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### **Head of School**

#### **Together in Community and Connected in Spirit**

Thank you to the parents who were able to join us this morning for our opening full school assembly. For those of you who were unable to attend, our first assembly of the year is an opportunity to welcome, celebrate and honour different groups and individuals in our community.

During the assembly, almost the entire student body sits in buddies, which is to say that Senior School and Junior School students are paired-up to help generate a feeling of connection and continuity between our two school buildings. One of the strongest buddy connections we hope to create is the one that brings together our kindergarten and grade 12 students. As the very first item at our opening assembly, we welcome our youngest and oldest students with a round of enthusiastic and appreciative applause as they walk into the gym together, and then we thank our grade 12 lifer students (those students from our graduating class who have been at Southridge since Kindergarten) for all they have done to help create the school we are all a part of today.

We also welcome all of our new faculty and staff by presenting them with a Southridge lapel pin that they are invited to wear at all times, if they choose to do so; but certainly at school events and special Southridge functions. We also celebrate our employees too, by congratulating the lifelong learners among them who have accomplished special designations such as advanced diplomas and graduate degrees. This is an excellent way to help underscore for our entire community how important it is to continue learning throughout your life.

We are very aware at Southridge that the influences of our teachers and staff alike play a significant part in the education of our students. Our teachers are role models and they are guides; they provide counsel and they offer guidance; they give their time and they reveal their wisdom; they are facilitators and they are tutors. Our staff is always here for our students, often working behind the scenes to create the atmosphere of assurance, dependability and trust that we sometimes take for granted. Their efforts join those of our teachers to help propel our school forward and stabilize the learning environment. As such, our teachers and staff are united in helping our students feel safe and secure enough to take risks, accept challenges, express their voices and construct an informed view of the world.

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In recognition of all they do, we honour our teachers and staff with special 5, 10, 15 and 20-year milestone lapel pins that demonstrate our collective appreciation for their contributions and their enduring support of our community and our students.

In the end, we cheer-on our kindergarten students – the mighty class of 2029 – and we remind them of their important place at Southridge by presenting them with a personalized orca whale stuffie and singing the school song with them – a warm embrace. Without question, the energy and enthusiasm for our youngest students is something that cannot go unnoticed, and we all benefit from the uplifting sense of possibility that our spirits can't help but feel. We most certainly are all one, together in community and connected in spirit.

Have a wonderful week!

Drew Stephens Head of School

# **Important Dates**

Event	Date	Time	Location
Grade 12 Info Night	Wednesday, September 14 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Alan Brown Great Hall
Used Uniform Sale	Thursday, September 15 <sup>th</sup>	2:30 – 4:30 pm	Junior School Great Hall
Grade 8 Parent Night	Thursday, September 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 – 8:00 pm	Alan Brown Great Hall
Junior School AR Summer Term Ends	Friday, September 16 <sup>th</sup>		Junior School
Welcome Back Parent Barbeque	Friday, September 16 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 – 5:00 pm	Commons
Photo Day	Wednesday, September 21st		Both Schools
Grade 5 Outdoor Ed Meeting	Thursday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Junior School
Grade 6 Outdoor Ed Meeting	Thursday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Junior School
Grade 7 Outdoor Ed Meeting	Thursday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Junior School
Junior School Meet the Teacher Night	Thursday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	7:00 – 8:00 pm	Junior School Great Hall

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## **Junior School News**

#### **Head of Junior School**

## Six Keys to a Successful School Year

What a wonderful first week of school it has been! I am tremendously grateful to the faculty and staff, students, and parents of the Southridge community for the very warm and generous welcome that has been extended to me. It is truly a privilege and a gift to be a part of this very special community. At our first assembly, we explored six keys to unlock a successful school year:

- Keep calm and follow the golden rule (treat others they way you want to be treated.) At Southridge, we want to be treated with respect, kindness, and compassion. Therefore, we need to begin by treating others with respect, kindness and compassion.
- 2. **Speak the truth, even if your voice shakes.** Southridge is a truth telling school. When we own our actions and have the courage to speak the truth, the end result is far more positive and powerful for everyone than if we don't speak the truth.
- 3. "Be mindful even if your mind is full." (DeLa Vega). It's important to be present in the learning experience, and also to be aware of our surroundings. Moving with care and consideration through spaces, being punctual, being mindful of how our actions might impact others, and noticing what is happening around us before we proceed are necessary for sustaining a safe and nurturing learning environment.
- 4. **Wear it with Pride.** Our uniform is a statement of who we are as a community. When we wear it with pride, we are stating that not only do we care about our community, but that we are also proud to be a part of it.
- 5. Mistakes are proof that you are trying. Trying means that we never give up, even when challenges might arise. Mistakes provide opportunities not only for learning, but for reflecting and growing as people. Resilience (or bouncing back) is an important mindset to cultivate and grow so that we have the stamina to keep trying, no matter what.
- 6. **Don't forget to have a good time.** Southridge is a "light-hearted place of serious purpose". This means we must remember to laugh, keep things light, and find the joy and delight that is inherent in the learning process.

