



# CHIMNEY HILL ELEMENTARY

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Principal: Ms. E. Colgate

Vice principal: Ms. A. Boyer

## Principal's Comments:

### Upcoming Dates

- Tues., Sept. 4 - 10:00 - 11:00 First Day of School
- Thurs., Sept. 20 - Meet the Teacher Evening
- Mon., Sept. 24 - Pro-D (School Closed)
- Fri., Sept. 28 - Terry Fox Run
- Mon., Oct. 8 - Thanksgiving (School Closed)
- Thurs., Oct. 18 - 1:25 Early Dismissal

### Newsletter #8

Thursday, June 28 2018

Dear Chimney Hill Community:

Here we are coming to the finish line! As the school year comes to a close, our minds and hearts are filled to the brim with all of the wonderful things that have happened at Chimney Hill this year. It's truly been a great year! Together we've learned much and shared experiences that will long remain with us in the years to come. The strength of our community and whole hearted passion to make our school a wonderful place of learning makes Chimney Hill truly a special place. I feel honored to be your Principal.

I want to send a message of thanks to Mr. Andy Zadeiks who spent many years helping to create the wonderful culture that exists at Chimney Hill. Mr. Zadeiks was required to step into an Acting Principal role a month ago and just last week was assigned to role of Principal at Ocean Cliff Elementary for next year. And while Mr. Zadeiks leaving is a loss for our school, it also opened an opportunity. And that opportunity came as Ms. Aimee Boyer to step in as Acting Vice-Principal. She hit the ground running and is already a well engrained part of our school community. The good news is that she has officially been appointed the role of Vice-Principal at Chimney Hill and will be with us in September. If you get a chance please introduce yourself and give her a Chimney Hill Welcome!

I would like to thank our hard working and caring staff who have made a huge difference to our students. Their commitment is outstanding and our kids are the beneficiaries. Thank you for providing rich and engaging, well rounded experiences. Education is about joy, wonder and curiosity, along with the development of the social, emotional and academic skills needed to succeed; you have fostered this in spades. For these and a million other things, we are truly grateful.

We have a number of school staff retiring this year and others perusing opportunities in schools closer to where they live or to learn and grow in other schools. The hiring process has begun and we have already filled many of the positions. There are a few positions that will be filled over the summer and we will get that list out to parents, most likely on the website as soon as we can.

#### Retiring this year:

Mrs. Ramsden (Gr.4), Ms. Munroe (Gr.3) and Mrs. Bosley(EA.)

#### Pursuing Other Opportunities:

Mr. Colp (Gr.7), Mrs. Van Berkel (Gr.7), Mr. Scott (Gr.5), Mrs. Alvarado Cruz(Gr.3/4), Mrs. Grausam (Gr. 3), Mrs. Joan Rawlyns, Mr. Sheridan (LST), Mrs. McKellar (LST), Mrs. Graham (Counsellor), Mr. Arkell (Music) & Mr. Rauw (Band),

Ms. Preston (SLP)

#### Teachers on Temporary Contracts and Not Returning:

Ms. Korolczuk, Ms. Waddell, Ms. Bakht, Mrs. Sandhu, Mrs. Marek, Mrs. M. Hall, Ms. Dhaliwal, Mrs. Nagra, Mrs. Dos Santos, Ms. Kajla, Ms. Maher, Ms. Mannan, Ms. Sharma

We want to give a huge thank you "shout out" to our entire parent volunteer brigade this year. Our students benefited from your commitment to education and making Chimney Hill "The greatest school in the world!" Special thanks to all the parents who have contributed in ways small, large, and unimaginable! Thanks for getting your kids to school on time each day and helping your kids in the learning process; the partnership between home and school is so important.

In closing I take this opportunity to congratulate all students of Chimney Hill Elementary! I wish you all a very happy, safe and enjoyable summer. I look forward to seeing you all in September. To those of you who are leaving us for new places we wish you all the best and hope you have a wonderful upcoming school year.

Sincerely,

## School Opening in September 2018

On Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> our school will be in session for **grades Ktg - 7 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.** During that time, teachers will take attendance and review school procedures. We will have a list posted in the front of the school to indicate which rooms the students will go to for the first day. Students in grades 1, 2 and 3 will be dismissed from the same location at 11:00 a.m.

Late in the summer, parents of new Kindergarten students will receive letters containing information about their schedule for the first couple week of school.

Due to the uncertainty regarding our enrolment, students in grades 1-7 may spend the first week in grade groups where they will have contact with all the teachers at their level. This provides an opportunity to get to know our new students and create balanced classes. We thank parents in advance for your patience during the opening days. We are a very large school and experience has taught us that it is worth taking the time to build classes carefully. We endeavour to form classes as quickly as possible.

## School Fees - 2018/2019

Following is a list of estimated fees for materials and activities for the 2018/2019 school year. According to the District Policy, fees may be collected for student planners, materials for personal use and for optional field studies and student activities that are set by the school. These fees reflect the actual cost of the service or equipment.

