



The Midpointe

News and opinion for Southpointe Academy families

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A VERY SPECIAL WEEKEND FOR OUR 2010 GRAD FAMILIES!

Last Saturday evening our 2010 Grad Class with their Parents, Siblings, Faculty & Guests came together to spend a magical evening at the Pan Pacific Hotel in Coal Harbour!

It is always such a special moment when the Grads first arrive at the Hotel in all of their finery. Somehow, even the weather managed to deliver brilliant sunshine for our official photographs taken on the Harbour Terrace of the Hotel. The evening was filled with wonderful conversation, dancing, a delicious buffet and a very touching speech from our Valedictorian, Scott Stanger!

The Grad Ball marks the beginning of the final stretch for the Graduating Class of 2010.

We look forward to the final ceremonies culminating with the Commencement Ceremony on June 25th!



Snapshots from last week's Dessert Theatre



SCHOOL NEWS

SOUTHPOINTE'S AMAZING RACE



Please
bring
donations
for the
class
baskets!



Fabulous
Prizes!
including
"Best
Costume"



Steak &
Salmon
BBQ



Gather
up your
friends!

& Dinner at
Beach Grove Golf Course

Last Week to Register your Team

We know you're out there!

Please make your payments asap!

Sign up as a Team

Or

We can place you in a Team!

SOUTHPOINTE ACADEMY'S
AMAZING RACE

REGISTRATION FORM

Date: June 4th, 2010

Time: Registration at 4:30 pm

Race Starts: 5:00 pm

Location: Beach Grove Golf and Country Club

BBQ Dinner at Beach Grove Golf Club to Follow Race

Cost: \$70.00 per Person



Team Name

Team Member Name Telephone Cell Email

*NEED HELP JOINING A TEAM? - WE CAN HELP YOU!

Sports Day 2010



Who: Pre K- Grade 7, Grade 8DS student organizers

When: Wednesday June 2nd, 10am-2pm

Where: Winskill Artificial Turf Field, Tsawwassen

Important Reminders:

- Students are to arrive at school at 8:05am for regular school programming. The bus will be transporting the students to and from Winskill field. At the end of Sports Day, students may leave directly from the field if they are accompanied by a parent and have let their homeroom teacher know that they will not be on the bus returning to school.
- Students who leave with their parents, but would normally take the school bus home must notify the Front Office.
- Students must arrive at school in their Southpointe PE uniform (Island t-shirt, shorts, runners, white socks), Sunscreen and hats are highly recommended.
- Students are required to bring a bag lunch and water bottle.
- Any parents wishing to volunteer may contact the PE office.



HEALTH NEWS



Enjoy the Summer!

With summer vacation around the corner we have a welcome break in school and work routines. Be careful not to fall into a summer slump Kick-off the summer right by eating healthy, staying active and living smoke-free.

- Be a role model. Enjoy a variety of healthy foods at regular meal and snack times.
- Eat together more often. It's true - families that eat together, eat better!
- Get out and enjoy the sunshine!
 - Play a friendly game of 2 on 2 basketball
 - Take a walk in the park
 - Get everyone involved in the gardening work
 - "Activate" a trip to the park by scheduling in some Frisbee action
 - Go for a family hike or bike
 - Spend less time in front of the screens (TV and computer)
- If you smoke, consider quitting - visit www.quitnow.ca

Eat Well...Be Active...Live Tobacco Free.



GYP NEWS

In addition to the many offers **Cobi Yu** and **Bryson Dodwell** received, they also heard this week that Waterloo offered them a place in their Honours Engineering Program.



Congratulations to **Sarpreet Sekhon** and **Brian Yoo** who both received \$3500 scholarships to SFU. They have both decided, however, to attend UBC.

