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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As I write the last newsletter of the school year, I cannot believe that the months have gone so quickly. So much has happened in the past few months to make Richard Bulpitt ready for students this September. Construction is virtually finished and many small details are now underway. Details such as sinks in rooms, bulletin boards, landscaping, parking lots, running water, lights in hallways, locks on cupboards, carpets in offices, treads on stairways and lots of other details are almost completed.

But building a new school is not just about the physical building, the relationships of the community are also growing. We have a hardworking and wonderful Parent Advisory Council in place. They have managed in a short period of time to establish an executive with a President, Vice President and other members.

There is a fabulous preschool/daycare/before & after school care in our neighborhood learning center rooms. Country Bumkins continues to accept registrations for September of 2013. Please check out their program information on our website.

Our teaching staff is almost complete. Educators from all over the school district applied to come and teach at RBES. Our support staff is almost complete with interviews continuing as the year winds down. We have an administrative assistant starting with our school in August. Ms. Davies has already begun to assist with many of the office details that need to be completed.

The school district is assigning a counselor, a speech and language pathologist, an English Language Learner teacher, an aboriginal support worker, a youth and child-care worker. Soon we will know who are our custodians, noon hour supervisors and bus drivers.

It has been a privilege to assist with this process for the last few months. I am very much looking forward to September (which to me has always been the beginning of the new year.) Have a wonderful summer and we will see you in September!



Welcome Richard Bulpitt Staff!

Ms. Natasha Arishenkoff
Mrs. Jessica Barr
Mrs. Karm Connolly
Mrs. Deborah Cowland
Primary Teacher
Primary Teacher
Intermediate Teacher
Teacher Librarian

Ms. Cheryl Davies
Mrs. Amanda Desjardins
Ms. Dorothy Friesen
Ms. Lynn Gard
Mr. Mark Greenshields

Administrative Assistant
LA/Resource Teacher
Primary Teacher
Primary Teacher
Counsellor

Mrs. Staci Jennejohn
Reading Recovery Teacher
Mr. Barry Kroeker
Intermediate Teacher
Intermediate Teacher
Intermediate Teacher
Library Technician
Primary Teacher

Mrs. Lisa McLaren Special Education Assistant

Mrs. Karin Muuren Primary Teacher Ms. Caitlin Mcleod Primary Teacher

Ms. Gabrielle Paquette Special Education Assistant

Mrs. Shelley Rolston Primary Teacher Mrs. Shannon Smith Primary Teacher Ms. Wendy Sofiak Primary Teacher

We are anticipating more staff to join us in August.



Welcome Richard Bulpitt Parent Advisory Council Executive:

President: Mrs. Kristi Abbott
Vice-President: Mrs. Tina Costopoulus
Secretary: Mrs. Carrie Davies
Treasurer: Mrs. Denise Dubie
DPAC: Mr. Jim Cudlipp

SPC: Mrs. Jen Reid, Mr. Sung Cho, Mr. Ashish Kapoor

Green Team: Mrs. Jenny Friesen,

Health & Wellness/

Walk to school Program: Mrs. Rachel Suttill

Cupcake Mom/

Seasonal Decorations: Mrs. Brenda Archer

Hot Lunch Coordinator: TBA Fundraising: TBA

Public relations/

advertising/Facebook page: Mrs. Denise Dubie, Mr. Ashish Kapoor

Phone Parents: TBA

Fruit & Vegetable Person: Mrs. Amanda Posniak Library Books: Mrs. Karen Ryan



Community Bar B Q, Grade 7 Leadership Meeting & Country Bumkins Open House

Please mark August 29th in your calendar. An invitation will be sent out to our grade 5 students to come to RBES at 10:00 am for a leadership activity. That afternoon, Country Bumkins will be hosting their "Open House" and at 5:00pm we are inviting families for our community bar b q at Richard Bulpitt Elementary school.





This is the inside of the Richard Bulpitt gym. The flooring needs to be installed but the ceiling is complete. Looks like it will be high enough for Volleyball games!

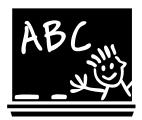


Summer Learning in Langley

Just a quick reminder that this summer the Langley School District is offering a wide variety of options available for students across the district from grade 1 to 12. The programs for students grades 1-7 run every day for three weeks from 9:00am - 12:00 pm, July 8-26 and are FREE for BC residents.

