

### ÉCOLE ROBB ROAD ÉLÉMENTAIRE / Comox Valley School (SD71)

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## The RR Weekly - October 16th - 20th

Dear Robb Road Families,

Another short week ahead as Friday is a Non-Instructional Day. Remember to send wet weather gear and a change of clothes as a deluge is expected to start the week. A few highlights:

- <u>1. Halloween</u>: As families start preparing for Halloween, here are a few things to consider when sending your child to school with their costume:
- \* We'll have a costume parade starting at 9:40 am Tuesday, October 31st
- \* Keep accessories to a minimum to avoid the disappointment of lost / misplaced / damaged items
- \* If a mask is part of a costume, it can only be worn during the costume parade. Because a mask limits vision, we'll ask students to remove costume masks in the classroom and during recess (for safety)
- \* Guns, knives, swords and all such accessories are great for trick-or-treating at night....but not for school. Please keep them home.
- \* Candy is a fun part of Halloween. Everyone loves it, but please send sparingly (or not at all) following Halloween as we try to keep the focus on learning and sugar rarely helps kids focus.
- \* A change of clothing during the day is always helpful
- \* Pyjama Day on November 1st and many classes will have a cooperative games themed day

- <u>2. Book Character Pumpkin Parade</u> Please click on the <u>following link for the book character pumpkin parade details.</u> Thanks Mme Pontus, our teacher librarian!
- 3. Parking Lots A reminder that both parking lots at the rear of the school are for staff only. Student pick up and drop off are at the front of the school on Robb Avenue. Wee Care families may use the east parking lot before 8:10 am and after 3:00 pm.
- <u>4. Clubs</u> A number of clubs are on offer for students during recesses. Some are run by staff, others by students (supervised by staff). Some are seasonal and others may be added later. Here are the current offerings, which are announced daily to remind interested students:
  - \* Coding (gr. 4-7 Mondays)
  - \* Animation (gr. 4-7 Tuesdays)
  - \* Reading (gr. 4-7 Wednesdays)
  - \* Rainbow Alliance (gr. 4-7 Thursdays)
  - \* Dance (gr. 1-4 Tuesdays and Fridays)
  - \* Musical Theatre (gr. 3-7 Tuesdays)
  - \* Drama (gr. 4-7 Thursdays)
  - \* Puzzles and Games (gr. 4-7 Wednesdays)

## 5. Messages from your PAC

\* Halloween Howl - Friday, October 27th 5:30-7:30

Family Dance, Concession, Bake sale & Pre-order pizza dinner Admission with Food Bank Donation

The Halloween Howl is coming together! We still need volunteers to make it run. Here is a sign up form that begs for your name to be put on it! <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448ABAE23A5FF2-45014192-halloween">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448ABAE23A5FF2-45014192-halloween</a>

We have spots for set-up, "security", and clean-up. There are also opportunities for crafting beforehand. Please email <a href="mailto:chairerrpac@gmail.com">chairerrpac@gmail.com</a> for more details.

We are still looking for Cake Walk organizer.

Also looking for more people who can help decorate the gym and make Photo Booth. Please email if you are available. chairerrpac@gmail.com

#### \* PIZZA dinner – Halloween Howl

Ordering is now open and closing on Monday, October 23rd at noon. http://robbroad.hotlunches.net

If you have multiple kids, please order for all your family members from 1 account. Pizza pick up is between 5:30-6:30. Any leftovers will be resold with reduced price or donated to the volunteers. No refund as this is a fundraiser for Grade 7 year end trip.

\* PAC meeting this Tuesday in the library at 6pm. Agenda found here -

https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/vtr9a0i1svvkzrbcq5wua/2023-10-17-ERRagenda.docx?rlkey=6wypxz6s3l1harkrhck5sbzip&dl=0

And the previous minutes can be found here -

https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/l2ndkhgce894i8es4cntw/2023-09-15-ERR-minutes.docx?rlkey=0tn7yqf2na3zhwi9brbsfk9of&dl=0

# 6. Family Session: Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital

<u>Communities</u>: Three virtual erase learning sessions for families will be held on November 8, 28, and 30, focusing on establishing safe, caring, and respectful digital communities. These online sessions are best suited for families and youth aged 10 and above.

**Details:** Recommended for Parents/Caregivers/Grandparents and youth aged 10 and up as a way to facilitate the conversation of safe and caring use of technology at home and in the community. This session covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion. Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed.

## **Schedule:**

November 8, 2023 6:30pm – 7:30pm

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732334942527?aff=oddtdtcreator

November 28, 2023 7:00pm – 8:00pm

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732343096917?aff=oddtdtcreator

November 30, 2023 6:30pm – 7:30pm

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732346587357?aff=oddtdtcreator

### 7. Dates to Remember

Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – PAC Meeting in Library @ 6:00 pm
Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country Race @ Brooklyn
Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> – Great Shakeout Earthquake Drill
Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> – Provincial Non-Instructional Day – NO SCHOOL
October 23<sup>rd</sup>-October 27<sup>th</sup> – Book Character Pumpkin Parade
Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Immunization
Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Dance
Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – Pyjama Day
Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day Assembly @ 11:00 am
Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – No School (Remembrance Day)
Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parent/Teacher Interviews

Have a great week!

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