

Aspen Park Elementary School Newsletter

Hello Aspen Park Families,

Here are this week's information items. New items are in Yellow.

Week at a Glance

October 13	October 14	October 15	October 16	October 17
Thanksgiving – No School	Staff Meeting	Open Gym	10:45 – Shake Out BC Earthquake Drill	Open Gym
	6:30 – PAC Meeting	Strong Start		Hot Lunch
		Cross Country @ Brooklyn Elementary	Tonnie Sales	Deadline for School Supplies Payment
October 20	October 21	October 22	October 23	October 24
Open Gym		Open Gym	Tonnie Sales	Pro-D Day (No School)
		Strong Start		
		Photo Retake Day		
		Cross Country @ Airport		

Upcoming dates to note:

- October 31 Halloween
- November 6 ICBC Pedestrian Safety
- November 11 –No School (Remembrance Day)
- November 20 Parent Teacher Conferences
- December 16 Winter Concert
- December 19 Last Day Before Winter Break

Pop-Up Toonie Sales

Our Grade 6/7 students are excited to announce that they will be once again hosting *Pop-Up Toonie Sales* every Thursday after school! Each week, you can find them set up in the foyer selling frozen treats OR popcorn for just \$2 each. All money raised will go directly toward supporting their year-end field trip. Thank you for helping our Grade 6/7 students reach their goal and making their final trip of the year a memorable one.

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Next Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting is Tuesday, Oct 14 at 6:30 in the Multipurpose room. Come join us for some snacks, good company, and contribute to our wonderful school's community. At this meeting we will be going over and approving the PAC's spending for the year. If you have any questions, please reach out to aspenpac@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

PAC is also looking for a new secretary. If anyone is interested, please reach out to aspenpac@gmail.com"

Helping Keep Our School Healthy

We want to thank families for helping keep our school community healthy. A friendly reminder that if your child is feeling unwell, it is best to keep them home to rest and recover. This helps prevent the spread of illness and ensures that all students can enjoy a safe and positive learning environment. We appreciate your continued support and care for our school community.

School Supplies

For the 2025-2026 school year Aspen Park Elementary will be providing basic school supplies to students in Kindergarten to grade 7. Instead of parents purchasing individual sets of supplies, families provide money to the school and the school will purchase supplies for each student. This approach will ensure equity and equality among all students and will save parents time (no shopping!) and money (ordering in bulk, our discount on school supplies is significant). The only items parents will have to provide are a backpack, a lunch bag, and appropriate shoes for gym.

Grade 1 to grade 7 the fee will be \$40 Kindergarten fee will be \$30

The office will accept cash, cheque, or e-transfer. Fees are due no later than October 17th. Those who are choosing the e-transfer option, you can send the transfer to AspenPark@sd71.bc.ca. Please make sure you include the following message: **School Supplies-Student(s) Name**

Pictures













Community Information

New QuitNow Vaping Prevention Resource

<u>QuitNow</u> has launched a new <u>youth-focused resource</u> designed to support vaping prevention and promote healthier alternatives. This resource helps youth explore the reasons behind vaping and offers free support, practical coping tools. See the attachment for more information.

Feel free to email me at zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

Zale Darnel

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