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I encourage and invite you to partner with us in helping your child use his/her keys to unlock a successful school year.

Tanya de Hoog Head of Junior School

## **Supervised Study in the Junior School**

Students in Grades 5-7 who need support with adhering to expectations (i.e. uniform, following rules) are invited to and expected to attend Supervised Study. Supervised Study takes place after school on Fridays, from 3:10 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. Students will be notified by their teacher if and why they need to attend, and will need to make arrangements to accommodate for this. If there is a co-curricular after school, coaches or sponsor teachers will be notified that the student will arrive late. (If there is an off-site co-curricular commitment such a swim practice, or a tournament) the student will work with Mrs. de Hoog to make alternate arrangements. Our hope is that students will adhere to expectations with gentle reminders, and that Supervised Study will not be necessary. Thank you in advance for your support in helping your child adhere to expectations and wearing their uniform with pride.

## **Order Hot Lunch Online (Kindergarten—Grade 3)**

We accepting your Hot Lunch orders online are now at http://www.munchalunch.com/schools/southridgesurrey. Please place your child's order by September 22nd. At this stage we are unable to accept online payment. Be sure to submit your cheque to the Junior School front desk once you have placed your online order. For more detailed instructions, please see the attached document. If you have any problems or concerns, please contact your Hot Lunch Chairs: Gabe Embley, gabe.embley@yahoo.ca and Cindy Moreno, cindyvisnjak@hotmail.com.

#### **Hot Lunch Volunteers**

We are still looking for Hot Lunch Volunteers to distribute the meals to our students. Volunteering requires being at the school 5-6 times throughout the year on Wednesdays from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. If you are interested, please register through the volunteer portal.

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## **Senior School News**

#### **Head of Senior School**

#### **Kicking off a Great School Year!**

After working in the Senior School office getting ready for the school year since early August, our main reason for being here, the students, finally arrived last week. An empty school is quiet, lonely, and eerily lacking the main ingredient that makes a school a school and gives it life and energy: kids!

The buzz of the first day of school is something I have experienced every year for (well) over 40 years. I love it. The excitement of students returning to see friends after a long summer, finding out which teachers they have and who is in their classes is an exciting time. When the first day of school happens at a school like Southridge, where students clearly love attending, it is that much more fun to be a part of. Our Senior School opening assembly on Thursday was expertly emceed by our Head Boy and Girl, William Lauzon and Georgie Adams, who gave us a visual tour of some the exciting changes that have happened around Southridge over the summer including a new dividing wall and refinished floor in the Senior School Gym, and our revamped cafeteria (now called The Southridge Cafe - much classier!). The Cafe renovations were completed after considerable input from our students and it looks fantastic!

In my message to students I encouraged them to find ways make their school year amazing. Students need to come to school well-rested, be on time, and be prepared by completing all homework assignments so they can actively participate in Harkness-styled class discussions. When everyone comes to class prepared, engagement and learning improves. Never be afraid of failure, rather, as Colonel Chris Hadfield said at an education conference last year: "You want to fail, and you want to fail big, and fail early." He also said that "early success is a terrible teacher." It is no secret that as humans, we will make mistakes, failure will happen. It is what we do with the challenges and failures that come our way, and how we seek to learn from them, that make us better learners and better people.

As the first day of school let out at 3:00 students left with smiles on their faces - a sure sign that the day was a great one! Parents picking up students in the parking lot capped off a great day by obeying traffic signs, driving cautiously and courteously, letting others merge and safely exit the campus.

