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NEWSLETTER



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Happy Thanksqiving to everyone. Don't forget that Monday, October 10th is a statutory holiday and school is not in session. Friday, October 21st is a Professional Development Day.

Staff and students are grateful to be in community together at Eagle View and we wish to recognize the Lekwungen territory of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn and we do our work.

Administrator's Message

Welcome October!

October has arrived! Everyone seems more settled each day and the lingering summer sunshine has been a pleasant surprise. The changing leaves and cooler mornings remind us that Fall is upon us. We hope that everyone found time to reflect and learn on Truth and Reconciliation day. Last Thursday, we hosted our first whole school assembly which included a story read by Eagle View staff and teachings of local Indigenous greetings and an Indigenous counting game. We look forward to continuing our learning and growth at Eagle View and in our school community.

We are pleased to welcome: Mrs. Chelsea Young and Ms. Cynthia Dong who will be teaching grade 3/4; Ms. Emma Johnston who is teaching grade 2/3; and Ms. Sarah Palliser and Ms. Maryam Zadehgholam our two new EA's who have settled into our Eagle View family well.

There are changes coming to your child's report cards this year. You can find an introduction to the changes later in the newsletter.

Student leadership has started and there are many opportunities for our grade 5's to help and become involved in our school community. We have a very eager team and thank Mrs. Wiersma and Mrs. Restell for sponsoring this team. Mrs. Castellanos and Mrs. Jardim will be leading crosscountry running at recess on Tuesday and Thursday for grades 3-5. They will have two races coming up towards the end of October and early November.

Just a couple of reminders:

- Please be mindful of the parking lot and do not double park or park along the yellow curbs. We have a couple of buses that need to come and go without being blocked in.
- Please send your child to school with their own, labelled water bottles every day along with a change of clothes and indoor shoes that can remain at school. With the rainy season around the corner, rain jackets and rubber boots are highly recommended for our muddy forest and outdoor play and learning areas.

We are so grateful for everyone who took the time to connect with their child's teacher(s) at parent teacher interviews this week. If you were unable to attend we look forward to meeting with you at a later date. It has been wonderful to have families back inside the school and to feel the greater school community build back up again. A big thank you to all the teachers for their time and energies toward these meaningful conversations. It takes a team to lead your child(ren) through their educational journeys and we are thankful to be a part of an amazing community of dedicated professionals and families.

Wishing everyone a weekend filled with grateful thoughts and new family memories.

Mrs. Relf, Principal & Mrs. Beattie, Vice Principal









| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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| 3 | Popcorn Recess Fire Drill 2:00 pm | Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00 - 6:00 pm | Early Dismissal 11:50 am Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:30 - 4:30 pm | 7 Subway Fun Lunch |
| Thanksgiving Holiday | 11 | Individual Photo Day PAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 pm | 13 | 14 Pizza Hut Fun Lunch |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | Great Canadian Shake Out 10:00 am La Taquisa Fun Lunch | Professional Development Day |
| 24 | Cobs Recess | 26 | 27 | Booster Juice Fun Lunch PAC Halloween Dance 6:00 - 8:00 pm |
| 31 Black & Orange Day | | | | |

October Birthdays

Jana V, Hayden E, Malcolm R, Grace D, Lucas A, Brian L, Visal C, Oli M, Aidan R, Avery H, Harley H, Vienna K, Niya B, Jack L, Madalyn H, Haylee J, Alivia C, Shivam C, Ethan M, Alexis A, Arya S, Callum B, Maeve B, Lana S & Rose B. Happy Birthday!!



Planners and Forms and Parent Connect

Please remember to send in planner money (\$7.00), student verification and emergency release forms. Thank you to those families who have already sent them in.

Parent Connect is an essential tool to your child's education. If you have not done so please create an account and log on. On this web app you will find forms to sign and provide consent for programs like: field trips, Google classroom, use of technology, website, photo and media consent, and more. Paper forms are no longer sent home. This is also where you will eventually be able to view your child's report card.



Student Leadership

Student Leadership has started for any interested Grade 5 students. Leadership students assist in a variety of activities throughout the year: lunch monitors, morning announcements, Kindergarten playground helpers, assembly hosts, creating posters and organizing spirit days, and more! We look forward to working with our team throughout the year. Any interested Grade 5 students wanting to join can see Mrs. Restell, Mrs. Wiersma, Mrs. Relf and Mrs. Beattie.

