

Bulkley Valley Christian School

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Vision Statement

Our goal is to prepare young people to live fully for God with the ability to understand, evaluate, and transform the world from the foundation of God's infallible Word, the Bible.

From the Principal by Chris Steenhof

Welcome back to another year at Bulkley Valley Christian. As a staff we hope that your summer was a time of relaxation, refreshment, and rejuvenation, whether you spent time travelling or stayed in the valley with its beautiful weather and warm temperatures. We trust your children are ready to enter another school year with its possibilities, joys, and challenges.

This summer my wife and I became grandparents to twin girls in early July. What a blessing from God to experience new life in this context, watching your own children become parents. It was pure joy to spend much of the summer cuddling and feeding these precious gifts from God.

August begins the process of thinking about the upcoming school year. We welcome new students, those coming into kindergarten and the others in a variety of grades. It's great to have some new students at the high school level and it was a joy to speak to them about our school and the possibilities here. As a leadership team, we spend time thinking individually about the vision and direction of the school, completed readings on specific areas of school leadership, and considered ways in which BVCS can fulfill its mandate by being a place where students learn about God's world with passion.

As we enter the school year, we once again covet your prayers for a successful year for students, teachers, support staff, board, parents and all those who form the team of BVCS. We also ask for your support for our staff, our programs, new initiatives, special events, and other happenings that make BVCS a busy and exciting place. We also value your thoughts, opinions, and ideas, especially when offered with the purpose of helping us improve our program and practice.

We are blessed with a stable and committed staff once again. For the upcoming school year there are very few changes to our teaching staff.

- Debbie Groot and Annie Van Damme will be job sharing in Grade 3/4.
- Klaas Kort will be teaching Grade 5/6 and Grade 7-9 band.
- Helengrey Dobrenski is now 100% Director of Educational Support Services.
- Monique Vanderwart will be the Vice Principal as well as teaching in the elementary school. She also assumes the role of Distributed Learning principal.

We have also hired four SEAs for next year: Debbie Leach, Sarah McDonough, Andre Fuellbrandt, and Michaela Van Veldhuizen. We welcome them to our staff.

So together with all of our staff, we want to encourage all to begin the school year with focus, energy, a renewed commitment, and a passion for learning about and experiencing God's world.

2017/2018 School Year

Merit Roll - Average of 2.5 or better for effort

Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Mary Haile	Chris Bandstra	Charisa Barendregt
Tanisha Holtvluwer	Joshua Boone	Sarah McDonough
Kenya Nisbett	Jake Groot	Jordan Monn-Dsangar
Kiera Nisbett	Lexa Steenhof	Erin Nanninga
Araceli O'Coffey	Leona VanWeerthuizen	Tahlia Waddle
Hudson Olesiuk		
Miranda Stolte		
Martina Vandenberg		

Honor Roll

First Class - Overall course average of 86% or higher

Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Mary Haile	Lexa Steenhof	Tahlia Waddle
Tanisha Holtvluwer	Leona VanWeerthuizen	
Araceli O'Coffey		
Miranda Stolte		
Martina Vandenberg		

Second Class- Overall course average of 75% - 85%

Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Ben Bandstra	Chris Bandstra	Charisa Barendregt
Kenya Nisbett	Joshua Boone	Emily Horton
Kiera Nisbett	Nathan Boone	Sarah McDonough
Hudson Olesiuk	Hannah Boonstra	Jordan Monn-Djasngar
Amy Olynyk	Jake Groot	Erin Nanninga
Caleb Stronks	Joe Kindrat	Jason Shan
	Shannon Stuart	Nathan Steenhof
		Noah Stolte
		Nathan Vandenberg
		Taleisha Zittlau



Governor General's Bronze Medal Award

A bronze medal is awarded to the student who achieves the highest average upon graduation from a secondary school. The average includes all grade 11 and grade 12 courses as listed on the student's official Transcript of Grades issued by the Ministry of Education.

The recipient for the 2017/2018 school year is: **Tahlia Waddle!**

BULKLEY VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2018-19

1. **All students (K- 12)** require *non-scuff* shoes for gym and inside use.
Please test them before purchasing.
2. **Grades 4-8 students**, who brought their **Bible** home for the summer, should bring them back to school in **September** (new students will be given one).
3. **Grade 8** and all new students between grades 9 and 12 are required to pay a \$50 damage deposit at the beginning of the year.

