



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- April 26<sup>th</sup>:** Tennis Program begins today  
**Please ensure all fees & registration forms are Submitted or you will not be allowed to play. Contact Ms. Hinds @ 604.713.5433 with any questions.**
- April 29<sup>th</sup>:** (Div 6,7,8) Field Trip - Orpheum  
(Div 1,2) Skating  
(Div 13,14) Field Trip - Waterfront Theatre.
- May 4<sup>th</sup>:** (Div6) Field Trip - Native Plants
- May 7<sup>th</sup>:** Starry Night: An Evening of Talent & Fundraiser
- May 14<sup>th</sup>:** (Div4) Lynn Canyon Ecology Centre
- May 18<sup>th</sup>:** PAC Meeting 6:15pm to 8:00pm
- May 21<sup>st</sup>:** Sports Day – Early Dismissal – 2:00pm

### FROM THE PAC:

#### FANTASTIC OFFER FROM BOPOMO:

We are pleased to offer you a fantastic opportunity from the award-winning photography studio, Bopomo. For a sitting fee of \$25 which is **donated in its entirety to the school**, you will receive a mini family photo session and a free 8 X 10 photo of your choice. You are under no obligation to order any additional prints. Please check out **the [PAC website](#)** for the available times. Sign-up sheets are located in the main hallway of the school

#### PAC BUDGET CONSULTATIONS:

The PAC is working hard to formulate its budget for the 2010-2011 school year and we invite you to email us with your suggestions as to where we should allocate funds. We are aiming of finalizing the budget at May's PAC meeting (May 18<sup>th</sup>) in order to have it ready for voting at the AGM (June 15<sup>th</sup>).

#### THANK YOU'S:

The PAC would be remiss if we didn't acknowledge everyone who has written/called/emailed/rallied the government in support of our educational system. As well, a big thank you to all of the people who are working hard to make the Starry Night event a big success.

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

This past Tuesday all of the classes recorded their songs for the "Canada Eh?" CD project at Point Grey Community Church. Mike and Ian, who did the recording at the church thought that it might be very difficult to record 22 songs in one day. They were very pleased to see how focused and prepared the students were to sing. Yes we did manage to get it all done.

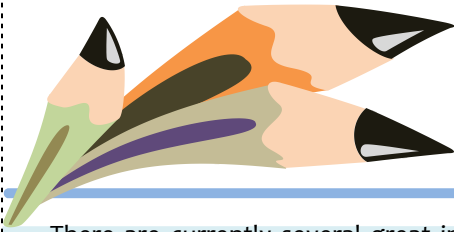
The next few weeks Ian and Mike will be mixing the songs and we will let you know when the CD's (with lyrics) will be available for a nominal fee (to cover recording and CD costs). A BIG thank you goes out to PGCC, Ian and Mike for hosting this recording project.

The community garden beds constructed for our Sustainability Fair are being planted right now. It is great to see the veggies sprouting! Thanks to parents who have partnered with our classes.

Our track and field athletes have started practicing. It is not too late to join!

Have a great weekend!

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## OUR ADVOCACY EFFORTS CONTINUE:

There are currently several great initiatives underway throughout the city and throughout our school, all geared towards inspiring the provincial government to fulfill their commitment to provide quality education to our children. Specifically, the VSB is facing a shortfall of 18.12 million dollars which, unless addressed by the government, will result in district wide cuts to staff (teachers, support workers, teacher-librarians, counselors, ESL aides, and administrative support) and programs. At Bayview, 4 teachers have been given notice of potential layoff.