Parent Volunteers

All parent/guardian volunteers and drivers must complete a criminal record check and submit a driver's abstract. The criminal record check can be completed online at https://justice.gov.bc.ca/crimianlrecordcheck. The school access code is **BN54MY5UEY**. Once completed the criminal record check will be sent directly to the school. The driver's abstract can be obtained by calling 250-978-8300. The sooner these documents are completed, the better. Field trips, outings and other fun classroom events requiring support require these forms!

Staying Healthy

Back to school and cooler weather upon us, often brings with it colds and flu for students, their families and staff. Please talk with your child about the importance of proper hand washing, coughing etiquette and completing a daily health check.

How to Wash Hands:

Wet hands under warm running water

Scrub with plain soap for a count of 20, all over hands and between fingers

Rinse under running water for a count of 10

Dry hands with a clean paper towel

Turn off taps with a paper towel

If your child has been home, or goes home from school with a fever, has been vomiting or has diarrhea, it is suggested that they be free from symptoms for a minimum of 24 hours before returning to school. If your child has been up in the night with any of these symptoms, please do your best to make arrangements for them to stay home until it is certain they have been healthy for at least 24 hours.

Parking Lot at Pick Up and Drop Off Times

- ⇒ DO NOT double park or park along Yellow Curbs, in the clearly marked Fire Lane, **Staff Parking**, Bus Zone or Accessible parking areas. These are unsafe locations and block the buses from entering and exiting safely and in a timely manner.
- ⇒ Parking is available on Watkiss Way. Please walk up to the school to drop off & pick up your children.
- ⇒ Some other suggestions include: walk or cycle to school, or volunteer to be a walking "school bus driver" from you neighbourhood and let neighbours know you are willing to pick up their child on the way. If you live further away, consider parking a few blocks away from the school and walking the rest of the way.



New Report Cards



A new way of assessing and reporting is occurring in the Ministry of Education and schools across the Greater Victoria School District have and are making the shift to the use proficiency scales. Eagle View is making the change, this year. We will be sharing more information prior to the end of first term, so stay tuned. Here is an introductory video about the new language that you will see on your child's

report cards this year: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nqZkiaTDXTk

Gym Equipment

If anyone has any gym equipment collecting dust in your sheds or garages, please consider donating them to the school. Outdoor equipment is in high demand and used daily and is in constant need of replenishing. We are looking to replace about 20 badminton racquets and any type of ball would be happily used. Donations can be dropped off at the school office.

Thank you to families who have previously shared items - they have been put to good use

Eagle View is Thankful



Truth and Reconciliation







Terry Fox Run

We had a very successful Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 16th. As a school we raised \$494.00 for cancer research. Way to go Eagle View! Many thanks to those who came to join us for the run.

~ News from EVE PAC ~

EVE PAC Monthly Meeting

The next monthly PAC meeting will be on **Wednesday**, **October 12 at 6:30 pm** in the school library. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Questions and ideas welcome.



SAVE THE DATE!!

Friday October 28th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm





Costume Contest!!

Categories including: best homemade, most creative, funniest, best superhero, best fairy tale, best video game and best storybook character.

And the grand prize ... Best Family/Group costumes!

\$5 Admission. Ticket sales and Concession options will be offered via our fun lunch website.

<u>All entrance and meal tickets will be pre-order only;</u> however, there will be ice cream treats and coffee available to purchase at the dance. Cash only. **Stay tuned as more meal info and links will be sent out next week.**

Due to fire code restrictions, we need to have a cap on the number of tickets to this event.

As we would like to have as many EVE students (accompanied by a parent) as we can,
we are asking families to limit their tickets to EVE students only, if possible.

First come, first served.

Please remember this is a family event and to ensure your child(ren's) costumes are appropriate for a school setting.

We also ask that your child does not bring any hand held accessories (e.g. swords, wands, weapons, etc.) to avoid anyone accidentally being hurt, or to avoid tears if costume pieces are damaged.

Volunteers Needed!!

Free admission for adult volunteers! Please visit our Signup Genius for volunteer spots that need to be filled.



