	<b>Early Dismissal 1:45pm</b> (Intake Meetings)
Sept. 21	<b>Early Dismissal 1:45pm</b> (Intake Meetings)
Sept. 22	Professional Development Day - School Closed
Oct. 9	Thanksgiving Day
Oct. 20	Professional Development Day - School Closed
Oct. 23	Professional Development Day - School Closed
Nov. 10	School Closure Day
Nov. 13	Remembrance Day
Nov. 24	Professional Development Day - School Closed
Dec. 23-Jan 7	Winter Break (School Closed)
Jan. 8	School Reopens
Feb. 12	Family Day (School Closed)
Feb. 16	Professional Development Day - School Closed
March 17-April 2	Spring Break (School Closed)
April 3	School Reopens
April 23	Professional Development Day - School Closed
May 4	<b>Early Dismissal 2pm</b> - Student Led Conferences
May 21	Victoria Day (School Closed)
June 7	<b>Early Dismissal 2:10pm</b> - Teacher Collaboration Time
June 8	Professional Development Day - School Closed
June 28	Last Day of School & Report Cards Home - <b>10am Dismissal</b>
June 29	Last Day of School for Teachers (Administrative Day)

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN ONLINE

**BALLOHOLICS** open their 12th season delivering quality programs to Burnaby youth. **VICTORY SPORTS CAMPS** is a NPO providing youth basketball classes year round in a fun environment teaching fundamentals and movement training for all ages and skill levels.

New programs to look out for include **JrABA** and Select Fall teams U14 boys / girls, Jr.Varsity / Varsity and U11 boys.

### LOCATIONS:

Parkcrest, Kitchener, Burnaby Central Secondary,  
Byrne Creek Secondary, Twelfth Ave.  
Edmonds Community School, JIBC

### GRADES:

5-7 years jrABA  
Gr 2-5 Balloholic JumpStart  
Gr 6-7 Balloholic Fundamentals  
Gr 8-9 Balloholic Development Program



**BALLOHOLICS FALL SESSION STARTS  
SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2017**

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# BALLOHOLICS

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FRIENDSHIP TEAMWORK

## Boys and Girls 6 - 17 Years of Age

Register Now For Water Polo

Beginner to Advanced Programs  
September to April  
Saturday Afternoon Practices  
Sunday Games



No water polo experience is necessary, but players should be comfortable deep water swimmers. We recommend that your child is able to swim one length of the pool unassisted. If you are unsure, a coach will assess your child.

## Come and See What Water Polo Is All About

Try the Game. Meet The Players and The Coaches!

## Check out our Free introductory water polo clinics

### SATURDAY

September 16, 23, 30 or October 7, 14  
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Bonsor Recreation Complex  
6550 Bonsor Avenue, Burnaby, B.C.

Call to reserve your spot today.  
Space is limited.

### FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:

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