Bryson, along with approximately 20 to 25 singers, violin players, piano players, and other musicians, auditioned for the Dogwood District Authority Award hosted each year at St. George's. Bryson set up his drums, played two solos, and was awarded \$1000 for his performance. Bryson has been accepted to UBC, McGill, Waterloo, U of T, and Queen's Engineering programs. Bryson is currently deciding between McGill and UBC.



Susie Yoo, grade 10, entered as a senior delegate in the B.C. string instrumentals and won first place in the B.C. provincials.

Congratulations, Susie!

Submitted by Susan Kirkwood

GYP ART SHOW

TONIGHT!

In the Courtyard

Viewing of Art & Reception	6.30pm
Welcome & Student Presentation	7:00pm
Student adjudication	7:15pm
Judge's verdict	7:20pm

“Come join the GYP Students for a glass of punch as you admire the art work presented.”



Photo: Iman Virji

SOUTHPOINTE ACADEMY GYP ART SHOW

**OPENING RECEPTION
MAY 27TH
AT
SOUTHPOINTE ACADEMY
6:30 PM**

GYP EXAMS – JUNE 2010

DATE & TIME	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Thursday, June 10 9:00 AM	SCIENCE		ENGLISH	FRENCH SPANISH
Friday, June 11 9:00 AM		SOCIALS	CHEMISTRY	ENGLISH LIT.
Monday, June 14 9:00 AM	SOCIALS		FRENCH SPANISH	CHEMISTRY
Tuesday, June 15 9:00 AM	ENGLISH		PHYSICS	BIOLOGY
Wednesday, June 16 9:00 AM 1:00 PM	FRENCH SPANISH		BIOLOGY	HISTORY PHYSICS
Thursday, June 17 9:00AM	MATH	FRENCH SPANISH	MATH	MATH
Friday, June 18 9:00AM				FRENCH & SPANISH (Oral)
Monday, June 21 9:00 AM 1:00 PM				PHYSICS MATH
Tuesday, June 22 9:00 AM 1:00 PM			SOCIALS	ENGLISH
Wednesday, June 23 9:00 AM 1:00 PM		ENGLISH		CHEMISTRY ENGLISH LIT. HISTORY
Thursday, June 24 9:00 AM 1:00 PM				FRENCH BIOLOGY
Friday, June 25 9:00 AM		SCIENCE		
Monday, June 28 9:00 AM		MATH		
Tuesday, June 29 9:00 AM				SPANISH

