

VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Valley View Family Newsletter November 2nd, 2025

Happy Sunday! We hope you had a fun and safe Halloween and a restful weekend. With the time change today and gaining an extra hour, don't forget to set all your clocks and enjoy the extra hour. As is the Valley View tradition, we are going to have an optional pajama day tomorrow in lieu of the time change and surviving Halloween.

All days are outside play days and students will be outside for at least 40 minutes or more at recess breaks and outdoor learning times throughout the week. Students need to be prepared for outside time with a rain jacket, outdoor shoes like boots or rugged shoes. We have some equipment to lend at the office or if students need a sweater or dry socks in a pinch. If you need support to find warm or water-resistant clothing for your child, please contact the office.

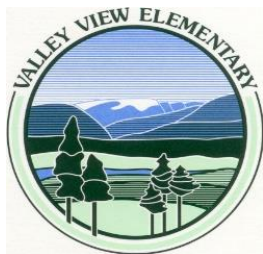
Candy and treats are fun but please limit them to one or two items to have at regular food times or save them for home time. Teachers may have specific expectations for their classrooms, please follow their guidance as well.

Student Learning Conferences are coming up on Thursday, Nov 20th. The school will be sending out an email for families to sign up for a conference time. Teachers may have a variety of availability from Wednesday afternoon to Thursday afternoon. They may also be asking to meet with both parents and students at the same time. Stay tuned for more information and save the date!

Family parking, student drop off and pick up is always a delicate balancing act however we are noticing some behavior that is creating a significant safety concern for our students and learning community. The staff parking lot is for staff only and people who need wheelchair accessible parking, all other parking is for families and guests. Also, please use the pick-up lane and do not park in the fire lane on the right of the driveway as this makes it difficult for our school buses to get through.

We are working with a school program this year called Safe and Active Schools to audit the whole school and community traffic patterns around Valley View. Parents are invited to the **Adult walkabout** – Typically comprised of parents, school administration, local ICBC Road Safety staff, RCMP, Public Health, City staff, and interested PAC members. The walkabout will take place on Nov 21st around morning drop off time however, the exact timing is confirmed. Save the date and watch this newsletter for more information.

Have a lovely weekend!
Yolanda Lehton, Acting Principal



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PAC updates:

The Halloween Dance was a great success and loads of fun. Congratulations to the students who participated in the costume contest and big thanks to the PAC and staff volunteers including the leadership club students who helped to set up and clean up. Thanks also to Mr. Carmichael for your great DJ services!

Valley View Spirit Wear Orders are here and there is a great selection of awesome and cozy clothing. We have loosely designated Fridays as our school spirit wear day so if you don't want to worry about what to wear at least one day of the week, pick up a hoodie, t-shirt and or a pair of the joggers and join the fun. Orders are due by Friday Nov 14th and samples are available to try on for size and fit.

Wreath and Swag Fundraiser – **The final order date has been extended until Wednesday, Nov 5th** These beautiful wreaths and swags are locally made at Wildwood Evergreens and are such an amazing value! They will be delivered the first week of December. Consider getting one of these wreaths and support local x2! valleyviewpac.square.site or etransfer with a note of what you are ordering to valleyviewpac@gmail.com

Winter Market – our first Winter Market is taking place on Saturday, November 22 from 10am-3pm in the school gym. There are over 30 vendors, a concession with locally made treats and goodies as well as a photo booth. Times will be available for families to get their winter photos taken just in time for seasonal sharing and cards. Save the date and come enjoy some seasonal fun. Please see the poster attached for more information.

Upcoming dates of note:

Wednesday, Nov 5 – Volleyball Game 3pm at VV vs École Au coeur de l'île

Wednesday, Nov 5 – Wreath and Swag orders due

Tuesday, Nov 11 – No school – Remembrance Day

Friday, Nov 14 – Clothing orders due

Tuesday Nov 18-Thursday Nov 20 – Book Fair in the library

Tuesday, Nov 18 – PAC meeting 6:30 in the library – all are welcome

Wednesday, Nov 19 – Volleyball game at Brooklyn El.

