# PEBBLE HILL TRADITIONAL ELEMENTARY

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DATES TO REMEMBER	
Thursday January 26	Casual Day
Wednesday February 1	Ready, Set, Learn
Friday February 3rd	Pebble Hill Tradtional K applications due
Tuesday February 7,14,28 & Wednesday Feb 22	Grade 6 & 7's SKiing/Snowboarding fieldtrips
Friday February 10	PHT Skating various times thorough out the day
Wednesday February 15 & 16	Student Led Conferences - CANCELLED due to job action
Monday February 20th	Kn Registration
Thursday February 23	Equinox Theatre Grade 1-7 altered lunch and recess times
Friday February 24	Casual Day



## The students are playing safely with snow

I am a great fan of winter and snow. It has been fun watching our primary students, as many are very excited to find their playground sprinkled with snow. They are building forts and some like to be the first down the slide coming away with frosted pants. A few of our classes have taken advantage of our proximity to Dieffenbacher Park and gone sledding for PE. Our young students are learn to put on their gloves and zip up their coats by themselves. I continue to be impressed with the kind way in which the students play together.







# STUDENT WORK:

#### WHAT IS ORANGE?

Orange is like a bumpy orange fresh from the store and pumpkins just picked from the farm

It's a sunset on the beach and warm pumpkin pie just from the oven

It's exciting just like when I score a goal in soccer

Orange is a tiger roaring when it's just caught its dinner

Orange is a tiger lily just picked from the garden

It's a pencil in my desk and the brightest color in the crayon box

Orange is a carrot on snowman

It's when October comes and the leaves fall from the trees

Orange is when you stayed on the beach too long.

By Monica Muszynski

## WHAT IS GREEN?

Green is the smell of fresh picked peppermint

Green is gooey moss growing on a log

Lime lemonade on a hot summer day tastes like green

Green is the laughter on the beach with my family

A clean cut soccer field is green

Green is like a silky robe you are wearing out to the hot tub

Green can be biking though a thick, foggy forest

And dark green is the father to light green

By:

Lucas A. Keady

NUMBERS
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**SNOW DEPTH HIGH** 

176

**SNOW DEPTH LOW** 

130 CM

**PISTES OPEN** 

**35** 

**LIFTS OPEN** 

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The winner of the second newsletter contest is **Michael Hill**. Please come to the office for your prize.



Do you have a 3-year old child? Our Kindergarten teachers are welcoming families of preschoolers. This is part of an initiative sponsored by the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Children and Family Development. Come and make connections with your school and meet some of the teachers, students and parents. All parents and their preschoolers are welcome to attend on Wednesday, February 1st @ 9:30 - 10:15 am.



## HAVE YOU LOST CLOTHING?

A number of students are looking for lost uniform pieces. Please check your child's clothing to ensure they have not taken the wrong piece from the change or classroom.

Also we have a very full lost and found box with a number of nice winter jackets. If you are missing anything please come and have a look.

# Monthly new/letter conte/t "

"I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.

To be entered into a draw for a prize for this month, copy the quote onto a slip of paper, write your child's name on the back, and drop the paper into the box by the office. Anyone who includes the author of the quote will have a second chance in the draw.

# Registering at Pebble Hill Traditional

# NEW PROCESS for 2012/2013

If your child is not presently enrolled and you are interested in having your child attend PHT in September please drop by the office and get a Application Form 2012/2013 Traditional School. This application form is required even if you already have a sibling attending PHT.

The form explains how priority is determined if applications exceed places available, designated traditional school catchments and application deadlines.

Please complete this form and return to the office by

Friday February 3, 2012 if your child is going into Kindergarten or

Friday March 9, 2012 if your child is going into Grade 1-7

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: Our Kindergarten registration for the 2012/13 school year will take place from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm **Monday February 20th**, **2012** for children who will turn 5-years old by December 31, 2012.

Please ensure you have:

- I. completed and returned the Application Form 2012/2013
  Traditional School by February 3rd, 2012
- II. Bring the following information with you when you come to register your child(ren)
  - an original birth certificate (or passport)
  - immunization records
  - Care Card
  - Proof of residence (current property tax assessment or rental/purchase agreement)



Parent connect is useful for all parents, however for parents of grade 7 studnets it is essential. All course selection will be done through Parent Connect. A refresher is attached for those who may have forgotten how to access parent connect.

### PARENT CONNECT - PARENT TO DO LIST

Please log onto Parent Connect <a href="https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignon.aspx">https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignon.aspx</a> using your child's <a href="PEN">PEN</a> (found at the top of this year's report card), <a href="Password">Password</a> (if you have forgotten your password click on "forgot my password" and your password will be emailed to you), and your <a href="Postal Code">Postal Code</a>. You will need to do this for each of your children attending Pebble Hill Traditional School.

Under the "Basic" tab you should update Demographic Information (phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contacts). Click on the "Select" button to the left of the line you need to update and make updates on the right side of the screen.

To add Emergency Release information click on the light yellow button "Emergency/Out of Prov/Other Contacts." Click on the "Select" button on the left side of the screen and add contact on the right side of the screen. Add no more than 3 names using type *ER-Emergency Release* and add 1 name using type *OP-Out Of Province Contact*.

# Home Address & Phone Number Changes

Changes to your *home* address or *home* phone number cannot be made on Parent Connect; this information must be input by the school office. Please call, send a note or email Mrs. Nowzek at <a href="mailto:dnowzek@deltasd.bc.ca">dnowzek@deltasd.bc.ca</a> with these changes.

