

Week At A Glance October 30, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Halloween Fun Event

Monday is Halloween and students are invited to wear their costumes to school until recess time. At 9:15am parents are invited to come to the gym for a fun little costume parade and dance a couple songs together before recess. Students will be changing out of their costumes for recess at 10am and need to have something to wear for the rest of the day. We are also **looking for volunteers to help with some pumpkin carving in the afternoon from 1-2pm**. K-2 are decorating their pumpkins with sharpies and stickers and Gr 3-7 can choose to carve their pumpkins. We will be in the outdoor classroom at the back of the school for this super fun time. Students may want a bag to help take their pumpkins home. I am looking forward to a fun day of memory making.

PAC

We had a fantastic PAC turnout on Monday for our elections and first meeting of the year. We were able to meet our new trustee, Chelsea Keene and have DPAC (district PAC) rep Megan Cowling join us. **Congratulations** to Becky Nykwist, chair, Rebecca Moore, treasurer, Rhianna Nagel, secretary and Gerli Metsar, Angela Olsen and Bethany Ireland as members at large. I am excited to work with this wonderful crew on the PAC this year. I would also like to send a **huge thank you** to Lindsay McGinn, chair, Shannon Kay, secretary, Jeremy Cartier, treasurer, Nancy and Quinn members at large who formed the PAC last year and did fantastic work supporting our learners and school.

Salad Bar

Last week's chili was fantastic, and it is always rewarding to see students coming back for seconds. This week we will feature loaded baked potatoes in lieu of soup. Students can have a baked potato and load it up with chili, cheese, guacamole, sour cream and even bacon bits. All the other yummy salad bar items will also be there. If you are still packing a lunch for your child, I would love to hear what they would like to see in the salad bar.

Outdoor Learning Time

Now that the fall wet weather has returned, please make sure your child has boots, jacket and clothing suitable for outside learning daily(1 hour+) and a change of shoes and clothes for inside. This request is for children of all ages as students need clean shoes for the classroom and gym and they often need a change of pants and socks. We have limited supplies at the office to lend but if you need help getting good gear, please email me or your child's teacher and we will help.

Puntledge Hatchery Field Trip

The school will be heading to the Puntledge Hatchery this Wednesday for a day of outdoor experiential learning. Students should **either ride the bus to the ferry or be dropped off at the ferry by 8:20am**. The bus does not stop at the school in the morning and there will no classes at the school.

We will head to the hatchery where they will be able to see the salmon spawning and watch the hatchery staff harvesting eggs. We will have a guest to help students understand the harvesting process and answer questions. We will then head to Puntledge Park and take a short walk along the trails to continue our learning of the salmon life cycle. We have a room booked at the library for

warming up and eating lunch. We will finish our day of learning with storytelling and other activities from Indigenous cultural educators.

We plan to **walk on the 2pm ferry** and the bus will meet us at the ferry terminal for the ride back to school and home. Please email the school denman@sd71.bc.ca if you need to make other arrangements for dismissal. It is going to be an amazing day of learning.

Have a great week!

Yolanda Lehton, Vice-Principal

Upcoming Dates:

Oct 31 – Monday – Halloween (costumes only until recess) Parade and dance 9:15-9:45am

Oct 31 – Monday – Outdoor Learning 1-2pm – pumpkin decorating and carving

Nov 2 – Wednesday – School Field Trip to the Puntledge Hatchery – permission slips due Tuesday

Nov 7 – Monday – Outdoor Learning 1-2pm

Nov 10 – Thursday – Remembrance Day Ceremony 11:00am outside but may be moved indoors if raining – guests are welcome

Nov 11 – Friday – Remembrance Day – No School

Nov 14 – Monday – Outdoor Learning 1-2pm

Nov 17 – Thursday - Student-Led Conferences 12:30-2:30 (no school in the am)

Nov 18 – Friday - National Child Day (Nov 20) – wear Blue!

Nov 25 – Friday – Div 2 is planning a fun day – stay tuned...

Dec 7 – Wednesday – Winter Concert event – evening time TBA

Dec 16 – Pancakes and Pajamas Day – parent volunteers requested

Dec 17 – Jan 2 Winter Break

Jan 3 – Tuesday – first day back at school