



syuwéñct Elementary

NewsFlash

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CHRISTMAS ANGELS

The holidays can be a financially difficult time for many families, especially with the rising cost of living. Volunteer Nanaimo's Christmas Angels are there to help. If your family needs assistance with presents this year, please contact our Child, Youth, and Family Support Worker Tiana Praud who can connect you with community resources such as the Christmas Angels. Tiana can be reached at tiana.praud@sd68.bc.ca. Please know that all requests for assistance will be treated with upmost privacy and respect. Please reach out to Tiana before Thursday, November 10 along with a phone number that she can reach you at. Thank you.

UPDATE ON THE FAMILY AFFORDABILITY FUND

We have had our first meeting as a staff to discuss some of the options for supporting families through the Family Affordability Fund. I will be taking a proposal to the PAC meeting on Wednesday, November 9, for discussion. This one-time grant is geared to support families deal with the high inflation rates. We know that our families are at a varying degree of need for this type of support. Please direct your inquiries to Dr. Charles (diane.charles@sd68.bc.ca). As with the Christmas Angels, privacy will be maintained on all requests.

OUTSIDE DAYS

Thank you to everyone who took the "dress for the weather" seriously last week and sent their children to school with coats, boots or a change of shoes, and hats/umbrellas. We will be going outside daily, for both recess breaks, unless the weather is unsafe. Sorry kids – we live in a rain forest!



KEEPING TRACK ON HOW STUDENTS ARE DOING

We are working on some common expectations for behaviour with all of our students, with our first main focus being, "at syuwéñct we keep our hands and feet to ourselves". You may receive a notice from your child's teacher indicating that there have been some minor issues that staff have dealt with. The purpose of this communication system is just that – communicating between all of us adults here with the adults at home, so we can all

support our students to be their very best at school. After over 2 years of pandemic living, we need to really focus on how we show up for each other in our shared spaces. Thanks in advance for reinforcing our focus – it really makes a difference when we are all on the same page!

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY/POPPIES

Thursday, Nov 10 is the date for our annual Remembrance Day assembly. Mr. Drown and Ms. Pakulak's grade 6/7 students are taking the lead on this assembly, while our youngest students will be singing as part of the presentation. Students who are in any sort of Cadets program, or Brownies, Guides, Scouts or other service-related group are welcome to wear their uniforms for this assembly. We will have limited seating for other guests who want to watch the assembly.

Please send a donation with your child by Thursday as each student will be receiving either a poppy pin or poppy sticker, supplied by the Canadian Legion.



CALENDAR UPDATES

Please note that all the events are on our school website <https://ct.schools.sd68.bc.ca/> thanks to Mrs. Lundine's careful attention to detail!

Tuesday	Nov 8 – District Cross Country Meet
Wednesday	Nov 9 – PAC Meeting on Zoom
Thursday	Nov 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly – 10:40
Thursday	Nov 10 – Munchalunch day – Subway!
Friday	Nov 11 – Remembrance Day Holiday
Tuesday	Nov 15 – Div 3, 4 & 5 Bowling Field Trip
Tuesday	Nov 15 – TWIN TUESDAY! ←



Save the date: Winter Concert for Primary divisions will be Dec 14!

HALLOWEEN FUN!





Divisions 12 (Ms. Dickie) and 13 (Ms. Brayden) looked after the assembly! It was wonderful!

Check out Ms. Dickie and the “Dickie Dickie Dinosaurs”



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 Our new name populates in the email message ☺



Join the Facebook Group!
Family and Friends of syuWén'ct Elementary School
stay in touch with all that is going on.

Topic: November PAC Meeting
Time: Nov 9, 2022 07:00 PM Vancouver

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87258122826?pwd=ZEdtS0E1WVE1UFBCYkQrcHdPZ3Z5UT09>

Meeting ID: 872 5812 2826
Passcode: 749823

<https://munchalunch.com/login>

For returning families

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/syuwenct>

For new families



Next MunchaLunch day is Thursday November 10!