

Good News

March 13, 2012

Outwit. Outplay. Outlast.

Three teams from Burnaby North unleashed their imaginations and took unique approaches to problem solving at the Destination ImagiNation Regional Tournament held on March 3rd. They garnered both first and second spots in the "Hold It" competition and third in the "News" competition. All three teams will be participating in the Provincials in April and are supported by science department head, Donna Morgan.

There's No Business Like Show Business

Students and staff have been busy these past months getting prepared for their spring theatrical events.

Last week, 50 Burnaby Mountain students, under the direction of drama teacher Felicity Rudolph, staged *Hairspray*, the fun, upbeat musical production that deals with the racial and social injustice of the 60's. And true to its name, students from Alpha's ACE-IT hair-styling program provided the beehive hairdos – complete with hairspray.

This week a cast and crew of 37 Burnaby Central students will stage the production Jabberwock in the schools' new theatre. The show is produced and directed by Carol Mann.

Burnaby Schools Sports Highlights

- Suncrest Elementary grade 7 girls have won the District's Basketball Championship a first for Suncrest. Special thanks to parent coach Lisa Hegler and head teacher Dan Green.
- Moscrop boys dominated the BC High School Artistic Gymnastics Championships held at their school. The level 2 team placed first in the province while the level 2 team placed second.
- Burnaby South Rebels won the BC High School Juvenile Boys Basketball title. They were led to victory by community coach Mike Bell.
- Burnaby North student, Shirley Fu is Sport BC's Junior Athlete of the Year the first table tennis player to receive this recognition. Her coach is teacher Larry Seehagen.

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

Nelson celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday on Friday March 2nd. Teachers read books from the Dr. Seuss collection. Staff and students wore red and white for house points. And during an assembly on Wednesday, students watched the "Untold Story of Dr. Seuss!" As an extra treat, Nelsonites walked to Metropolis SilverCity on Friday morning to see the new movie, "The Lorax." This story is a special one to our grade 4 Nelson Green Team as a lorax "speaks for the trees," and helps Nelson reduce, reuse and recycle!

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Burnaby Students Pave the Way for Safe Driving Messaging

Burnaby students made quite a statement in ICBC's "Your Ad Here" contest that is designed to get youth and their peers thinking about safe driving practices.

From Burnaby North, **Nathan Lam**, placed first in the Distracted Driving category while **Bryan Eng**, placed third in the Impaired Driving category.

From Moscrop, **Ginny Tsao** placed first in the Speeding category while **Eason Lin**, placed second in the Impaired Driving category.

The awards and coveted prizes of Macs, I-pads and I-pods were handed out on March 9 with representatives from ICBC, City of Burnaby Traffic & Safety Committee, City of Burnaby Council members, Burnaby RCMP and the School District on hand to personally congratulate the winners.

Many Faces. One Community.

In 1996, the General Assembly of the United Nations proclaimed March 21 to be the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and called upon world leaders to increase efforts to eliminate all forms of racial intolerance and discrimination. To celebrate the diversity in our community, a poster that features the artwork and message of Cariboo Hill Secondary student Elizabeth Lu will be widely distributed to all Burnaby schools.