SUPPLIES TO PURCHASE:

Grade K:

- All supplies are provided
- A change of clothes
- One box of Kleenex
- Non-marking shoes – preferably Velcro if child can't tie laces

Grade 1/2:

- Kleenex
- Pencil case
- One large glue stick
- A change of clothes
- Pencil crayons (not felt markers)

Grade 2/3:

- 1 large glue stick (for Art)
- Pencil case, pencils and eraser
- One box Kleenex
- Pencil crayons (not felt markers)
- ****No pencil sharpeners please**

Grade 3/4:

- Pencil crayons (not felt markers)
- 1 large glue stick
- One box of Kleenex
- One 1- inch binder with pencil for music
- Pencil case, 1 package of pencils, eraser, sharpener
- Lined paper

Grade 5-7:

- Pencil crayons (not felt markers)
- 1 large glue stick
- One box of Kleenex
- Pencil case, 1 package of pencils, eraser and sharpener
- One 1-inch binder with pencil for band
- One 2-inch binder for other subjects
- Scientific calculator, labelled with name
- Math set
- 10 Dividers
- PE Clothes (shorts/t-shirt)
- Lined paper, pens, ruler, scissors

Grade 8-12:

- On the first day of school, students should determine, in consultation with the teacher, what supplies they need based on the courses they will be taking.
- Geometry set
- Scientific calculator, labelled with name
- **Pre-Calculus Math 11 and 12** need an approved graphing calculator.
- **Grades 7-9** French classes must have a binder with 5 dividers
- **Band & Choir:** One 1- inch black binder with a pencil
- PE clothes (shorts / t-shirt)

Students MUST have the supplies on the first day of school.

No Students are to have whiteout

Little Sunshines Playgroup starting this September



Every Monday morning, little people can bring their parents to BVCS for playtime, crafts, stories and games at the new BVCS Little Sunshines playgroup. Hosted in our preschool space, the playgroup will be a fun way for kids and parents to get to know each other and our school.

The playgroup is for kids 0 – 4 and will be coordinated by BVCS alumna Wendy Boonstra.

There is no cost to attend. This is a parent-and-tot playgroup and not a daycare—so all children must be accompanied by an adult. Little Sunshines will operate every Monday that school is in session (no holidays) from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

You can find out more at www.bvcs.ca. We'll also soon start a Facebook group from our BVCS Facebook page.



Class Lists for 2018-19

Kindergarten

Mrs. C. LaFountain

Jason Ameh
Harrison Anderson
Chetwyn Bandstra
Reece Boonstra
Kaileigh Hodson
Teagan Saffarek
Caleb Schlamp
Keenan Wisselink
David Ellis

Grade 1-2

Miss R. Vandenberg

Jewels Berube
Brooke Boonstra
Kiera Bredow
Zoey Cunningham
Ozias Fleck
Carter Harris
Marshall Hougen
Anna Koopmans
Savannah Martens
Penelope Morris
Logan Olynyk
Allie Saffarek
Sadie Tabert

Akondu Ameh
Nethenion Beaubien-Day
Kate Bree
Kiptyn Jaarsma
Quinn Martin
Kendra Van Veldhuizen
Ezra Wiebe
Gabe Wimbush



Grade 2-3

Miss M. Johnson

Kalum Anderson
Evan Boyd
Emma Butler
Nathanael Cunningham
Perez Haile

Christabel Ameh
Daniel Atkins
Emily Atkins
Nahlin Beaubien Day
Harley Boucher
Tess Cunningham
Layne Delege
Emma Hols
Abigail Horner
Dallas Koldyk
Sidney Koldyk
Katie Lo
Walker Vis

Grade 3-4

Mrs. A. VanDamme

Mrs. D. Groot

Danielle Best
Avy Boonstra
Dylan Morris
Aspen Page
Josiah Penner
Riley Van Veldhuizen
Eric Vander Wart

Kaitlyn Berube
Jack Bree
Eli Carrington-Bandstra
Xzavier Fleck
Stefan Grasmeyer
Bella Harris
Danae Jaarsma
Lofou Jada
Teagan Koopmans
Angelo Loki
Jerimy Martin
Ashley Penner
Hugo Pretorius