It is not too late to join the 1500 other elementary students in Langley who are taking advantage of this opportunity to get extra learning support in math, reading, writing, ELL and French Immersion as well as exploring interests in fine arts, science & technology, creative writing and environmental science.

Registration is still open and continues until July 5th, but spots are filling up fast. For more information visit our district Summer Session website at *sd35summersession.ca*, phone 604-534-7891, or drop by the School Board Office.



What Will the First Day of School Look Like?

Richard Bulpitt Elementary School will open the door for the first day to students on Tuesday September 3rd, 2013 at 8:35am. When the Welcome bell rings on our first day of school, we will have our students line up outside by the grade signs that will be posted. Our teachers will come and bring the students inside to their grade classrooms. Once students are inside, parents are invited to come into the gym for an assembly.

During the assembly, the children will also join us. Some of the routines and schedules will be shared at this time. Afterwards children will return to their classrooms with their teachers and parents will be invited to come to the Multi-purpose room for coffee and snacks provided by our Parent Advisory Council. Kindergarten parents will be asked to sign up for an interview time at the kindergarten rooms.

Children will be dismissed at 10:10am on the first day. Wednesday September 4th will be a regular day from 8:35- 2:30pm. Parents are reminded to send students to school with their lunch and a pen/pencil. Please do not send all of the children's school supplies until regular classes have been established later that week.



Richard Bulpitt: Bell times for the 2013-2014 School Year

Bell Schedule:

8:25	Supervision Starts Outside
8:35 -8:40	Welcome bell
8:40-10:10	School in session
10:10-10:25	Recess
10:25-11:49	School in session
11:49-12:10	Play-time (gr.1-5) (Reverse lunch time)
12:10-12:30	Eating time (gr. 1-5) (Reverse lunch time)
12:30-2:30	School in session
2:45	Supervision Ends Outside

Kindergarten times: will switch later in year to regular schedule

Recess: 10:10-10:25

Lunch Eating time: 11:30-12:00 Eating time (11:30-11:49 Teacher directed)

Lunch Play time: 12:00-12:20 Playground (Supervised)

After lunch time 12:20-12:35 quiet time



Country Bumkins Continues With Registration.

There are spaces left in all three programs. Please contact our new daycare/before/after school/preschool provider **Country Bumkins**. The owner/operator is Tracy Marno, she also has the onsite facilities at R.C.Garnett and North Otter Elementary schools. **She will be able to provide the registration process**. She would prefer an email, because then the information is in written form, but she will take phone-calls as well. **Please contact her for registration**.

Her email is: countrybumkins@shaw.ca

Phone number is: **604-856-0979**

Website is: www.countrybumkins.net



Welcome to Kindergarten!

Kindergarten students do not attend school on Tuesday September 3, 2013. We invite Kindergarten parents to come to the kindergarten rooms and sign up for an interview time after the parent assembly in the gym.

All students who have registered for Kindergarten will be receiving a letter in the mail this summer outlining the group they will be in for the gradual entry into kindergarten this Fall. Please note that the first full day of kindergarten for all K students is Monday September 16th. This is different than previously noted because of changes from the Ministry of Education. Our enrollment numbers are constantly changing, therefore we will be placing children in their classes during the first few days of school in September.



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Supply lists for grades 1-5 have been posted to the Richard Bulpitt website. Parents of kindergarten students will be asked to participate in the bulk group purchase of supplies. More info to follow in your kindergarten letter. Parents of all other grades, are asked to purchase their own supplies.



Calendar & Bell Update:

Our district calendar as well as our individual school calendar and bell schedule has been approved. They have been posted to our website.



Bus Registration

Also on our website, parents will find the bus registration forms and information if they wish to access school district transportation. Transportation has worked with our bell times in order to make sure children arrive on time at RBS.

The bus stops will be: 6916 - 208 St 66 Ave & 205 St 206 St & 68 Ave 68 Ave & 204 St

The route is Willoughby and RBE combined. In the morning the bus will pick up all the students, drop at RBE and then drop at Willoughby. In the PM the bus will pick up at RBE first, then Willoughby and then take the students home. For more information please contact Patti Johnson at transportation. (604-534 -7891 local 330)