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As we wind up our first full week of school, I offer my sincere thanks to parents as you help us by ensuring the following is taken care of daily:

- Students arrive on-time, well-fed and well-rested with a healthy lunch and snacks.
- Students have completed all homework assignments and are ready to participate.
- Uniforms fit, are in good condition, and are being worn properly.
- Shoes are dress-shoes that are all black, without logos or markings, and polished.
- Hair is neat and in the range of what we would call a "natural" colour, and older boys are clean-shaven. Deodorant is also something that kids in grade 8 and 9 may not realize is needed!
- Laptops are always transported to and from school in the assigned Laptop Backpacks.

The 2016-2017 school year at Southridge is going to be amazing!

Brad Smith Head of Senior School

#### **Strathcona Parent Information**

For all Grade 8 and 9 parents, please join us on Thursday September 15th at 7:00 pm. Grade 8 parents will gather in the Great Hall, and Grade 9 parents will meet in the Library. At this time, we will go over trip expectations, how to best prepare for the trip, and answer any questions you may have.

For Grade 8's, this Strathcona information will be a part of your "Grade 8 Parent Night".

We look forward to seeing you there,

Anna Szymczak & Norman Dods



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#### **Senior School Picnic**

This year's senior school picnic is on Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup>. After a short day of classes (period 1 and 2), students will get on the buses (10:40) and travel a short distance to Crescent Park. Students will enjoy a picnic and participate in welcoming rituals, tug of wars and finally, the Terry Fox Run. New students will get their house t-shirt at the picnic. We will return to school by 3:00. Students need to come to school on this day wearing their house colours/costumes and bring:

- Bag lunch
- Water Bottle/water
- Running Shoes
- Clothes should be old clothes in house colours that are ok to get dirty
- Students can dress up in house coloured crazy costumes
- Students can paint their faces/hair in their house colour
- A towel to clean up after welcoming ritual or a change of clothes
- Raincoat or suntan lotion...we go rain or shine
- Donation for Terry Fox

#### **New Students and a New School Year**

Last Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. the Grade 12's and a few students from other grades showed up in the library to prepare to be buddies for the new students coming in. Traditionally, the Grade 12's are buddied with the incoming Grade 8's to show them around the school, introduce them to their teachers, and help them set up their laptops.

The two different perspectives of the day were really intriguing to watch. On the one end of the spectrum were the Grade 12's – the graduating class of 2017 – who, for the first time, are the oldest students in the school, with no class above them to forge the way. It was pointed out to them several times that they are the leaders of the school by virtue of being Grade 12's and that this was an opportunity to truly affect the school year by being part of the first Senior School experience for the new Grade 8's.

The Grade 12's were very excited and evidently a little shocked to realize that they were now the students that they themselves were so in awe of only four years ago. On the

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other end of the spectrum were the Grade 8's – the graduating class of 2021 – looking nervous and more than a little overwhelmed at the thought of finally being in the Senior School. As the morning progressed, it was wonderful to watch the two groups interact together. The Grade 12's began to look more and more like the adults they will become and the Grade 8's began to look as if they believed that they could really feel at home here. And the next morning, when all the Southridge students sat down in the Gradt Hall for the first assembly on the 2016/2017 school year, the picture was filled in: the Grade 8's at the front and the Grade 12's at the back forming the parenthetical beginning and ending of the Senior School experience. Behind the Grade 8's were the Grade 9's, then 10's, then 11's, and it was evident that they had all grown and that they were all amazed to be another grade older. So here they all sat, ready for the new year, all at a new stage, all on the journey to adulthood, all the very image of possibility and potential. The new year has officially begun!

Mrs. Brenda Becker Upper Division Coordinator

# **BC Ministry Curriculum and Provincial Examination Changes** for 2016-2017

#### A Brief Background

As you may know the Ministry of Education in British Columbia has been working on changes to the curriculum since 2011 when the need for changes to the existing graduation program was initially highlighted. The Ministry, in consultation with stakeholders, has been working on modernizing curriculum, assessment and the graduation program since that time.

It is worth noting that Southridge developed its own <u>Senior School Education Program</u> (SSEP) in response to many of the same imperatives for better meeting students' needs in the increasingly diverse, technology rich, collaborative, and globally focused world in which we live and work.

The changes envisaged by the Ministry will be brought in over the next few years after further consultation with post-secondary institutions. In order to allow schools to adjust to the new curriculum and new provincial exams, only modest changes to the graduation credit requirements will be made for now.

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The changes to the provincial examination program are effective as of July 1, 2016, which is the legislated start to the school year. Under the new curriculum, the path to graduation is designed to be more flexible. The graduation program still spans Grade 10, 11 and 12, but a student's path to their Dogwood may be more varied than before.

