

October 20th, 2015

West Vancouver School District No.45
Correspondence List – October 20th, 2015

Letter Date	From	To	Type	Description	Reply by	Copied To	Action
October 1 st , 2015	Carolyn Broady, Chair Chris Kennedy, Superintendent	Honourable Mike Bernier, Minister of Education	Sent.	The Chair and the Superintendent write to the Minister to extend a warm welcome to him and his team as they embark on the 2015-2016 school year. They also extend an invitation to visit West Vancouver Schools and observe the innovative programming taking place in this district.	N/A	Ralph Sultan, MLA Jordan Sturdy, MLA John Weston, MP WV Board of Education WV District Leadership Team WV Dist. Parent Advisory Council WV Administrators' Association WV Teachers' Association WV Municipal Employees' Assoc.	
October 2 nd , 2015	Ralph Sultan, MLA	Honourable Mike Bernier, Minister of Education	Recd.	MLA Sultan follows up on the letter of invitation and encourages the Education Minister to arrange a visit to West Vancouver Schools.		Carolyn Broady Chris Kennedy	
October 6 th , 2015	Sharon Thompson, on behalf of MLA Jordan Sturdy	Carolyn Broady	Recd.	The MLA's Constituency Assistant writes to say the email and letter to the Minister of Education have been provided to MLA Sturdy for his consideration.		Board of Education District Leadership Team	



October 1st, 2015

Honourable Mike Bernier
Minister of Education
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Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Bernier,

On behalf of the West Vancouver Board of Education, we would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your team as we embark on the 2015-2016 school year. We are looking forward to working with you to implement the many welcome changes in the K-12 sector that will continue to make British Columbia a world-class leader in education.

As you may have learned during the transition to your new role this summer, our district has been embracing inquiry-based learning, self-regulation and digital literacy for a number of years. We have seen many positive results using these approaches and would be honoured to share some of those success stories with you personally.

During our Opening Day ceremony, which took place at the beginning of September, we were privileged to host world-renowned educational leader Dr. Yong Zhao. Teachers and staff throughout our district found it to be an inspiring morning, and we would be pleased to share some of what we learned with you, as it is helping us frame our learning agenda for the upcoming school year.

We know from discussions with our community and business partners that there are many opportunities to enhance the powerful role that schools play in developing future leaders. Your voice on innovation in education is also critical to the success story of West Vancouver education, and we would like to invite you to visit our district and observe some of the most innovative programming in the province. We would also like to spend some time discussing your plans for implementation of the new curriculum, achievement reporting and standardized testing.

Please contact Sharon Pierce of Superintendent Kennedy's office at: 604.981.1030, spierce@wvschools.ca, to discuss this opportunity to meet and to begin sharing ideas that will benefit BC families throughout our public education system.

We would be pleased to work with your staff as well as local community, provincial, federal and business leaders to finalize the details of the visit, and we look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,



Carolyn Broady, Chair
West Vancouver Board of Education



Chris Kennedy, Superintendent
West Vancouver Schools

cc: Ralph Sultan, MLA, West Vancouver Capilano
Jordan Sturdy, MLA, West Vancouver Sea-to-Sky
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RALPH SULTAN, M.L.A.

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Min. Burnier

Mike... it would be
great if you could
schedule a visit to
SD 45 in my riding
-- by many measures
one of the top performing
school districts in
your vast domain!

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Received via Email - October 6th, 2015 in response to the letter of invitation to the Honourable Mike Bernier

Thank you for your email. I have passed it along to MLA Sturdy for his consideration.

You may very well be aware, that recently, we proudly had the exciting opportunity to tour the new Minister through SD#48 and I am happy to tell you it was both productive and enlightening to many great initiatives in that district. I am sure MLA Sturdy will do all he can to offer the same opportunity to your district.

I feel it is fair to let you know, that particular tour took over a year to orchestrate. We were given such a small amount of time to cover a huge area both regionally and philosophically but we did our best, working closely with SD#48, to keep focus to get the best possible result. I think we accomplished that.

Should this become a possibility, we look forward to working with you to ensure the same result.

All the best.

Sharon Thompson

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