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Innovative Service Award of Excellence

The Representative for Children and Youth has selected Burnaby School District as a recipient of the Innovative Service Award of Excellence. The award recognizes that district management and teaching staff “showed a great deal of sensitivity to the culture and life-circumstances” of Tamil migrant families last year. Educational services were provided to 47 children in co-operation with the Burnaby Youth Custody Services Centre.

United Nations Connections Club wins the day

Students from Moscrop, Burnaby North and Byrne Creek represented the UN Connections Club when it presented to a recent city council meeting. At the students’ suggestion, the Mayor and Council resolved to proclaim October 24th “United Nations Day.” Not only did the Mayor express support for the students efforts to work together to promote the ideals of peace, but Council also sought to purchase a UN flag to fly on the newly proclaimed United Nations Day in Burnaby.

Canucks players build a new playground for Edmonds Community School

Manny Malhotra, Dan Hamhuis, and their families, in partnership with the Canucks for Kids Fund and Habitat Systems Inc, came together with the Burnaby School District to provide a brand new playground for Edmonds Community School. A special school assembly was held on Friday to celebrate and thank the players for their generous donation. Afterward, Daniel Sedin and Cory Schneider joined in and the four Canucks spent the day helping to install the playground.

Westridge teacher recognized for exceptional teaching

Grade 5/6 teacher, Brian Tesan (pron: tuh-SAN), is one of 17 teachers from across Canada recognized for exceptional teaching by Grand & Toy. Maral Tatanova, a parent of a former student, nominated him for the award. In addition to the attention and recognition, Mr Tesan received \$1,500 worth of classroom supplies including an ergonomic chair.