There is a clear emphasis on real-life experiences - community involvement, gaining business knowledge, and hands-on learning. Beginning in the 2017/18 school year, every student will have to take Career Education to graduate with the intent to build closer links between classroom learning and future career goals and pathways.

The emphasis in B.C.'s redesigned curriculum is the core competencies of communication, creative & critical thinking, and social & personal responsibility <a href="https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies">https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies</a>,

essential learning, and foundational literacy and math skills. **The current provincial examinations are being discontinued,** and will be replaced with two new exams, which focus on literacy and math skills.

#### What This Means for Students

#### For students entering Grades 10-12 in the 2016/2017 school year:

#### · Grade 10 students will:

- Follow most of the current Graduation Program requirements
- Take a Math 10, a Language Arts 10 and Science 10, with classroom assessments instead of provincial exams
- Meet Social Studies graduation requirements with classroom assessments
- Write a provincial math skills exam and a provincial literacy exam before graduation

#### · Grade 11 students will:

- Have completed a Math 10, a Language Arts 10 and Science 10 or equivalent and written the provincial exams
- Meet Social Studies graduation requirements with classroom assessments



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instead of a provincial exam

- Write a provincial literacy exam before graduation
- Not write the new provincial math skills exam

#### Grade 12 students will:

- Finish all the current Graduation Program requirements
- Have completed a Math 10, a Language Arts 10, Science 10 and Social Studies 11 (or equivalent) and have written provincial exams
- Take Language Arts 12 (or equivalent) and write the associated provincial exam
- Not write the new provincial literacy or provincial math skills exams
- Students who have completed courses associated with discontinued exams by June 30, 2016 will have until June 2017 to write or re-write exams
- Students taking summer school during July and August 2016 will not be required to write provincial exams in Math 10, Language Arts 10, Science 10 and Social Studies 11 (or equivalent)

There is considerably more detailed information on the Ministry's website and I would encourage all parents and students to review the information there. https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca

Jan Holt Senior School Academic Program Director

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### **Both Schools**

## **Welcome to Schoology**

Over the summer the school has implemented a new system called <u>Schoology</u> to replace the LMS (Learning Management System) that we have used for classroom and general communications over the past two years.

The reason for the change to Schoology is that over the course of our two years using LMS, feedback from teachers was that the program was limited and not providing students with optimal online learning experiences. Therefore, after a comprehensive evaluation of our options, it was determined that it was in the best interest of our students, teachers and parents, that we move to Schoology as our LMS platform, beginning in September.

As part of this change, you will now notice a **Schoology button** in the Parents' Portal. Clicking on the button will take you to the Schoology log in screen. If you have an Apple or Android smart phone, you can also go to their respective app stores and download the free Schoology app.

All parents with email addresses in our school database will receive an email today inviting you to log onto Schoology. Once you are logged on, you can go into your profile to change your password from the temporary password you will receive in the email.

Schoology provides a number of improved features and benefits.

- Calendars all the calendars that you need are accessible in Schoology.
   You can select them one at a time, or combine them for a complete view.
- Courses you can view your child(ren)'s course information.
- Groups A Group will be created with its own calendar, member list and
  communication features when you belong to a volunteer group or are part of a
  school trip or group event. This allows group members to plan, communicate
  and share resources and documents. The Junior School also has parent
  groups for Junior teacher/parent communication.

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- Communication Each Group and Course has email, blogging and discussion features that make communication in the Course or Group easy amongst the members.
- **Dynamic Content** Content is easily changed and updated using the tools in each Course or Group.
- Notifications You can easily configure what notifications you receive, either
  via mail or through your phone for course, groups and personal changes and
  communications.

All course information will be displayed in Schoology on Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please note that all calendar information, all dates and times of events, will now be found in Schoology. The Parents' Portal and the Southridge Wednesday will only list important dates.

For Schoology support, Steve Anderson (<a href="mailto:sanderson@southridge.bc.ca">sanderson@southridge.bc.ca</a>), the Junior School Education Technology Leader will be assisting Junior School parents, while Heather Mosher (<a href="mailto:hmosher@southridge.bc.ca">hmosher@southridge.bc.ca</a>), the Senior School Education Technology Leader will assist Senior School parents. Alan McInnes (<a href="mailto:amcinnes@southridge.bc.ca">amcinnes@southridge.bc.ca</a>), the Manager of the Website and AV Services can assist with log on issues and changing of your emails. The Schoology website has a wealth of information and a FAQ (frequently asked questions) section to assist you further.

