

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

October 20 - Provincial Professional Development Day (no students in session)  
October 23 - Cross Country Finals (1:00 p.m., Beacon Hill Park)  
October 24 - Swim Club (3:30 at Crystal Pool)  
October 27 - Assembly 9:00 a.m. (everyone welcome)  
October 27 - Halloween Dance (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., school gym)  
October 31 - Black and Orange Day  
October 31 - Swim Club (3:30 p.m. at Crystal Pool)  
November 4 - Royals Hockey Game (Ticket Sale Fundraiser by CTS PAC)  
November 7 - Student Photo Re-Takes  
November 7 - Swim Club (3:30 p.m. at Crystal Pool)  
November 10 - Remembrance Day Assembly (9:00 a.m., everyone welcome)  
November 13 - Remembrance Day Observed (school closed)  
November 14 - Swim Club (3:30 p.m. at Crystal Pool)

## **SCHOOL UPDATES:**

### *Vice-Principal's Message*

Although it has been a short week, the school has had lots of focused learning. The felting project is continuing with sky, grass, flowers and trees being made. The students have become experts on how felt is made, with the younger students teaching the older ones.

Cross Country finals are taking place on Monday afternoon at Beacon Hill Park. Good luck to all of our runners! The Running Club continues throughout the year on Tuesdays and Thursdays at lunch. Running Club is open to all grade 1 to 5 students and after Christmas Kindergarten students are invited to join. Thank you Mrs. Petrovic, Mrs. Glover and Mrs. Bird for all your hard work.

Mrs. Milburn has been into several classrooms this week doing aboriginal teachings. Mr. Kissinger will also be sharing his knowledge throughout the school year.

Our Halloween dance is coming up next Friday. This is a family event and we encourage everyone to dress up. Please remember that no play swords or other arms are to be worn. This week was our Hands Up Survey, with many students walking, biking and scootering as alternative methods of transportation. As we enter our rainy season, please ensure that students wear bright coats so that they can be easily seen by drivers. With more parents picking up children, our drive through area becomes very crowded. Please try to stop as close to the car in front of you as possible and not block the drive through area. Just a reminder, Thrifty Foods is not available for parent parking, and neither is the staff parking lot.

Tomorrow for the professional development day, many of our teachers will be travelling to Vancouver for a major conference, while others will be delving into the new curriculum and creating wonderful ways to engage students.

This weekend, bundle up and take a walk in the rain or curl up on the couch with a good book.  
~ Mrs. Jost

## **PAC UPDATES:**

### *Save Around Coupon Book - PAST DUE!!!*

The Save Around Coupon Book Fundraiser is officially over. If you have any unreturned books please send them into the school office ASAP. All families with books/orders that have not been returned will receive an invoice for \$25. Please return the coupon book or payment immediately to the school office. If you have any questions, issues or concerns please email: [cts.pac@vcpcac.ca](mailto:cts.pac@vcpcac.ca). Thank you for your support.

### *Halloween Dance*

Our Halloween Dance is coming up on Friday October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30pm. We are looking for volunteers to help out. Please go to the following online link to sign up for a short shift. Many hands make light work!

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1To4\\_W0p7GMhBxRWSnhEH2JsEcAftZQo8AdAQutmmGRo/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1To4_W0p7GMhBxRWSnhEH2JsEcAftZQo8AdAQutmmGRo/edit?usp=sharing)

Our fabulous Halloween Dance coordinators James and Leslie are graduating out of CTS next year. We are looking for some parent volunteers that would be interested in organizing the dance – in the future. James and Leslie would be happy to have you work alongside them this year and learn the ropes. If interested please contact the school office with your name and contact information.

### *Royals Hockey CTS PAC Fundraiser*

We are excited to announce that we are hosting a Royals Hockey Fundraiser this year! The CTS PAC will be selling tickets at discounted prices for several Royals hockey games during the season (Tickets are only \$15!). You can home game tickets for the following dates: November 4<sup>th</sup>, January 5<sup>th</sup>, and February 17<sup>th</sup> and help CTS fundraise. On the February 17<sup>th</sup> game we will also be selling 50/50 draw tickets (half the proceeds from the night go to the PAC). Watch for additional information coming home with your child about volunteer needs and ticket purchasing. To order tickets now for the November 4, 2017 game email Maureen at: [ctspac.maureen@gmail.com](mailto:ctspac.maureen@gmail.com). Tickets are selling fast for our November 4<sup>th</sup> game so contact us to purchase your tickets.

### *Poinsettia Fundraiser*

An order form came home this week in your child's agenda. This is another popular fundraiser for CTS PAC. All order forms must be returned to school by Thursday November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The orders will be ready to pick up the end of November and beginning of December. Pick up date choices are on the order forms.

## **DISTRICY AND COMMUNITY UPDATES:**

### *Saanich Water Polo*

Saanich Water Polo School (SWPS) is pleased to extend an invitation to your Grade 1-5 child to try the sport of water polo for free this fall at Saanich Commonwealth Place Pool Sundays 5pm-6pm. Please see postcard invite link for contact information. <https://cloverdale.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/63/2015/10/Full-page-photo-8.pdf>