

ÉCOLE NORTH OYSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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The Habits of the Heart are: Empathy, Integrity, Curiosity, Self-Confidence and Reflection

School-Wide Dates to Remember:

November 1	Orca Assembly 9:15 a.m.
November 1	Pyjama Day
November 9	Photo Retakes
November 10	Remembrance Day Assembly 10-:35 a.m.
November 13	Remembrance Day Observed—No School
December 1	Orca Assembly 9:15 a.m.



PAC NEWS

The PAC would like to first and foremost thank McNab's Corn Maze and their entire staff for giving our school the opportunity year after year to run a concession on one of their busiest weekends. Our McNab's Fund-raising Concession would not have been successful, or even possible, without the incredible organizations that donated so much to our PAC. Every single item at the concession was donated and we raised close to \$3500, even with one day being extremely bad weather! A huge thank you also goes out to all of the tireless volunteers and bakers. We sold close to 1000 pieces of baking!

Please thank these businesses for their generosity when you visit them next:

Country Grocer -Chase River
A&W Ladysmith
49th Parallel Grocery
Old Town Bakery
Wild Poppy Bistro
Ramada - Duncan
Special Occasions Party Rentals and Sales
Real Canadian Superstore
Freshpoint Canada
Great Canadian Dollar Store - Ladysmith



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Halloween Activities

We had a variety of special guests in our school on Halloween: superheroes, witches, ninjas, movie characters, students from Hogwarts, unicorns, other animals, Bennie Boos... you name it, they visited us! Almost all of the staff and students participated by wearing costumes. For thirty minutes we all danced and paraded through every classroom in the school to show off our costumes. Many classes did other Halloween activities in their rooms as well. It was a fun and exciting day.



A note from Mme Patrice in the library:

The students and staff of École North Oyster Elementary would like to thank all families who contributed to literacy in our school by buying a book or sharing a story during the Indigo Adopt-a-School promotion last month. Thanks to your generous support, we are able to purchase 42 new and exciting books for the library!

Thank you! Merci!



ELECTRONICS AT SCHOOL



Please ensure that students keep any of their electronic devices, iPods, MP3 players, cell phones, etc. at home or in their backpacks. These items interfere with lessons in the classroom and run the risk of being lost, damaged or stolen at school. Additionally, the use of these devices can lead to privacy concerns as well as concerns with the inappropriate use of social media. The school is not responsible for these items and we certainly do not want them to interfere with the learning in the classroom. Students can use these devices for their walk to and from school, but they should remain in backpacks or with the teacher for safe keeping for the rest of the day. We encourage the students to be interacting with others and not using technology at the recess and lunch breaks. The school phone is available for students to call home or for parents to contact their child/ren during the day. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Miss Fall's Class presents:

The 4th Annual Christmas Store

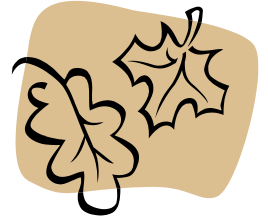
December 19, 20 & 21, 2017

Location: Miss Fall's Room



Donations needed: Any gently used or new small household items suitable for gifts for family members (including parents), knickknacks, toys, tape, gift bags, wrapping paper, ribbon, tissue & Christmas or winter-themed mugs or cups. PLEASE: NO CLOTHING OR VERY LARGE ITEMS (furniture).

Donations can be dropped off any time starting now in Miss Fall's class. Thank you!



PURDYS SCHOOL FUNDRAISER—INFORMATION COMING HOME NOV 1st

GET YOUR ORDERS IN FOR OUR PURDYS FUDRAISER. CHOCOLATES MAKE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR ALL AGES! DEADLINE FOR ORDERING IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2017 WITH DELIVERY JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2017. NEED ANY ORDER FORMS OR INFORMATION PLEASE SEE CHRISTINE DE VRIES AT THE OFFICE.



Earthquake Comfort Kits

Please remember to bring in your child's kit if you haven't already done so.



Guidelines When Your Child is Ill

Cold and flu season is upon us! In order to prevent the spread of germs, please remind your children to wash their hands regularly. Vancouver Island Health Authority also recommends keeping your child at home for 48 hours after symptoms subside if they have been vomiting. If your child is ill and going to be away from school, just phone the office and we'll be sure to excuse them for the day.



Cold/Wet Weather



As the cold weather is now upon us, please ensure your children come to school with weather appropriate clothing. Students go outside during recesses each day, with very few exceptions. Hats, mittens, proper footwear and warm coats are essential in cold weather. At Ecole North Oyster we are appreciative of the wonderful outdoor spaces available for play and learning and we believe in providing fresh air activity for all our students.



Cross Country

Congratulations to the 36 students who ran the "South Zone Large School" Cross Country race on Thursday October 26. Every one of them ran their hearts out and positively represented our school.



We had three ultra, super, mega speedy students that placed in the top five for their respective races. Two that were ultra, super fast and placed in the top 10 while eight other students were super fast placing in the top twenty. Most of the races had more than 50 competitors. Good luck to these finalist at the District Cross Country Meet on Thursday November 2!



Parking and Awareness of School Buses



A reminder to parents to avoid parking/ stopping/ idling between the no parking signs on Cedar Road, directly across from the school's bus loop. This area needs to be clear of vehicles so that our buses can make safe and wide turns into the bus loop. Any vehicle stopped in this area, even for a moment, jeopardizes the safety of pedestrians and other drivers as often the bus driver has to back up to navigate the turn. Thank you for your cooperation.

Have a Wonderful Month