We are looking forward to assisting you to enjoy the full benefits of this new communications system.

## Video Training for Schoology – Lesson 1 How to View Your Children's Activities

Ms. Mosher, our Senior School Education Technology Leader, will be creating a series of videos to show you how to use Schoology. In this first video, she demonstrates how to view your children's activities. <u>Click here to view the video.</u>

## **Welcome to Vidigami**

By now you should have received a welcome email inviting you to log onto Vidigami for this year. If you haven't please contact me <a href="mailto:amcinnes@southridge.bc.ca">amcinnes@southridge.bc.ca</a> and I can send you a new email invitation.



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Vidigami is a password protected website that allows us to gather and share photos amongst the Southridge community. Parents can both upload and download photos so you benefit from photos from other parents and the school. The photos can also be tagged so that you can enjoy an ever growing collection of photos of just your children.

There is also a Vidigami app, available in Apple app store or for Android phones, the Google Play store. The app provides full access to all of your photos and you can create albums and upload photos all from your phone. This allows parents who are at school events and activities to take photos with their phones and upload them to an album for the whole Southridge community to enjoy.

You will also notice that there is access to previous years' photos so you can browse through past years' photo albums. Vidigami also has a feature called "Sets" which allow you to create collections of your favourite photos for review and download.

Vidigami is a powerful way for us to collect and share photos which only gets better the more we all contribute. It is used by the yearbook committee to select photos so you may be helping to ensure the yearbook represents your children, other students and activities by uploading photos that you take at school events.

I invite you to log on, learn how use it and help ensure that we all benefit from each person's contributions. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about its use.

Alan McInnes Manager, Web and AV Services

## The Admissions Office is Open for Business...

Just a friendly reminder to consider getting your application in <u>early</u> if you are seeking admission for 2017/18. Or, if you know of someone who might be interested in becoming a part of the Southridge community, let them know they can fill out an application online – the deadline is December 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions about the process, please contact Admissions:

Kindergarten to Grade 5 Grades 6 to 12 Lorna Johnson Kristine Mathiasen

ljohnson@southridge.bc.ca kmathiasen@southridge.bc.ca



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#### It's Welcome Back BBQ time!!!

We hope you are planning to join us this **Friday**, **September 16**<sup>th</sup> **from 3:00 – 4:30pm** for our annual Welcome Back BBQ. All teachers and staff from the Junior and Senior Schools will be at the event and this is an excellent opportunity to mingle with the Faculty and for new families to get involved in our school community.

We'll be serving up complimentary hamburgers, veggie burgers and hot dogs, along with popcorn and the famous root beer floats! If you're a kindergarten parent, the BBQ and root-beer float station will be ready to feed the kindie kids starting at 2:00pm.

**Parking will be very limited that day**, so we are asking EVERYONE to **PLEASE park off-site and WALK to the school** for the BBQ - parking in our neighbourhood is also limited, so please plan accordingly.

Junior School parents who are used to parking on the road in front of the Kindergarten and Grade 1 classroom doors, will NOT be able to do so that afternoon. Also, **the road to the Senior School around the grassy commons area will be gated off at 2:00pm**, so parents will **NOT** be able to drive to the Senior School to pick up their children.

If you are <u>not</u> able to attend, PLEASE pick-up your children after school – it will be a very busy afternoon and we care about their safety and well-being.

Feeding the whole school at once is a big job and we are still looking for volunteers. If you're able to lend a helping hand, please kindly email Dustin Schroer at DustinSchroer@cactusclubcafe.com

This is a great way to re-charge our community spirit and catch up with old friends and welcome our new families. We look forward to seeing everyone this Friday at 3pm!

Dustin Schroer & Jennifer Wu-DiPopolo 2016 Welcome Back BBQ Co-Chairs



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## **Photo Day**

Please put on your calendars that Photo Day is September 21<sup>st</sup>. Students are expected to wear full winter uniform with Blazers. Sweaters are suitable for primary students.

Photo retake day will be on October 19th.

## Volunteering at Southridge

Did you know that many of the things that make our school great depend on volunteers? Volunteering gives you a wonderful glimpse into the world of your child, and is a great way to give back to the Southridge community.