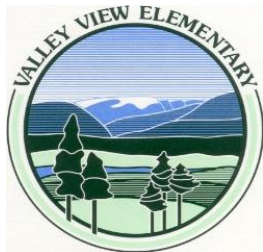
Thursday Nov 20th – no school - Conference Day – some students will be asked to attend with families

Friday, Nov 21 – Safe and Active Schools Walkabout Adults 8:45am, Students 11am Saturday,

Nov 22 10am – 3pm Valley View Winter Market – Save the date!

Wednesday, Nov 26 – Volleyball game at Royston – Gr 7 only

Friday, Nov 28 – Month End assembly



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Wreath and Swag Fundraiser

Decorate your home for the season while supporting the Valley View PAC!

We have partnered with a local farm, Wildwood Evergreens, to offer you beautifully handmade wreaths and swags.

ORDERS ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, OCT. 31, 2025



PLEASE COMPLETE BELOW AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE:

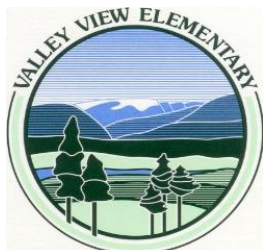
Student name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Wreath - Quantity: ____ Swag - Quantity: ____

Payment method: cash ____ cheque ____ e-transfer ____ (valleyviewpac@gmail.com)

Ensure student name, teacher, and items ordered in memo of e-transfer

Orders can also be placed through valleyviewpac.square.site



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Valley View Spirit Wear



QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	SIZE	COLOUR	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
	A - Valley View Hoodie ADULT or CHILD sizes (Black)		Black	\$45.00	
	B - Valley View Crewneck ADULT or CHILD sizes (Black)		Black	\$35.00	
	C - Valley View T-Shirt ADULT or CHILD size (Orange)		Orange	\$25.00	
	D - Valley View T-Shirt ADULT or CHILD size (Black)		Black	\$25.00	
	E - Grade 7 Grad Hoodie ADULT or CHILD size (Black)		Black	\$50.00	
	F - Valley View Jogging Pants ADULT or CHILD size (Black)		Black	\$35.00	
	G- Beanie ONE SIZE	One size	Black	\$25.00	
		Tax included in prices		\$ TOTAL	

Sizes: Please indicate ADULT or CHILD size in the order section of the form.

Youth Sizes: S – XL, Adult Sizes: S – 3XL

Please pay by Cash, Cheque (payable to Valley View PAC), through website (valleyviewpac.square.site)

OR via e-transfer to valleyviewpac@gmail.com (indicate Student Name, and Teacher)

Please ensure order form is provided to office regardless of method of payment

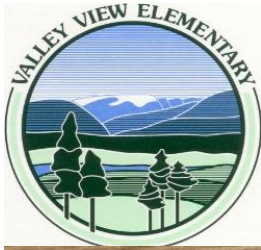
Orders Due by Friday, Nov. 14th 2025

STUDENT NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

TEACHER NAME: _____

Items come in before Christmas break and we will be sent home with your child when they arrive unless you make other arrangements.



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VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY WINTER MARKET

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 22, 2025

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

2300 Valley View Drive, Courtenay

**JOIN US FOR A FESTIVE DAY OF SHOPPING AND SUPPORT
VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!**

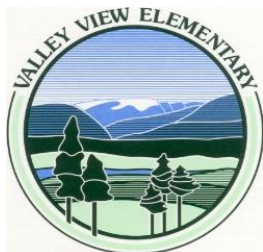
30 LOCAL VENDORS

50/50 DRAW

CHRISTMAS PHOTOS

TREATS & MORE!

**COME FIND THE PERFECT GIFTS AND GET INTO THE HOLIDAY
SPIRIT WHILE SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY!**



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**Dinner's
on us!**
(figuratively)

Tuesdays
5:00 - 6:30 pm
FREE!

Oct 28

Strategies to Support Neurodiverse Kids;
Lindsay & Brandon from CVCDA

Nov 4

Nature Based Family Activities for Self-Regulation;
Jenn Johnson, ECE & Strong Start Facilitator

Nov 18

**Adjusting to Parenthood - Support for New and
Expecting Parents;** Rosalie (RN), Public Health

Nov 25

**Become the Parent You Always Wanted to Be
Using the Positive Intelligence® Framework;**
Linda from Be Thriving Moms

Dec 2

Injury Prevention and Child Safety;
Olivia Aguiar (PhD), Public Health



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