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LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION AT FOREST GROVE

Forest Grove Elementary hosted its annual Lunar New Year Celebration for students, their families, and special guests. The dragon and rhythmic dances were watched by about 250 attendees, including: Trustees, senior School District staff, the Mayor of Burnaby, a City Councillor, and dignitaries from the Education Office of the Consulate General of the People Republic of China.

Students in all grades participated in the school-wide celebration, including those in the DistrictÑs Mandarin Language Artsprogram. The program is the only one of its kind in the Lower Mainland. It runs from Kindergarten through Grade 7 and offers elementary students the chance to learn Mandarin while gaining an appreciation for another culture, which opens up their world.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN BURNABY SCHOOLS

Our schools mark Black History Month in a variety of ways. At Burnaby Mountain Secondary, students expanded their Black Student Cultural Committee this year and re-named their group REACH which stands for: Racial Equality Across Cultural Heritages. The students also put their efforts into co-coordinating two anti-racism youth symposiums with secondary students from other school districts.

At the elementary level, Edmonds Community School hosted