* **BOLD TYPE = Provincial Exam**

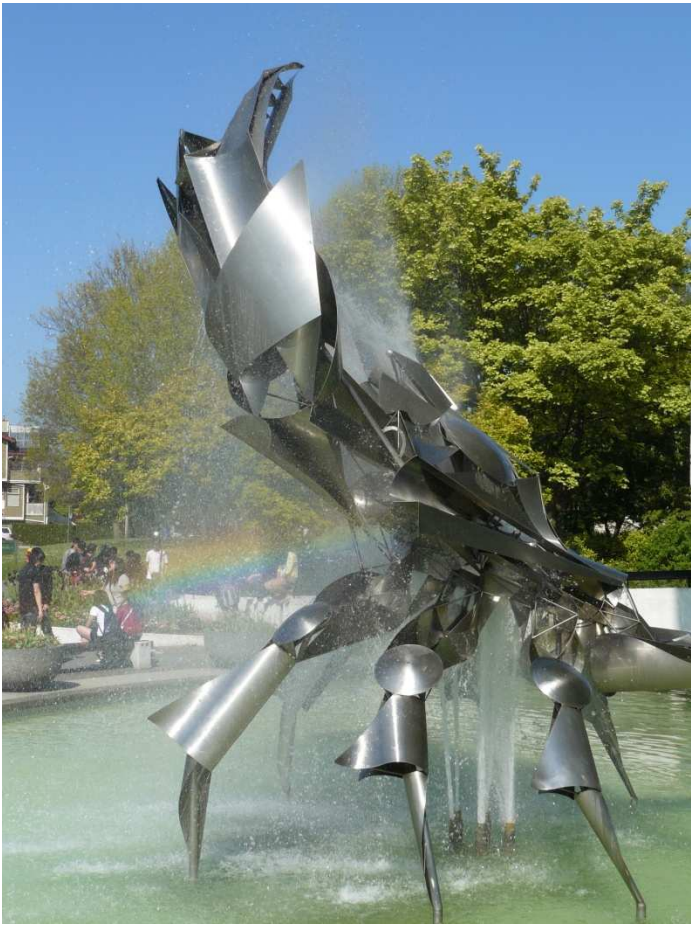
MYP NEWS

GRADE 7- SOCIAL STUDIES FIELD TRIP

On May 13th both Grade Seven classes ventured out to the Vancouver Museum to perform various archeological digs, take part in the evaluation of ancient artifacts, and to observe a real mummy! When we got to the museum we were led into a room with various sand pits and archeological instruments. Each group was then assigned a pit with different tools and were instructed to dig in a designated area and answer a series of questions based on the artifacts we found. For example, my group was assigned to dig in a pit titled "ROMAN CIVILIZATIONS". We then dug up our artifacts and used secondary sources to uncover more information about our objects, which we realized after much investigation was an oil-lamp, the sculpture of a foot and a mask. We then moved on to see the most interesting and intriguing artifact of them all: the MUMMY! We then piled into a darkly lit room with a glass case in the center and inside of that case was a 2,000 year old mummy! After our wonderful tour guide gave us some background information about this mummy, we learned that he was a 10-year-old boy that was struck in the back of his head causing his death. All in all, this was a worth while experience and seeing a real live (dead!) mummy is a memory that will last a lifetime!

Submitted by Aliyyah Jafri (7TM)





MYP EXAMS – JUNE 2010

DATE & TIME	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Thursday June 10 8:30 AM	SCIENCE	FRENCH	SCIENCE
Friday June 11 8:30 AM	FRENCH	ENGLISH	MATH
Monday June 14 8:30 AM	ENGLISH	MATH	SOCIALS
Tuesday June 15 8:30 AM	MATH	SOCIALS	ENGLISH
Wednesday June 16 8:30 AM	SOCIALS	SCIENCE	FRENCH

Note:

- 1. Final school exams will be 2 hours in length and no one is allowed to leave early. Students will be given an additional 30 minutes to complete each exam, if they need it.**
- 2. All exams will be written in the homeroom classes.**
- 3. Some students with IEP's will be writing their exams in the ILC.
Please see Alysha Kothlow & Christy Ukranitz for more details.**
- 4. There will be regular bus service until the afternoon of June 17th.**

Southpointe Academy
presents the musical

Dragon!

by Kane and Kane



Tuesday, June 1st, 2010

1:30 PM

South Delta Baptist Church

FYP NEWS

GRADE 4 - PROJECT DISCOVER

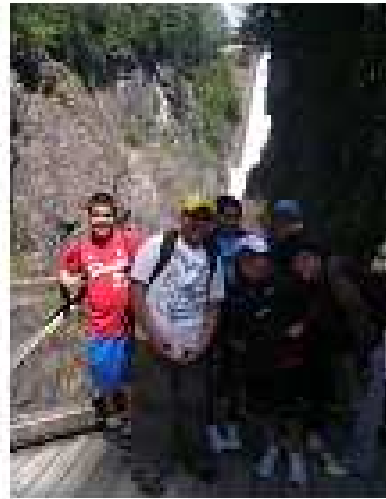
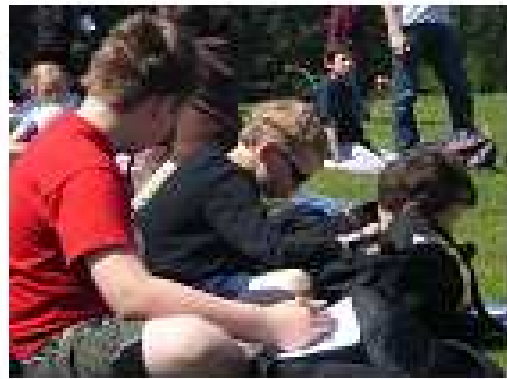
On May 13 and 14, 2010, the Grade 4 class was treated to beautiful weather and scenery at Camp Capilano; the first outdoor and overnight excursion in the "Project Discover" Program at Southpointe. This year's class of twenty-four energetic and inquisitive students made the most of their time and experience on the North Shore. Students trekked on guided hikes through trails in the Capilano Watershed, visited the Salmon Hatchery, observed the magnitude and power of the Cleveland Dam, learned about the natural environment and organisms of a temperate rain forest, and played the best game ever, "Camouflage".

