

Traffic Changes Effective Monday January 15th

Effective Monday January 15th, there will be a full road closure on 15th Street between Mathers Avenue and Queens Avenue. The closure will be from **Monday to Friday**, between 7:30am to 5:30pm. Single lane alternating traffic will be in effect after work hours, and on weekends/holidays. This piece of the *BC Hydro Glenmore Voltage Conversion* project is expected to take approximately **8 weeks** to complete. A detour will be set up at Queens Avenue and Inglewood Avenue, connected by 21st Street.

This situation is beyond our control and will place additional strain on the streets around our school including those leading to nearby Elementary Schools, access to the highway, as well as our neighbours. Families will want to consider changing their habits to include, but not limited to:

- Selecting an alternate travel route
- Leaving at an earlier time
- Dropping off and picking up farther away from the school
- Avoiding Mathers Avenue whenever possible

January 15th to 17th

The full intersection at 15th Street and Mathers Avenue will be closed in all directions.

January 18th to 19th (and hopefully beyond)

Mathers Avenue both east and west will be open at 15th Street, as well as 15th Street south at Mathers Avenue.

In addition, the #257 bus route up 15th Street will be eliminated for the duration of the project. This means that students will be required to both walk up and down to Marine Drive to catch their bus.

We know that this situation is less than ideal. What is in our control is how we respond to it. Our students, and your child's safety, is paramount and any efforts you can make to lessen your vehicle impact on the area will be greatly appreciated. ***Please remember that the speed limit in all school zones is 30km/h.***

We will update families throughout the duration of this project as new information is made available to us.

With regard,

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