Volunteers are needed for playground supervision, library, hot lunch, the baking committee, hospitality, and lost and found. These positions follow a schedule, and you can let the coordinators know what frequency would work best for you (weekly, biweekly, monthly):

Playground Supervision: Interested in seeing your children at play during lunch? Volunteer as a playground supervisor! Playground Supervisors have the important job of ensuring that our kids are kept safe on the playground. Choose which day or days of the week work for your schedule, and how often you would like to volunteer (from 1 day a month to twice a week). On-Call Playground Supervisor positions are also available if you can't commit to a schedule but would like to help out when you can. Please sign up online and contact <a href="mailto:ianpovey@gmail.com">ianpovey@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:tracy.povey@gmail.com">tracy.povey@gmail.com</a> for more information.

**Library:** With 80 library shifts a week there is always room for more volunteers! Please consider lending a hand in the Junior Library once a month or more. We still have a lot of spots to be filled, especially morning shifts. Each shift is either in the morning from 8:00 am to 11:30 am, or in the afternoon, from 11:30 am to 3:00 pm. Contact Teanna Moe at Southridgeirlib@hotmail.com for more information.

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**Bakers:** Calling all bakers! Are you looking for a volunteer position that you can do at home? If you are a busy parent who can't always be on-site to volunteer, the Southridge Baking Committee is the perfect position—you can even bake ahead and freeze it! We provide home-baked goods to the faculty at the Junior and Senior Schools each Friday morning. With enough volunteers, most committee members end up baking only 4-5 times over the year. Contact <a href="Vanessa.Lapointe@shaw.ca">Vanessa.Lapointe@shaw.ca</a> for more information. Happy baking!

**Hospitality:** We are in need of hospitality volunteers to assist with providing coffee and treats when required for events such as the coffee mornings and Open House in the Junior School. Volunteers help with preparing the setup and take down at the end of the event or meeting. Please contact Sejal Shah at <a href="mailto:sejal@shatex.com">sejal@shatex.com</a>.

We are also looking for volunteers for hospitality events in the Senior School—if you are interested please sign up online!

**Lost and Found:** We are looking for one volunteer to come in on Fridays at 11:45 for about 30 minutes, and periodically pop in during the week to tidy and sort the lost and found closet. The position also includes washing unlabeled clothing once a week.

\*Reminder: please ensure all items are clearly labelled. The Junior School lost and found cabinet is located near the exit to the playground. Valuable items such as eyeglasses, jewelry, and watches will be held at the junior school office.

**Terry Fox Run:** On September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Southridge Junior School students will participate in our annual Terry Fox Run, with all donations going to the Terry Fox Foundation. We need parent volunteers as course monitors—please sign up online under "School Events."

#### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Similar to previous years, volunteer positions are posted online through the Parent Portal, and you can sign up today through the Volunteer Corner (found on the left side



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menu bar), and then by clicking on the orange "Volunteer Now" button! <a href="https://registration.campbrain.com/Portal/Login">https://registration.campbrain.com/Portal/Login</a>

**Criminal Record Check:** Please remember that some positions require you to submit a completed Criminal Record Check. If you have submitted one in previous years, you do not need to re-submit one (they expire every 5 years). If you are new this year, or have not submitted one previously, please do so as soon as possible.

Criminal Record Check Form

**Driver's Abstract:** If you are planning on driving students on a field trip or sports trip this year, you must submit your Driver's Abstract and have a Criminal Record Check on file at the school. Driver's Abstracts expire every year. You can request a copy of your Driver's Abstract by calling 1-800-663-3051 (have your Driver's License number ready), and they will email it to you. You can then forward it via email to drivers@southridge.bc.ca.

More information about these processes can be found in the Parent Portal under "Volunteer Corner." If you have any questions about volunteering at Southridge, please don't hesitate to contact the Volunteer Committee at volunteer@southridge.bc.ca.

Thank you so much for volunteering at Southridge and keeping our strong tradition of volunteer support alive!

Volunteer Committee

#### **Annual Letter from CAIS**

Please read the attached letter from CAIS (Canadian Accredited Independent Schools) about the value of CAIS membership.

## Southridge Café

The Southridge Café is now open for another year. Please see the attached menu for September  $12^{th} - 16^{th}$ .

We look forward to welcoming you to our newly renovated café.

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#### **Used Uniform Sale**

The Grade 12 Grads will be hosting their Used Uniform Sale on September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in the Great Hall of the Junior School from 2:30-4:30pm. If you have any donations of used uniform items that you would like to donate to the grads fundraising, please bring them to the senior school attention: Heather Mosher <a href="mailto:html">html</a> hosher@southridge.bc.ca

Thank you for your support!