Nature Interpreters from the GVRD joined us during our first afternoon to best teach us how to observe using all of our senses (yes, even taste) when walking through the forest. Brave and curious students gently rolled logs to discover different "crawlers" such as millipedes and salamanders. We learned how to integrate things that we learned in our classroom about the First Nations close relationship with the environment and how structural adaptations exist in plants and animals. Grandfather Capilano introduced himself and without saying a word, impressed us all. ("He" is a Douglas fir tree over 5 centuries old.)

In the evening, we sat down to enjoy dinner together and later on there was a campfire and smores. We sang songs and pondered all that happened that day. The next morning, we awoke to sunshine and the sweet songs of many forest birds. We had breakfast and played some games before getting ready to return home.

The bus ride back to Tsawwassen allowed us all one more chance to reflect on Project Discover 2010. The smiles, the dirty faces, the tired but happy eyes all told the tale that this outdoor education opportunity was a great experience for all!

Submitted by Ms. Santry



The 2nd Annual FYP Artist Trading Cards Exhibition

at the Tsawwassen Public Library

Friday, May 28th

3:30-5:00pm

Closing Celebration

Come enjoy the Art!!!!

Tea, coffee, juice & cookies served!

Directions to the Library: 1321 56th Street

Head up 56th Street

Turn right at 12th Avenue

Turn right at 55th Street

Turn right at Library Avenue



Ms. Cook's Grade 2 Scientists Discover Flubber-Like Substance!



Last week, Ms. Cook's Grade 2 Scientists were given two liquids. One liquid was green and the other liquid was clear with little white pieces sitting at the bottom.

What would happen when they put these two liquids together?

The scientists observed, made hypotheses and carried out the experiment. Here is what they discovered....



Ms. Cook's Grade 2 Scientists Discover Flubber-Like Substance!!



Submitted by Ms. Cook

THE FURTHER
ADVENTURES OF
SOUTHPOINTES
GRADE TWOS...

THE ROCK MOUNDS!

ROCKS ARE
REALLY
INTERESTING!



MRS. LANGNER
HELPED US
SORT THEM.



ROCKS...
SO MUCH
FUN!



HEY! THE
DENSITY IS
DIFFERENT!



AND IF WE RUB
IT JUST SO,
MAYBE A GENIE
WILL COME OUT...



THIS IS
INTERESTING!



OOHH! IT'S
MAGNETIC.



LOOK AT THAT
PILE OF ROCKS!



WITH A
MAGNIFYING
GLASS YOU
CAN SEE
BETTER.



SPORTS NEWS

TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS

54.21! Personal Best Time!

Hameet Dhillon Storms Back with a Vengeance!

Hameet battles back in the 400m to run an incredible 54.21 seconds!... a personal best and third place finish at the Fraser Valley Track and Field Championships! Hameet has qualified for the BC High School Track and Field Championships held at Swanguard Stadium on June 4th and 5th. After coming in a respectable 11th in the 200meter final, he was determined to make the top 5 in the 400meters. Hameet dug deep inside himself during his 400meter heat and executed the perfect race. He ran 54.80 in the 400meters in a very competitive heat managing fourth which automatically qualified him for the 400meter final later that day. Only a few hours later, Hameet summoned all his strength in the 400meter final to produce an astounding 54.21seconds (only 11 seconds off the World Record) which is a school record and one of the very best 400meter times in the province to date! His next meet be the BC Track and Field Championships at Swanguard Stadium where Hameet will aim for a top three finish!

