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Update from Cavell

Happy Halloween weekend from Cavell! We enjoyed our “School Halloween” (as a student referred to it on the announcements this week) all day. We had a variety of pumpkin related activities during the week and culminated with a Halloween Parade of classes this afternoon. The smell of freshly cut pumpkins and freshly baked pumpkin muffins wafted throughout the school throughout the week. We have been fortunate to have such a wonderful fall this year. The colours around our school are simply magical.



Darker mornings, shorter days: tips for a safe school commute

As our mornings grow darker, we can all help students get to school safely. This year, we won't turn clocks back on Nov. 1, as B.C. moves to year-round Pacific time.

A few simple steps can help keep everyone safe on the way to and from school:

- Wear bright or reflective clothing
- Use lights when cycling or scootering
- Cross at marked crosswalks and follow traffic signals
- Stop, look and listen before crossing. Wait until vehicles have stopped before stepping onto the road
- Put phones and other distractions away during commutes
- Drivers should slow down, stay alert and take extra care around schools, crosswalks and drop-off areas

As the days grow shorter, please give yourself a little extra time and take extra care on your way to and from school.

Sports Updates – Congratulations to our 50 grade 3 to 7 students who took part in our district-wide Cross Country meet last week at Trout Lake. There were 70 schools that participated and over 3400 students running! This is the largest VSB sporting event that is held!

Congratulations to the boys' soccer team who played a number of games against a whole bunch of different schools. The senior girls' spent this morning at Van Tech playing in the City Finals. Congratulations on finishing **2nd in the city!!**

SpacesEDU – all families will have received an email from our school this week explaining the new district learning update (report card) platform that is being used across the district. Cavell is in the final group of schools using this new platform across the city. Please watch for an email from your classroom teacher inviting you to join SpacesEDU. Report cards will be sent electronically in December to your activated account.

Remembrance Day Assembly – on November 10 at 11:00am we will have our Remembrance Day Assembly. Each year we ask students who are part of an organization like Cadets, Navy League, Girl Guides, Scouts, Sparks, Cub Scouts etc. to be part of our colour guard. If your child would like to wear their uniform to school that day and / or take part in bringing in flags to the assembly, please email Andrea Greenhalgh at agreenhalg@vsb.bc.ca. There are a few classes participating in the assembly and parents are welcome to attend.



PAC News

Cavell Spirit Wear - PAC's Cavell Spirit Wear is now open!

Shop by November 8th. Items are made to order, and all sales are final, so please check the size chart. Pickup at Cavell late November/early December! PAC will share the exact date and time closer to the day. Take a look: <https://cavellpac.wixsite.com/cavell/fundraising-events/spirit-wear>

Any questions? Contact emmavin4@gmail.com

Upcoming Dates:

November 11th – Remembrance Day – School Closed

November 20th – Professional Day – no school for students

December 15th – Learning Update #1 home

December 17th – Winter Concert one show in morning and one show in afternoon. More information to come.

December 18th – Last Day of school prior to Winter Break

January 4th – school re-opens after Winter Break

