



Connaught Heights Elementary

Weekly Newsletter – September 5, 2025

Important Dates

Sept. 18	Individual Photo Day
Sept. 19	Terry Fox Run
Sept. 26	Orange Shirt Day
Sept. 29	Pro-D Day (school closed for students)
Sept. 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (school closed)

Reminders

Attendance

If your child will be absent or late, please let the office know. You can report an absence the following ways:

[Use the Report an Absence form](#)

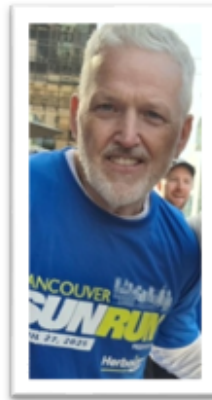
Phone: 604-517-6010 (voicemail available 24/7)

Email: connaughtheights@sd40.bc.ca

Please remember that the morning bell rings at 8:50 am and your child's attendance is taken at that time. If your child is late for school, they must check in with the office before they go to class.



Principal's Message:



Hello Connaught families,

I am excited to join the Connaught Heights school family as Principal for the 2025 – 2026 school year. It has been enjoyable to connect with students, staff

and families as I quickly become familiar with the school community. I am looking forward to meeting with families over the next few weeks and at upcoming school events and activities. Please do not hesitate to reach out to connect at any time.

*With gratitude,
Mr. Elves*



PAC News

Please join us!

The first PAC meeting of the school year
Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 6:30pm
in person at the school in the library.

This is your opportunity to meet your PAC executive and also share your thoughts on what we fund this year, so please come and join the discussion. **Childminding and pizza will be provided!**

Here is a PAC [calendar](#) for the school year. Please watch this newsletter and follow us on Instagram and join the WhatsApp Group for updates. *(For those parents that picked up a copy at the Welcome Back Coffee on Tuesday morning, there was an error with the Pumpkin Patch date. Please use the revised version in the link above or by picking up a copy at the office.)*

We shared an [information sheet](#) with new kindergarten parents this week. If you're new to the school or even are not new to the school we encourage you to have a read and learn about what the PAC is, what we do, how we raise funds and how you can get involved and stay connected.

There are printed copies of both documents at the school office.

Did you know that the PAC has an account at **Return-It**? We raised over \$900 last year! Drop off your pop cans and other beverage containers in the white bin in the courtyard at the school (just inside the gate when entering from London Street) and the deposits collected will go straight to the PAC and in turn back to the students in the form of cultural events, sports activities, field trip and classroom supplies allowances and much more!

Follow us on Instagram: @connaughtheightspac
Join the PAC WhatsApp Group:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KZOM9Ys9TLoHGL54AcZsWK>
Email us anytime at chpacchair@gmail.com or
chpacvchair@gmail.com

Community News

New Westminster Parks and Recreation will be offering free admission to drop-in programs for Grade 5 and 6 students residing in New Westminster. The Grade 5 and 6 ActivePass ([see brochure here](#)) provides an easy, free way for children to try activities at City community centres, arenas and pools. **This is a great opportunity for all of our Grade 5 students!** To download the application form, [click here](#).

Community School Programs at Connaught

Jewelry Making (Grades 3 - 5)

Learn how to design and craft your own unique necklaces, bracelets, and earrings using colorful beads, charms, and imaginative techniques!

Connaught Heights - Library

Fridays, 3:00 – 4:30 pm

Date: Oct 3 – Nov 14 *No class Oct 24*

Registration Fee: \$67.50

To register, please visit the City of New Westminster Parks and Recreation registration page (link below):

[Jewelry Making - Connaught Heights](#)

Soccer Shots (Grades 1 - 3)

Soccer Shots afterschool programs focus on supporting growth in individual skill, fitness and sportsmanship.

Connaught Heights - Gym

Wednesdays, 3:00 – 4:30 pm

Date: Oct 1 – Nov 12 *No class Oct 22*

Registration Fee: \$75.60

To register, please visit the Soccer Shots registration page (link below):

[Soccer Shots - Registration](#)