Stay tuned! We all wish Hameet the best of luck at this meet as it is a highly competitive competition which attracts the very best runners in the province. We should all take a moment to recognize his success and congratulate him on his stellar performances to date. Hameet's 400m result exemplifies how adversity, perseverance, determination and hard work led to success. Go Hameet!

In other Track and Field news...the BC Elementary Track and Field Championships are only a few days away. This meet represents the climax of Track and Field competitions since it showcases all the top BC Elementary School track and field athletes at one meet. Southpointe looks to our 30 strong athletes to come up big at the BC Championships, which take place over three days: May 28th, 29th and 30th. The Elementary track and field athletes have worked tremendously hard over the last few months and are hoping to bring their best performance to the meet! We wish them the best of luck! Go Titans!

On behalf of Southpointe Academy and fellow teachers I would like to take this opportunity to thank the **MANY** parent volunteers that have spent arduous hours after school, helping at track practices, and dedicating their entire weekends to watch their children run, throw and jump at various track venues across the Lower Mainland. This Track and Field team would not be possible without the help and support of the parents! **THANK YOU!**

Submitted by Mr. Simpson

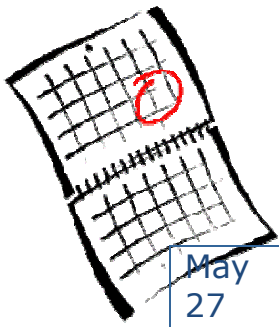
The last official Track and Field practice will take place today, Thursday May 27th. Only athletes competing at the BC Elementary Track and Field Championships should come to this practice. The reason for this is to enable coaches to spend more coaching time with athletes that are hoping to achieve their best result this weekend.

Tristan Simpson and Andrea Locke



SPORTS CALENDAR

May 28 Friday	B.C. Elementary Track Meet – begins at 4:30pm
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CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

May 27 – June 10

May 27 Thursday	<p>Grades 6 – 9 “Math Wasp Contest”</p> <p>9:00am – 2:30pm – Kindergarten Field Trip to Bloedel Conservatory</p> <p>6:30 – GYP Art Show Opening Reception – Main School Building</p>
May 28 Friday	<p>Theme Day – “Start your Engines” Wear Black & White and bring a “Toonie”.</p> <p>Hot Dog Lunch for all!</p> <p>3:30 – 5:00pm - FYP Trading Card Exhibition at the Tsawwassen Library</p>
June 1 Tuesday	1:30pm – 3:00pm FYP MUSICAL “DRAGON” at the Church
June 2 Wednesday	“SPORTS DAY” FOR PRE K – GRADE 8 at Winskill Park
June 4 Friday	“THE AMAZING RACE” 4:30pm Start
June 5 Saturday	MYP & GYP Band to “Music in the Park” Music Festival, in Seattle for the day.
June 7 Monday – Wednesday	Grade 5 – Project Discover to Brackendale
June 7 Monday	<p>9:40am – 11:20am - Grade 3 Field Trip to the Earthwise Eco Garden in Boundary Bay</p> <p>7:00pm – Summer Concert</p>
June 8 Tuesday	7:30am – Volunteer’s Soiree at Gunn House
June 9 Wednesday	<p>10:00am – MYP Awards Assembly at the Church</p> <p>2:00pm – GYP Awards Assembly at the Church</p>
June 10 Thursday	<p>MYP & GYP Exams Begin</p> <p>9:00am – 2:30pm – Grade 1 Field Trip to the Greater Vancouver Zoo</p>