**Grad Committee** 

## **Uniform Shop News**

Please be advised of the following opening hours of the Uniform Shop:

Monday to Thursday 7:45am – 9:00am

2:00 -4:00 pm

Closed on Fridays

As it is usually very busy at the beginning of the school year, there may be line-ups and your patience is greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing you again,

Phala Tan Business Services Manager



# How does Photo Day work?

anytime, anywhere and on any device



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SEP 21 SEP

ORDER BY THIS DAY

FOR **FASTEST** DELIVERY AND FREE SHIPPING TO YOUR SCHOOL

SEP 28



ORDERS SHIPPED TO SCHOOL

OCT 5



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**OCT 19** 



FOR **FINAL** DELIVERY AND FREE SHIPPING TO YOUR SCHOOL

OCT 26



TO YOUR SCHOOL

NOV 2



View and order your images online



24 HOURS

View and order your images online



HOME DELIVERY

All orders received after this day will be mailed and are subject to shipping charges.

#### NEW

#### **HOW TO ORDER**



- 1. Click on ORDER ONLINE
- 2. Click on SCHOOL DAY PHOTOS
- 3. Select your SCHOOL → Enter Your STUDENT NUMBER Find it on your school timetable or on last year's ID card

#### NEW

#### **CREATE YOUR OWN PACKAGE**



# BUY MORE & PAY LESS PER SCHOOL PHOTO

- Select ANY School Photo Size & Style
- Be in the School Yearbook
- FREE School ID/GoCard





EVERY STUDENT WILL BE PHOTOGRAPHED FOR THE SCHOOL YEARBOOK AND THEIR PERSONAL ID / GOCARD



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#### September 2016

#### Dear Southridge Parent:

I would like to congratulate you on choosing Southridge, a member of Canadian Accredited Independent Schools (CAIS).

A study published by the Fraser Institute in July reported that Canada is home to just under 2,000 independent schools. You should know that only 90 of these commit to meeting the 12 National Standards of CAIS. I am often asked why there are not more CAIS schools. The answer is simple.

Southridge, like all CAIS schools, has made a decision to go above and beyond the provincial requirements and seek out the highest international standards in all areas of program and operations. All schools are busy places, so this decision requires a focused commitment to take the time to research best practices, reflect on areas of strength and opportunity, and then be open to a peer review. Most independent schools cannot or have chosen not to make this commitment. But CAIS schools not only meet the rigorous CAIS standards but are committed to and strive for constant improvement.

When I tour our CAIS schools, I am continually impressed by the passion for learning – both the students and the faculty are authentic in their desire to learn. These are inspirational communities! As a parent, I challenge you to ask your children's teachers what they learned this summer, and I promise you will hear about great books and programs that will help to provide a great year for the students. Our CAIS Leadership Institute alone welcomed over 200 faculty from 50 schools this July – how amazing to see such a commitment to cutting-edge educational research, and this was during a heat wave!

Something else strikes me when I tour our CAIS schools. I have recently become acquainted with the work of the Search Institute, and its work on the developmental relationships framework. There are 20 actions that make a relationship developmental. You can read all about this on the Institute's website, but for now, consider the five categories of actions:

- 1. Express care
- 2. Challenge growth
- 3. Provide support
- 4. Share power
- 5. Expand possibilities

Our schools are full of passionate teachers who develop positive relationships with students. They go above and beyond to improve the way students learn. What always impresses me most is the efforts our teachers take to make all of our students feel welcomed, inspired and loved. I am using that last word very intentionally, knowing that it is a powerful word. When I tour our schools and see the connections between students and teachers and staff members, I see love. That is a real differentiator that makes CAIS schools outstanding.

Our world needs more of these deep connections between people. Technology is shaping the way we understand the world – from Pokémon GO, and the rise in online educational opportunities, to using technology to help children learn and

flourish in our schools. Our CAIS schools believe in being reflective and intentional when using technology, understand that technology is a complement to education and learning, not an end in itself, and strive to prevent technology from interfering with deep people connections.

The combination – of technology and innovation, with a community of passionate learners who know each student individually, and a celebration of history and traditions – makes Southridge special.

You have a choice of where to send your child, and sending your child to a CAIS school is a major decision. I hope that you feel you have made the right investment in your choice of school, so that you are true partners is raising children who go on to pursue their passions and become a positive force in the world.

I wish you and your family the very best for this academic year.