# Why Have An Out Of Province Contact?

We are very dependant on the phone system as a means to make contact with each other. Following a large disaster there is the possibility that land and cellular phone service may be limited as lines may be overloaded, down, or only working sporadically. The phone companies have the ability to control incoming and outgoing calls, limit the volume of calls and dedicate the phone system to emergency services personnel.

There is the possibility that when the telephone service is restored the first lines that will be activated will be Out of Province/Area lines. This means that you might be able to phone areas such as Alberta or Montana but you will be unable to phone someone in the coastal areas of BC or the USA. Family reunification will be a high priority following a disaster. If you are unable to contact your family by phone, there is still the possibility of learning where and how they are by using an Out of Province Contact Person.

Arrange with someone in a different region (**not** in the coastal areas of BC or the USA) to be your family contact in an emergency. It is a good idea to pick someone out of the province if possible. Choose someone who has voice mail or an answering machine.

Once you have an Out of Province/Area Contact Person confirmed make sure that all family members carry this person's number with them. Share your family contact name and number with family and friends and enter into your child(ren)'s Parent Connect Emergency Release information – code it as an OP (out of province).



This fall the Delta Gymnastics Society received a grant from the Telus Community Board to continue a school-based gymnastics program throughout the Delta School District. The grant covers the coaching costs to have certified gymnastics instructors visit elementary schools throughout the District to implement the KidsCanMove program and curriculum.

The KidsCanMove program focuses on the <u>fundamentals of movement</u>. The emphasis is on basic landing skills, locomotor skills (hopping, running, skipping and jumping), body and spatial awareness skills, and the projection and reception of objects (ball, stick, bat, etc).

For four weeks in January Monday, 9, 16, 23 & 30 the students in our grades 1, 2 and 3 classes will be provided with four 30-minute sessions of gymnastics instruction. During these sessions the basics of gymnastics and movement will be introduced in a *fun* way utilizing *games* and *individual challenges*.

Delta offers a variety of choice programs that challenge students and enhance learning. Language programs, academically-focused programs, specialized academies and career programs provide students the BC curriculum while giving them an opportunity to extend understanding and personalize learning.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: Children turning five years old before Jan. 1, 2013 are eligible to begin school in Sept. 2012

- All kindergarten programs are now full day
- Registration begins Monday, February 13th, 2012 To register please contact your local home school
- For school catchment areas please view the district website web.deltasd.bc.ca or Call 604-952-5340
- French Immersion Kindergarten Registration deadline is Friday, February 3th, 2012 at 4:00 pm

# Elementary Choice Programs

#### MONTESSORI

- A program based on Montessori principles
- Supports continuous progress as children work on personal goals and academic challenges
- There are no fees or hidden expenses associated with participation in the Delta School District's Montessori Program

#### **DEVON GARDENS**

8884 Russell Drive, Delta, BC

Contact - David Hope 604-581-6185



- Students wear uniforms
- Provincial curriculum aligned with Delta School District's structures and vision
- Formal code of conduct
- Applications now being accepted (kindergarten deadline Feb.3, 2012)

#### **JARVIS TRADITIONAL SCHOOL**

7670 118th Street, Delta, BC Contact - Ragini Kapil 604-594-3484

#### PEBBLE HILL TRADITIONAL SCHOOL

246 52A Street, Delta, BC Contact - Tom McGrory 604-943-0228

#### HEATH TRADITIONAL SCHOOL

11364 72nd Avenue, North Delta Contact - Janet Lauman

604-596-1508

### **FRENCH IMMERSION**

**BILINGUALISM** carries economic, cognitive, and cultural benefits!

#### An excellent opportunity for your child to:

- Become fluent in French
- Develop tolerance and appreciation of cultural diversity
- Earn a double Dogwood graduation diploma
- Have future options with a second language: travel, study, and career.

#### Two French Immersion Programs offered:

◆ EARLY (Kindergarten to Gr. 12) ◆LATE (Gr. 6 - 12)

#### **EARLY French Immersion Programs offered at:**

- ◆ SOUTH PARK
- LADNER
- ◆ RICHARDSON
   ◆ DEVON GARDENS
- SUNSHINE HILLS

### **LATE French Immersion Programs offered at:**

• CHALMERS CLIFF DRIVE

For more information: web.deltasd.bc.ca/programs/frimm

Contact: Christine Carriou - 604-952-5066

#### **STRONG START**

- FREE, drop-in early learning programs for preschool-aged children
- Parents/caregivers attend with their children
- Links to community agencies and services

Program Times: 9:00am - 12:00pm - Days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

#### **CHALMERS ELEMENTARY**

11315 75th Avenue, North Delta

Tel: 604-594-5437

#### **HEATH TRADITIONAL**

11364 72nd Avenue, North Delta Tel: 604-596-1508

#### HELLINGS ELEMENTARY

11655 86th Avenue, North Delta

Tel: 604-596-1701

#### **JARVIS ELEMENTARY**

7670 118th Street, North Delta Tel: 604-594-3484

#### LADNER ELEMENTARY

5016 44th Avenue, Ladner

Tel: 604-946-4158

#### McCLOSKEY ELEMENTARY

11531 80th Avenue, North Delta Tel: 604-596-9554

#### GIBSON ELEMENTARY

(afternoon program) 1:00pm - 4:00pm

11451 90th Avenue, North Delta Tel: 604-594-7588

#### **HOMEQUEST**

- A combination of home and school learning
- Homequest staff work together with parents to support their child's learning

#### PINEWOOD ELEMENTARY

11777 Pinewood Drive Delta, BC Ph: 604-597-8353

or email -homequest@deltasd.bc.ca



