



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

| November 17 | November 18 | November 19 | November 20 | November 21 |
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| Open Gym | Book Fair 8:00 – SBT Field Trip – D05, D10, D12 – Skating Art Card Orders Due 6:30 – PAC Meeting | Book Fair Open Gym Strong Start Salad Bar PAC Bake Sale Volleyball Gr 6 @ Home (Vs Queneesh) Volleyball Gr 7 @ Brooklyn | Book Fair Parent Teacher Interviews (No School) | Open Gym Hot Lunch Elder in Residence |
| November 24 | November 25 | November 26 | November 27 | November 28 |
| Open Gym Career's Week | 8:00 – SBT Field Trip – D05, D10, D12 – Skating Elder in Residence 2:45 – Staff Meeting | Open Gym Strong Start Salad Bar Volleyball Gr 6 @ Home (Vs Coeur de L'ile) Volleyball Gr 7 @ Robb Road | Toonie Sale PAC Dance (6:00 – 7:30) | Open Gym Hot Lunch Elder in Residence |

Upcoming dates to note:

- December 16 – Winter Concert
- December 19 – Last Day Before Winter Break

Parent Teacher Interviews - November 20

Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place on **Thursday, November 20**. Please note that **there are no classes in session** that day.

Families can book an interview time using the link below. This is a great opportunity to connect with your child's teacher, discuss progress, and share insights about your child's learning.

If you have specific questions or need assistance booking a time, please contact your child's classroom teacher directly.

Interview Booking Link - <http://www.parentinterviews.com/aspenpark>

PAC – Art Cards

Aspen Park Elementary PAC is once again organizing the Art Card fundraiser. Order forms will be coming home with the youngest child in your household.

Your child will have the opportunity to create a unique drawing in school, and you can purchase your child's original artwork on a professionally printed holiday card. Cards are sold in bundles of 10 cards with envelopes for \$20.00.

The cards must be preordered (and you will not see the completed art before purchasing due to limited time and turnaround to have them back early December). Payments will be accepted as cash, cheques (payable to Aspen Park Elementary PAC) or e-transfer to aspenparkpactreasurer@gmail.com. The order form must be returned with payment by **November 18**. Cards will be ready within approximately 2-3 weeks of the deadline.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR E-TRANSFER: You must include a memo on the transfer indicating your child's name and division or teacher. And you must still complete the form and return it to the school.

If there are any questions, please email Keltie Schalm - schalmfamily@gmail.com

Aspen Glows School Dance – November 27

Aspen PAC invites you to the Aspen Glows School Dance on November 27 from 6:00–7:30pm. A parent or guardian must attend with all students.

Admission is by donation. Concession items and glow sticks will be available for purchase.

If you're interested in volunteering, please sign up using the link below.

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/752793862072/false#/invitation>

Salad Bar Volunteers Needed

If you would like to volunteer to help with Salad Bar please use the link below to sign up.

https://signup.com/mobileweb/2.0/vspot.html?activitykey=102393660011#choose_event_page

Library – Book Fair

We are excited to welcome the Scholastic Book Fair to our school next week! The Book Fair will be open on the following days:

- Tuesday, Nov. 18: 12:30–3:30
- Wednesday, Nov. 19: 9:00–3:30
- Thursday, Nov. 20: 8:30–4:30

All students will have an opportunity to visit the Book Fair with their class either Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday to browse and create wish lists. Families are also welcome to drop in during open hours to shop. Thank you for supporting literacy and a love of reading in our school community!

If you would like to volunteer to help with the Book Fair please use the link below to sign up, <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/47550094019/false#/invitation>

Strong Start Update

Our Strong Start program will be on hold for January, February, and March due to construction-related changes on our site. With our portables being removed and our new building not yet ready, we are unable to host the program during this transitional period.

We appreciate your understanding and patience as we work through these temporary challenges. We look forward to welcoming Strong Start families back in April in our beautiful new space!

PAC Meeting – November 18th

A reminder that our next PAC meeting will take place in person at the school on Tuesday, November 18 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. We encourage all families to attend—your voice and involvement make a meaningful difference in our school community. We look forward to seeing you there!

PAC Bake Sale – November 19th

There will be a PAC bake sale after school on Wednesday, November 19th. Items will be either \$1 or \$2. And any leftovers will be sold the next day during the parent/teacher conferences.

Upcoming PAC Events

- **Re-Gift Sale (December 11)**
 - Items can be dropped off at the school office beginning on Nov 27.
 - If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Luba at aspenpac@gmail.com.

Pictures











Community Information



SANTA'S WORKSHOP
IS NOW MAKING APPOINTMENTS
FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED OF GIFTS THIS
CHRISTMAS
FOR THEIR CHILDREN
AGES NEWBORN TO 15 YEARS
CALL 250-871-7273
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
NOVEMBER HOURS: 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
DECEMBER HOURS: 9:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.



OR VISIT THE WORKSHOP
2967 Kilpatrick Ave, Courtenay
(The old Mr.Pets)



Our Boundaries are
Oyster River to the north
And Cook Creek to the South

LAST SHOPPING DAY: December 19th 2025

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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