Grade 5-6

Mr. T. Stolte

Logan Boyd
Emma Cunningham
Marek Delege
Jacob Hols
Emilia Huxtable
Evan Jaarsma
Katelyn Knol
Sarah Lo
Phoenix Morrison
David Vander Wart
Paul Wiebe
Jesse Wimbush

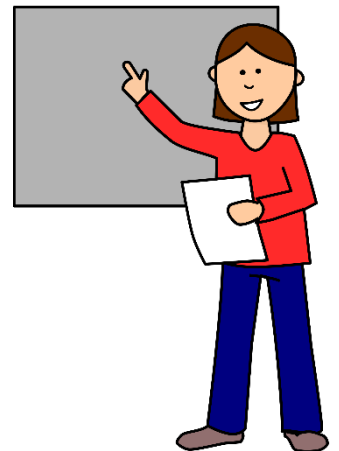
Jameel Abu
Montay Beaubien-Day
Dilon Desautels
Gracie Groot
Joshua Horner
Cassandra Jaarsma
Kai McLeod/Meerdink
Ebony Oevering
Amya Vis
Noah Wiebe

Grade 6-7

Mr. K. Kort

Ryan Bandstra
Orion Dool
Kirsten Grasmeyer
Keji Jada
Matthew Knol
Austin Martin
Elsa Nisbet
Cedar Page
Suzanne Pretorius
Daniel Woudstra

Malakai Beaubien-Day
Jaime Best
Alyssa Desautels
Benjamin Glanz
Jesse Green
Ava Koldyk
David Loki
Kamiah Nisbett
Ainslee O'Coffey
Matthew Penner
Michelle Vander Wart
Ava Wimbush
Mila Woudstra
Ben Yuen



First day of classes for September

- Grades 1-12 starts on Tuesday, September 4 beginning at 8:40 a.m. with a noon dismissal.
- Kindergarten begins on Wednesday, September 6 with noon dismissal.
- First day of preschool is Wednesday, September 5 for Wed/Fri class and Thursday, September 6 for Tues/Thurs. class. Classes are from 8:45 – 11:45 a.m. or 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Bus Schedules

The Christian School bus is not available this year.

The public school bus schedules are available on School District 54 website at www.sd54.bc.ca. If you have not handed in your Bus Student Information sheet yet, please do so on the first day of school. They are available in the office. **Please note there will be no public buses on Tuesday, September 4. Please arrange alternate transportation.**



New Janitorial Services

We welcome Barclay Henkel and his staff of NorthWestern Cleaning Services to our staff as our new janitors. They began their services at our school on July 1st.

<p><u>Board Members</u> Chairperson Warren Vandenberg Vice Chairperson Trever Morris Treasurer Mike Bandstra Corresponding Secretary Annette Onderwater Admission/Promotion Committee Brooke Bandstra Building/Grounds/ Transportation Committee..... Josh Wimbush Education Committee..... Jenn Hols Ed Boonstra Finance Committee..... Mike Bandstra Employee Relations Committee Trever Morris Secretary for the Board..... Jamie deJong</p>	<p><u>Teaching Staff Members</u> Jonathan Boone Helengrey Dobrenski Deb Groot James Horner Myrna Johnson Klaas Kort Christa LaFountain Julie Monn-Djasngar Chris Steenhof Tom Stolte Rebecca Vandenberg Monique Vander Wart Annie Van Damme Ron VanDriel John Vis</p> <p><u>Pre-School Director</u> Stephanie Olesiuk</p> <p><u>Office Staff</u> Tom Grasmeyer Glenda Posthuma Wilma Numan</p>	<p><u>Special Education Assistants</u> Tammy Atkins Karin Boone Paula Dieleman Andre Fuellbrandt Nancy Horlings Linda Jones Trish Kort Debbie Leach Sarah McDonough Margo Murphy Sylvia Ripmeester Stacey Stolte Karen Taylor Lauren Vandenberg Ted Vander Wart Carrie Van Veldhuizen Michaela Van Veldhuizen Lori Verhelst</p> <p><u>Little Sunshines Coordinator</u> Wendy Boonstra</p> <p><u>Librarians</u> Eunice Penner Sandi Franken</p>
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