Sincerely,

Anne-Marie Kee

**CAIS** Executive Director

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# Hot Lunch Program

### 2016-2017

Our ordering system is going green! Instead of filling out a paper order form, parents will place their child's hot lunch order online using Munchalunch.com!

Please follow these simple instructions.

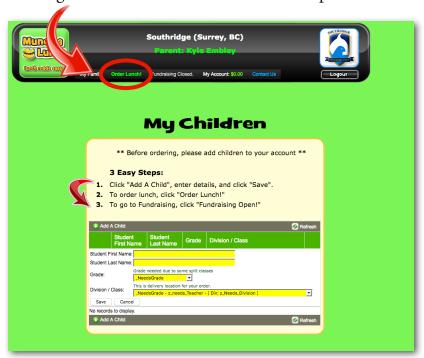
Simply visit

# www.munchalunch.com/schools/southridgesurrey

Click the "Register Here" button and follow the prompts



After adding your child/children's name, grade and class, click the green "Order Lunch" button at the top of the screen



There are 6 hot lunch menus: Pizza, Chicken Strips, Macaroni & Cheese, Hamburgers, Perogies & Souvlaki. Beginning October 5th, the meals are served every Wednesday on a six week cycle.

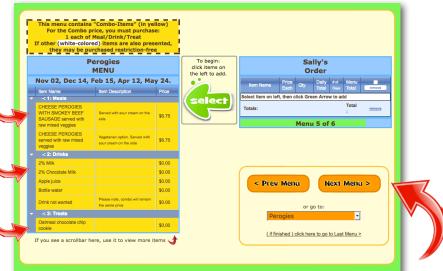
To order from a menu you must select a combo:

Click on one item from the "Meal" catagory

Click on one item from the "Drinks" category

This menu contains "Combo-lite for the Combo price, you must sealed of Meal Drinks It other (white-colored) Items as they may be purchased resulting may b

Click on one item from the "**Treats**" category.

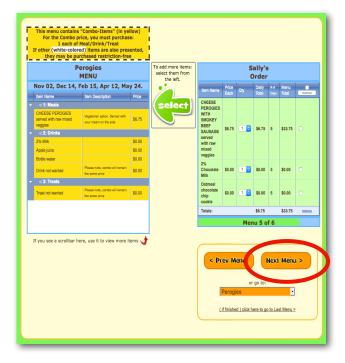




PLEASE NOTE: You do not have to order from every menu. For example, if your child does not eat Pizza and he/she does not wish to participate in Hot Lunch that day simply hit "Next Menu"

Once you select your three items from the menu they will be highlighted in green.

When you are happy with your selection click the green "Add" button.



Your order will now be shown on the right hand side of the screen.
To continue press "Next Menu"
Complete all 6 menus and review your summary.



When you arrive at the My Account Balance page hit the "Pay Now" button.

This will take you to the Payment Details page. Here you will see the following

#### **IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:**



Please submit your cheque to the Junior School front desk by

Thursday, September 29th to ensure your child's order is processed.

The cheque must be made payable to CANUEL CATERERS.

It is also essential that your cheque has your unique

OrderIDs number on the memo line.

This page will also display an example cheque with your unique OrderIDs Number and the total amount due.

Cheque must include your unique OrderIDs number!





Once your online order is complete you will receive an email confirmation.

If you have any problems at all, please contact your Hot Lunch Chairs:

Gabe Embley - gabe.embley@yahoo.ca

Cindy Moreno - cindyvisnjak@hotmail.com

	Mon-12	Tues-13	Wed-14	Thur-15	Fri-16			
Breakfast	Apple/Cinn Muffin	Smoothie Day	Sausage Wrap	Cheese Scone	Smoothie Day			
Chef's Entree	Butter Chicken	Salad Bar	Lemongrass Chicken	Salad Bar	Fish & Chips			
Pasta Bowl	Cheese Tortellini	Chicken Penne	Pasta Alfredo	Beef Ravioli	Macaroni & Cheese			
Grill Central	Smokie w/ Grilled veg	Hot Chicken Wrap	Pizza	Sweet Chili Thai wrap	Chicken Pizza Wrap			
Weekly Panini	Turkey Bacon Ranch	Turkey Bacon Ranch	Turkey Bacon Ranch	Turkey Bacon Ranch	Turkey Bacon Ranch			
Great Greens	Grain Salad	Fruit Salad	Pasta Salad	Chefs Salad	Tossed Salad			
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