



Connaught Heights Elementary



Newsletter – September 18, 2026

Important Dates

Sept. 23	Connaught Heights Open House 3:10pm PAC Meeting 5:00pm
Sept. 25	Pro-D Day (School closed for students)
Sept. 29	Orange Shirt Day
Sept. 30	National Day of Truth and Reconciliation (School closed)

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 8:50am 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:

Dear Connaught families,

Welcome back to another school year at Connaught Heights. It has been an exciting and busy start up over the past few weeks as students have settled into their new grades and classes, we have welcomed our new Kindergarten students and families, and today, the whole school from Kindergarten to Grade 6 participated in the Annual Terry Fox Run to support the Marathon of Hope.

We are looking forward to seeing many families next Wednesday after school during the Meet 'n' Greet.

With gratitude, Mr. Elves



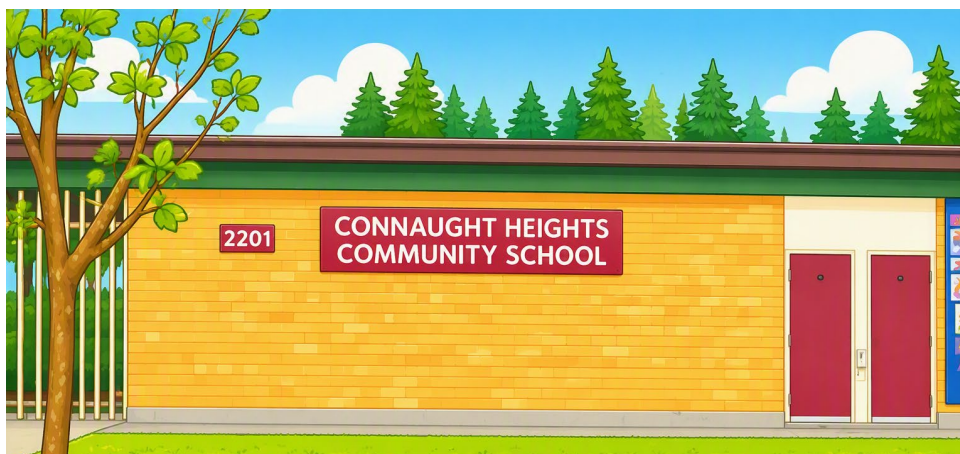
Open House



Open House - Wednesday, September 23rd at 3:10pm

The teachers are kindly opening their classrooms for one hour after school to welcome parents and caregivers for an informal open house format to see their child's learning space and to connect with teachers. Please note that families will have the opportunity for one-on-one time with the teachers during the three-way conferences next month.

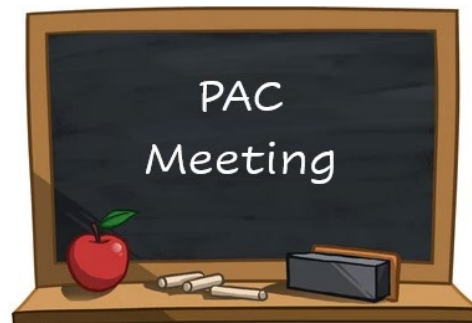
Our wonderful PAC will also have a self-guided school tour and scavenger hunt for families to enjoy! Take a walk around the school together, explore different areas, and see what you can discover along the way. Light snacks and drinks will also be provided by the PAC in the courtyard.



Join Us!

First PAC Meeting of the School Year - 5:00 PM

Wednesday, September 23rd



Join us in the school library for our first PAC meeting of the school year!

Come meet your PAC executive, hear what we're planning for the year, and, most importantly, share your ideas about what you'd like the PAC to fund and support this year. We'd love to have you join the conversation!

Childminding for school-aged children and pizza will be provided!

Save the Date: Halloween Costume Swap!

Friday, October 2nd - After School

Have a Halloween costume your child has outgrown? Bring it in and swap it for something new-to-you!

Please bring costumes that are **clean and in good condition, with no tears or damage.**

More details coming soon. Start checking those costume closets!

Fun Lunch: White Spot

Friday, October 9th

School Cash Online is now open for our first Fun Lunch! The deadline to order is September 27th.

We'll also be looking for volunteers to help with the lunch.

Interested in volunteering? Please join our WhatsApp Volunteer Community!

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/BsL3kTN3NRlFjqT7RfdmiQ>

Follow us on Instagram: @connaughtheightspac

Join the PAC WhatsApp Group: https://chat.whatsapp.com/JWMYbCtoYoqKFwDE0jXxZP?mode=gi_t

Email us anytime at chpacchair@gmail.com

After-School Programs at Connaught Heights

Animaton Now

Grades 2 – 5

Time: 3:00-4:30pm (Tuesdays)

Dates: Oct 20 - Nov 24

Location: Library

ROOTS Soccer

Grades 1 – 4

Time: 3:00-4:00pm (Mondays)

Dates: Oct 5 - Nov 16 **no class Oct 12**

Location: Gym

Click [here to see the flyer](#) for more information and to register.

District News

Kindergarten Information Evening for Parents/Guardians of children born in 2022

Monday, October 19, 2026 from 5:30-8:00pm

Location: New Westminster Secondary School

- 5:30-7:00 - Booth's open and hosted by kindergarten teachers and community partners
- 7:00-8:00 - Main presentation

Information on Kindergarten English, French Immersion, and the Montessori program.

Registration required. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Kindergarten to Grade 3 Learning Information for Families

A back-to-school package is available to help families of kindergarten to Grade 3 students understand their children's learning at school.

The package includes information about early literacy screening and highlights learning in English Language Arts, Français langue second and Mathematics. It also provides information about the curriculum and examples of proficient learning.

Please click on the link below, for a letter from the Minister of Education and Child Care.

[2026-27 Letter to parents and caregivers of kindergarten to Grade 3 students](#)

Community News



Fraser Health

Supporting a Healthy Back to School

Fraser Health is pleased to continue supporting the health and well-being of students, families and staff throughout the 2026-27 school year.

Please [click here](#) for information outlining available Fraser Health services and supports.



Event for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Click [here](#) for information on an upcoming event led and organized by the Spirit of the Children Society.