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Newsletter

Dear parents/guardians,

As we have completed the second term and are heading into the Spring Break, it is time to sum up this period. Majority of students have improved their performance over this term in comparison to the first. Congratulations on your achievements! Some students have to work harder, be attentive to the requirements, and I am sure they will succeed. We ask parents to continue to be diligent with uniform requirements.

Our students participated in two Math Contests.

One was **2008 Sun Life Financial Canadian Open Mathematics Challenge**. Seven our students took part in it. It was a challenging contest!!! Two students Nachapol Dudsdeemaytha and Warisa Boonyaleephun got more than 50 % on the contest. The average Canadian result was 41/80. Warisa Boonyaleephun is awarded with the Certificate of Distinction with the result of 61/80. Congratulations to Yvonne Chang, Jacky Lin, Susana Chang, Phillip Dykman, and Helen Lin who dared to challenge themselves with this high profile math contest!

The other math contest was offered by the University of Waterloo in Ontario: **Pascal Contest** for Grade 9, **Cayley Contest** for Grade 10, and **Fermat Contest** for Grade 11. Four students from Grade 9 participated in Pascal Contest. The average was 87/150. Waralee Boonyaleephun showed the result of 102/150. She is awarded with the Certificate of Distinction. Congratulations to Mohammad Oliya (83), Deniel Ye (65) and Katya Kim (49). Four students from Grade 10 wrote Cayley Contest. The average for Cayley is 90/150. Two students got the Certificates of Distinction: Nachapol Dudsdeemaytha with 106/150 and Phillip Dykman with 101/150. Well done!!! Congratulations to Susana Chang (79) and Jacky Lin (62)!!! Warisa Boonyaleephun wrote Fermat Contest. The average was 85/150. Warisa scored 82 – very close to the average. Good job!

We wish our best math students to continue their endeavours in this field. Your achievements are amazing – keep up your hard work!!!

The essays submitted for **the Royal Commonwealth Essay 2008 competition** have been marked and essays rated Highly Commended and Commended have been forwarded to London for further consideration. Thank-you to all our students who participated; this year was especially competitive with over 100 B.C. schools participating!

Waralee Boonyaleephun ~Commended
Ekaterina Kim ~Commended Ksenia



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Michtchenko ~Commended
Tania Suarez-Mendoza ~Commended
Marina Tischenko ~Satisfactory

Wonderful job, girls!!!!

Please note that all students receive a certificate which will be presented at the Awards Ceremony being held Saturday May 2nd, 2009 at Richmond Secondary School at 2pm.

On March 12 four of our students participated in the **UBC Science Contest**. We do not know the results yet, but we are sure that the participation opens up new opportunities for them and helps to become confident in competitions. Good luck, Warisa, Nachapol, Phillip, and Susana!

On March 6 and 9 **the report cards** were issued and sent home. If for any reason you have not seen it, ask your son or daughter.

On April 1 students will write one more math contest at school: **Pythagoras** Grade 6, **Lagrange** Grade 8, and **Newton** Grade 9. We wish you a success!!!

Attention parents!!! The Pacific Institute announces the eleventh Annual Elementary Grades Math Contest **ELMACON** to be held at the UBC campus on Saturday, May 09, 2009. This contest is for students in Grades 5 to 7. If you wish to register your son or daughter, please, visit the website at www.elmacon.org. The registration closes on April 15, 2009.

School Re-registration Packages

The School Registration Package will be handed out after the Spring Break.

Mark your calendars for the **Teacher-Parent Meeting on Thursday, April 30, 2009**.

Absentee Notices

When your child is not feeling well, please call the school office before 8:30 a.m. On the first day your child returns to school, please send a note explaining his/her reason for absence, also include the dates absent.

Teachers and Administration wishes you and your sons/daughters to have a great well-deserved Spring Break. Have a great time and return full of energy to finish the school year with success!!!

With best wishes,
Mrs. Galyna Volyanska
Principal

P.S. School reopens on March 23, 2009. Students are expected to come in their uniforms.