# 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:

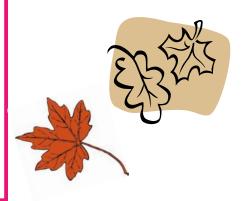
- Nov 1 Orca Assemby 1 pm
- Nov 1 Pajama Day
- Nov 1 PAC meeting 6:30 pm in the library
- Nov 10 Remembrance Day Assembly 10:35 am to 11:30 am
- Nov 11 Remembrance Day—Statutory Holiday
- Nov 25 Pajama Day



A huge thanks to Sharron Onciul and Mme Patrice for all their hard work organizing and running our Book Fair. Thanks as well to all our

amazing parent volunteers! The Book Fair was a huge success and sold approximately \$6000 worth of books! Over half of this money will come back to the school in the form of new books for the library.

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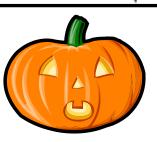
#### **Cross Country**

Congratulations to all our Cross Country athletes. They trained hard and 41 of them participated in the Small School South Zone meet on Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2016. Sixteen placed in the top twenty and will compete in the district finals on Wednesday, November 2, 2016. Good luck, runners!



## Halloween Activities

On Monday, we celebrated Halloween here at the school. Students participated in a costume parade, safety talk and various activities during the morning and celebrated in their classes for the afternoon! Thanks to all staff who organized a successful day for our students.





#### NUT Aware

We are a NUT aware school. Please do not send your child

to school with nut products. A friendly reminder that NUTELLA counts as a nut product.

# 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.





### 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.



**Coats for Kids** Time to think of our COATS FOR KIDS program that was started last year. As the wet and cold weather begins we start thinking about our kids being safe and warm. In the school foyer there is a clothing rack and we have started collecting fleece, rain and winter coats. There are vests as well. We are also looking to collect gloves, scarves, toques and socks all in good used clean

condition. These items are available for anyone who needs them.....please bring something in to donate if you can and if you need something, please take it.

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Bell Schedule		
8:30 – 10:15	105 minute instructional block	School buses arrive at: 8:05 Route 8 8:23 Route 11 8:27 Route 12 8:25 Route 15
10:15 – 10:30	Short Recess = 15 minutes of supervised outdoor play	
10:30 – 11:45	75 minute instructional block	
11:45 – 12:15	Long Recess = 30 minutes of supervised outdoor play	
<u>Mondays:</u> 12:15 – 1:17	62 minute instructional block	School buses depart at: 1:27 Route 8 1:35 Route 11 1:32 Route 12 1:27 Route 15
Tuesday		School buses depart at:
<u>Tuesday</u> <u>thru Friday:</u> 12:15 – 2:17	122 minute instructional block	<ul> <li>2:27 Route 8</li> <li>2:35 Route 11</li> <li>2:32 Route 12</li> <li>2:27 Route 15</li> </ul>

# After School Arrangements

We request that you make after school arrangements for your children in advance, wherever possible. We understand that emergencies arise and that there are times when plans need to be adjusted and we are happy to pass on messages in these situations. However, due to the busy nature of the classroom and the office, we appreciate it when plans can occur outside of school time for the most part. This allows learning to take place with the fewest possible interruptions. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

# Thanks and Have a Great Month!

