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NEWSLETTER



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Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. Don't forget that Monday, October 9th is a statutory holiday and school is not in session. Friday, October 20th 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!

As the leaves are turning colours and the cooler nights arrive, our students are growing and learning more each day. Just as your children are growing, our staff have been learning too as they continue to work on our goals around reading and writing. Learning continues in our community as well. You may have noticed several people around the neighbourhood wearing high visibility clothing. This is part of the Ready, Step, Roll program that the Capital Regional District is spear heading in conjunction with community partners to encourage walking, biking or rolling to school in a fun and safe way. Now it is your turn to do some learning. Please read the school **commute buddies brochure** that went home with your child today.

As "**safety doesn't take a vacation**", we appreciate your help by not parking on red or yellow lines. If you have to leave your vehicle, please park in a parking spot or safely on the side of the road and walk in. We have two morning busses and 4 afterschool busses that come each day and parking in un-designated places makes it difficult for them to arrive and leave safely. Also, please honour the **NO Parking** sign at the back gate as it is not a drop off area. Thank you to the many parents that are walking in from offsite, it has really made a difference to the congestion at drop off and pick up times.

We have happily added Ms. Katelyn Neily to our Eagle View Staff, She will be teaching grade 1/2, in division 8, with Mrs. Dann. She has come from Craigflower Elementary and has specialized in teaching reading to early learners. We are excited to have her join the team.

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 are leading the cross-country running at recess on Tuesday and Thursday for grades 3-5. They will have already had their first two meets! It is great to see so many out running and enjoy the fresh air!

As a reminder, 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. 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.

We hope that everyone found time to reflect and learn on Truth and Reconciliation day last Friday, and are looking forward to the upcoming Thanksgiving weekend.

Mrs. Relf, Principal & Mrs. Archer, Vice Principal





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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 Day in Lieu for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	3 Cross Country @ Lansdowne 3:45 pm	4 Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00 - 6:00 pm	5 Early Dismissal 11:50 am Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:45 - 4:30 pm	6 Subway Fun Lunch
9 Thanksgiving Holiday 	10 Cobs Recess	11 Individual Photo Day PAC Meeting 6:30 - 8:00 pm	12	13 Pizza Hut Fun Lunch
16	17 Cross Country @ Beckwith 3:45 pm	18	19 Great Canadian Shake Out 10:00 am La Taquiza Fun Lunch	20 Professional Development Day
23	24 Hi Five Chicken Fun Lunch	25 Cross Country @ UVic/Cedar Hill Corner 3:45 pm	26	27 Booster Juice Fun Lunch PAC Halloween Dance 6:00 - 8:00 pm
30	31 Black & Orange Day Popcorn Recess			

October Birthdays

Jana V, Hayden E, Malcolm R, Brian L, Visal C, Oli M, Destiny L, Autumn B, Lana S, Harley H, Vienna K, Niya B, Jack L, Madalyn H, Haylee J, Maggie M, Amritpal S, Georgia P, Alivia C, Shivam C, Hannah L, Arya S, Blakely I, Callum B, Maeve B, Harlow S & Finn R.

Happy Birthday!!

Forms and Parent Connect



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 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 and Mrs. Relf.



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. Please note: Criminal record checks are good for 5 years. If you think you may have already completed one, please check with the school office. The driver's abstract/record can be obtained by calling 250-978-8300 or going onto the ICBC website. 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

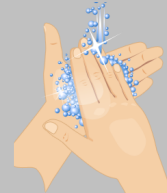
Scrub with plain soap for a count of **20**, all over hands and between fingers

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/Red 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 in the no parking area only at pick up and drop off time. Please do not park in the bike lane and then 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



Terry Fox Run

We had a very successful Terry Fox Run on Friday, September 15th. As a school we raised \$634.15 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 11 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 27th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Games, Photo Booth, Music and Dancing!

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

\$10 Admission & Dinner

Ticket sales and Concession options will be offered via our fun lunch website.

All entrance and meal tickets will be pre-order only; however, there will be ice cream treats available to purchase at the dance. Cash only.

Tickets go on sale Friday, Oct 13th!

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.



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Halloween