



Welcome Back!

On behalf of all the staff here at Cougar Canyon Elementary School I would like to welcome you back for our 2017-2018 school year. I hope you all had a wonderful summer with friends and family. I would also like to welcome all our new families attending Cougar Canyon for the first time. We look forward to seeing you on our first day back.

The new school year is nearly upon us, and I am excited to be joining the Cougar Canyon community as your new Principal. I look forward to stepping into the role of Principal at Cougar Canyon and working with our teachers and staff to support exceptional learning for your children. Please allow me to introduce myself via this letter, and I look forward to meeting you all in person at our school throughout the year.

My name is Mrs. Claire Clancy and I have been a member of the Delta School District for 19 years. Prior to becoming Principal at Cougar Canyon, I was a Principal at Pebble Hill Traditional School, a Vice-Principal at Sunshine Hills Elementary and, prior to that, I was Vice-Principal at Holly Elementary. For over ten years, I have also enjoyed working in the role of Learning Support Teacher at various elementary schools. In addition to this work, I have taught Primary and Intermediate classes in both Delta and the West Vancouver school districts.

I am honoured to now be a member of the Cougar Canyon educational community. I anticipate an excellent year full of strong student learning, exceptional teaching and engaged parental involvement.

Mrs. Clancy, Principal

School will officially start on Tuesday, September 5th.

As you may have seen over the summer our school is still undergoing construction to our front entrance. At this point it looks like the entrance may not be ready on time for opening day. **A temporary front entrance has been created to the right of our front doors where our Kindergarten students have typically lined up. We will have a Welcome Back bulletin board outside at our temporary entrance for our first day.**

On the first day of school (Sept. 5th) for 2017-18, classes will be in session from **9:00am-12:00 noon**. Our regular school hours from 9:00am-3:00pm will begin the following day, September 6th. **Kindergarten** parents please refer to your **revised** “phase in” schedule which allows for a gradual entry. You will all be meeting the Kindergarten teachers with your child from 9:30-10:00 on September 5th.

(Gr. 1-7-Please do not bring school supplies on the first day just some basic items will do, e.g. pen, pencil...).**

NEW STUDENTS

Please plan to be at the school before the first bell which rings at 8:55 am. On our first day, if you are **already registered** you will be welcomed in our school library. New students **not yet registered** should report to the school office. All new students will be taken to temporary age-



appropriate classrooms for the morning and will return to the library for pick up at 12:00 noon. Starting the next day, new students will return to their temporary classrooms each day until regular classes are formed. Students will be informed as to which door they should be dropped off and picked up from. If you have any questions please come to the office.

RETURNING STUDENTS

Please plan to be at the school before the first bell which rings at 8:55 am. Students should line up at the door they came through in June. Our grade 1 students (**last year's K's**) will be met at their old door and will be brought to their temporary classroom. They will be returned to their regular doors for dismissal. Students in grades 2-7 will attend their last year's classrooms until regular classes are formed.

We look forward to what we anticipate will be a fabulous school year.

Respectfully,

Mrs. C. Clancy, Principal

Mrs. J Kwasnicki, Vice Prinipal