### Various Fees 2018/2019

- Student Planners - \$5.00
- Field studies - (max \$20.00 field trip - up to \$75.00)
- Kindergarten School Supplies - \$40.00

**Parents have two options for purchasing school supplies. You may choose to purchase the supplies yourself at any of the retail stores or from School Start School Supplies:**

- Primary Supplies - (From School Start school supplies - \$50 - \$75)
- Intermediate Supplies - (From School Start school supplies - \$60 - \$75)
- Grade 4 recorder (optional) - \$10.00 (approx.)
- Grade 7 Band Instrumental rental - \$25 - \$40.00/month (depending on instrument)
- Grade 7 Band Book - \$10.00 (approx.)

### Activities that will be decided upon in September:

- Grade 6 Camp - \$190.00 (approx.)
- Grade 7 Victoria Trip - \$50.00
- Grade 7 Year End Experiences - \$75.00

No child will be denied an opportunity to receive necessary supplies or to attend field studies due to an inability to pay. If you are unable to pay the amount requested by the school, please contact your child's teacher. If you have any questions about this information, please contact Ms. Colgate. **All payments for school planner, materials and field studies are optional.**

Thank you.

## Chimney Hill Calendar 2018/2019

Tuesday, September 4 <sup>th</sup>	School Opens 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Thursday, September 20 <sup>th</sup>	Meet the Teacher Evening
Monday, September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Instructional Day (Admin Pro-D)
Friday, September 28 <sup>th</sup>	Terry Fox Run
Monday, October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving (School Closed)
Thursday, October 18 <sup>th</sup>	1:25 p.m. Early Dismissal
October 19 <sup>th</sup>	Non Instructional Day (Pro D)
October 23rd	Interim Reports
Thursday, November 8 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day Assembly
Friday, November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Instructional Day (Pro-D in lieu)
Monday, November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day (School Closed)
Tuesday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>	First Reports sent home
Thursday, December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Parent-Teacher Conferences (1:25 p.m. Early Dismissal)
Friday, December 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day before Christmas Vacation
Monday, January 7 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens
Monday, February 18 <sup>th</sup>	Family Day (School Closed)
Friday, February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Non-Instructional Day (Pro-D in lieu)
Tuesday, March 12 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> reports go home
Thursday, March 14 <sup>th</sup>	1:25 Early Dismissal
March 18 <sup>th</sup> - March 29 <sup>th</sup>	School Closure & Spring Break
April 8 <sup>th</sup>	Non Instructional Day (Curriculum)
Friday, April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday (school closed)
Monday, April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Easter Monday (school closed)
Friday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Non-Instructional Day (STA Pro-D)
Wed., May 15 <sup>th</sup> - Fri., May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 6's to Camp
Monday, May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Victoria Day (School Closed)
Monday, May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Non-Instructional Day (Pro-D)
Friday, June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
Thursday, June 27 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school for students Third Reports sent home (1:25 p.m. early dismissal - Program As-
Friday, June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Staff only at school

## Parent Information Regarding Class Placements for 2018/2019

As we start planning for the 2018/2019 school year we would like to share the following information with parents. **Placement of Students in classes is determined by the following criteria:**

- Student intellectual, social and emotional development
- Learning styles and strengths of students
- Degree of independence in student work habits
- Integration of special needs students
- Separating students who do not work well together
- Adhering to class size limits

The placement of students must be determined through school-based professional decisions. Teachers have the knowledge of the academic needs of children, and therefore can best determine where individual children should be placed.

**Thank you for your help in creating a positive learning situation for all of our students.**

### Top Running Club Students:

**Gr. 1 – Top Girl:** Ayia Punzalan (45 km) **Top Boy:** Matthew Khera & Kerast Singh (50km)

**Gr. 2 - Top Girl:** Sinaiah Gayle (48.5 km) **Top Boy:** Joven Toor (49 km)

**Gr. 3 – Top Girl:** Sonia Dhillon (36.5 km) **Top Boy:** Clarke Zanatta (77 km)

**Gr. 4 – Top Girls:** Alyssa Padam (54.5 km) **Top Boy:** Jason Athwal & Ojayit Sood(63.5 km)

**Gr. 5 – Top Girl:** Saiya Hayer & Jaslen Gill (55 km) **Top Boy:** Jayden Sukh (69 km)

**Gr. 6 – Top Girl:** Kate Lamont (40 km) **Top Boy:** Jai Mokha (53 km)

**Gr. 7 – Top Girl:** Daveeta Padam (61km) **Top Boy:** Eshan Gill, Joven Kalsi, Jayden Martin & Christian Prost (75 km)

### Top Badminton Team Runners:

**Girl:** Mirembe Kataate (41 Km)

**Boy:** Christo Biju Chemmanam (47 Km)

### Chess Tournament – Top Four Winners

**Grade 4 - 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner – Sahej Sidhu – Div. 12**

**Grade 5 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner – Tyrone Nevado – Div. 8**

**Grade 6 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner – Ansh Gupta – Div. 4**

**Grade 7 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner - Rohan Gandhi – Div. 3**

**Overall Winner 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner –Tyrone Nevado**

**Gauss Awards - Christo Biju - 104**

### Bell Schedule for Next Year

8:15 Supervision on playground

8:30 First bell for students

**8:35 Classes begin**

10:15 Recess

10:30 Classes resume

11:42 Noon break

12:12 Lunch bell (eating time)

12:27 Classes resume

2:27 Students are dismissed

2:40 Supervision ends