

GRENFELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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AUTUMN LEAVES

And so Autumn arrives, with a sprinkle of spectacular colour in the change of the leaves, that familiar crispness in the air, and the tell-tale scent in the air that signals to every Vancouverite that it's about to rain- and keep raining! Umbrellas and boots, everyone! Fall in Vancouver is here!



GETTING READY FOR THE RAINY SEASON

Students are reminded to dress appropriately for outdoor activities for recess and lunch. Rain gear is recommended on rainy days. Thank you for your support.

GRENFELL REMEMBERS



Grenfell students will observe Remembrance Day on November 10th. The Remembrance Day Assembly is an opportunity for us to pay tribute to those who served and sacrificed. It is also an opportunity to reflect on how lucky we are to live in a peaceful country and to remember those who are still affected by wars.

VANCOUVER POPPY FUND

Starting Monday, November 6, we will be collecting loonies and toonies to contribute to the Vancouver Poppy Fund. The Poppy Fund supports housing and care facilities for elderly veterans through the Vancouver Legion. Members of Student Council will collect donations in their classrooms. We would like to encourage all students to bring a small donation to school. We will send all money collected to Vancouver Poppy Fund. The last day to donate will be Thursday, November 23. Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT

The school's Code of Conduct will be sent home students. We hope parents will have a chance to look at the document with their child. The Code of Conduct outlines expected behaviours at school. Thank you for your support



WINTER CONCERT-SAVE THE DATE

We are in the process of planning for our winter concert. We hope that families can join us on Thursday, December 21 from 1:30 to approximately 2:30 pm.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

We had a successful Book Fair during the week of October 23 that resulted in the library getting \$650 worth of scholastic books as well as \$300 in cash to purchase more books for the library. Thank you everyone for supporting our Book Fair!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN BORN IN 2019 BEGAN ON NOVEMBER 1



Please click on the link for registration process. <https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5195/priority-kindergarten-registration>



GRENFELL PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (GRENFELL PAC) PAC HOT LUNCH

The PAC's November hot lunch days are November 9 (pizza) and November 23 (sushi).

If you have not received hot lunch information, please email Grenfell PAC at grenfellpac@gmail.com



PURDY'S CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Grenfell PAC is hosting a Purdy's Chocolate fundraiser to support our school. To order online, please go to:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/401220-111804>

-Enter your **Email Address**.

You will be prompted to **JOIN A CAMPAIGN** if this is your first time, or **Sign In** if you already have an existing Purdys Fundraiser account.

-You should see **Grenfell Elementary Christmas Fundraiser** displayed

-Click **Shop Online** to place and pay for your orders.

You can also find this information and more instructions on the PAC website, which can be located through the school website here: <https://sites.google.com/view/grenfellpac/fundraising/purdys-christmas-2023>

Deadline to order: **Saturday, November 25**. Orders will be ready for pick up after school on **Friday, December 8**. Thank you for your support.

SAFE ARRIVAL-PLEASE SEE INFORMATION BELOW TO REPORT YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE



If your child will be absent for school, please call the Safe Arrival line to report their absence. Safe Arrival:
(604) 713-5159 Ext. 34 or email: greatattendance@vsb.bc.ca.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday, November 9	PAC hot lunch (pizza)
Friday, November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly at 11:00am
Monday, November 13	Remembrance Day in lieu (no school)
Thursday, November 16	Photo re-take
Thursday, November 23	PAC hot lunch (sushi)
Friday, November 24	Indigenous focused day for staff (students do not attend)
Saturday, November 25	Last day to order Purdy's Chocolate
Wednesday, November 29	Grade 6 immunization clinic
Friday, December 1	Report cards go home with students
Friday, December 8	Purdy's chocolate pick up at school
Thursday, December 14	PAC hot lunch (Whitespot)
Thursday, December 21	Winter Concert at 1:30pm
Friday, December 22	Last day of Instruction before winter vacation
Monday, January 8	School re-opens after winter vacation