- Here at Bayview, Hilary Feldman and Jane Webster have embarked upon a very successful **letter writing campaign**, with over 60 hand-written letters collected.
- In the coming days, Bayview aims to participate in a city-wide **"Read-In"** to show support for our school libraries and the teacher-librarians who make them work. Parents will be invited to join us in the library with their favourite book to demonstrate just how important literacy and public education is.
- We are also planning a **"Town Hall"** meeting in the upcoming week where parents, teachers and other concerned community members will be encouraged to share their concerns with others. We are inviting all other schools and hope to get a good turnout from the Premier's riding (West Point Grey). Details will be forthcoming in the next few days.
- The next meeting of the [Vancouver Parents for Public Education](#) is being held at General Gordon on Monday, April 26th at General Gordon School (2896 West 6th) from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Childcare will be provided free of charge, please email [isulston@gmail.com](mailto:isulston@gmail.com) to reserve a spot.
- Join the Facebook group [Stop BC Education Cuts](#). It is now over 4400 members strong (it was 1100 members back in February).
- For you tech savvy people, our Premier uses [Twitter](#). Follow him at [g\\_campbell](#) and send him your opinion for all who follow him to see (that would be over 5,000 voters).
- The PAC website now has a permanent page dedicated to advocacy, located [here](#). All news of rallies, letter-writing campaigns, media releases, etc. will be located there as fast as we can get them up. We have currently posted a document full of incredibly helpful and creative ways to make your voice heard. If you would like to spearhead an initiative, please don't hesitate to contact us at [bayviewpac@gmail.com](mailto:bayviewpac@gmail.com) and we will lend you all of our support and more.

## STARRY NIGHT: AN EVENING OF TALENT & FUNDRAISER:

**TICKETS \$10.00**

Click [HERE](#) to purchase or email [bayviewstarrynight@gmail.com](mailto:bayviewstarrynight@gmail.com) to reserve yours today!!!

As our 4th annual Evening of Talent and Silent Auction draws near, we are in the hunt for a few items to help us transform the gym. If you have any of the following items and are willing to lend them to us for the evening, email [shayne@todd.co.za](mailto:shayne@todd.co.za) (and thank you):

- Strings of white lights (the sort we all use for the Christmas trees)
- Extension cords
- Punch bowls
- Bistrot tables and chairs (the sort you might have on your balcony or patio)

We are also looking for some kind souls to help us out in the days following up the event and on the night itself. Please check out our volunteer page [located here](#) and see if you can dedicate a few hours to a very worthy (and fun) cause.

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

**VSBWest 2 COMMUNITY TEAM** is offering the following activities:

**Photoshop Basics** (Grade 6 and 7 only): March 31 to **May12th (extended a week)** - Wednesdays 12:15pm to 1:30 -Contact [ismith@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:ismith@vsb.bc.ca) or [mkulik@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:mkulik@vsb.bc.ca) for more information or call 604.713.5610.

### **Drama with Jodi:**

March 31<sup>st</sup> to April 28<sup>th</sup> contact [pongatzproductions@yahoo.ca](mailto:pongatzproductions@yahoo.ca)

**SPRING FLAG FOOTBALL** has been **cancelled** due to lack of enrolment.



## STARS OF THE WEEK:

A big shout out to the following students:

<b>DIVISION 1:</b>	LIAM M. (FOR ALL YOUR HELP, FROM DIVISION 8)
<b>DIVISION 2:</b>	LEON H.
<b>DIVISION 5:</b>	JAMIE F.
<b>DIVISION 6:</b>	AURE B. & JACKSON P.
<b>DIVISION 8:</b>	LEIFA M., AYLQ. & KARA K.
<b>DIVISION 10:</b>	ZOE M., MOLLY H. & MOLLY CG.
<b>DIVISION 11:</b>	SAHARA J. & BEN C.
<b>DIVISION 12:</b>	MICHELLE Y., TYLER P., & PHEONIX M.
<b>DIVISION 14:</b>	FORREST



Division 1's Platter for the Starry Night Auction – "Head, Hands & Heart"

## ATHLETES of TERM 2:

Congratulations to the following students for achieving excellence in athletics:

<b>GRADE 4:</b>	KIYAN R. & PHOENIX S. TEGAN L. & JESSICA M.
<b>GRADE 5:</b>	CALEB W. & LOUIS A GEORGIA D. & YUN JM.
<b>GRADE 6:</b>	LIAM F. & ERICSSON S. TAYLOR D.S. & TESSA W.
<b>GRADE 7:</b>	ZACHARY H. & LUCAS R. MICHELLE Y.



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