



# KMBR NEWS

## Westview Elementary School Opening

**September 5, 2013** - We are pleased to congratulate the Powell River School District, the students and staff of Westview Elementary School and the community of Powell River on the official Grand Opening of Westview Elementary School! An open house on August 27th saw over 1,100 visitors come to walk the halls of the new school. Reactions were described as overwhelmingly positive.

### 21st Century School Design

Along with adaptable learning spaces that support a variety of learning modalities, the new school incorporates Neighbourhood Learning Centre areas that can be accessed by the community, including:

- An early learning centre
- An enlarged gymnasium for special events
- A community kitchen
- A community walking path with outdoor exercise stations

Powell River Board of Education Trustee Doug Skinner was quoted as saying, "I think we can call it the best elementary school in the province".

### Sustainable Design

Targeting LEED Gold Certification, the school design reduces energy use through elements including access to natural light in 90% of spaces, use of regional and recycled materials in construction, and daylight/occupancy sensors.

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