SPUL'U'KWUKS NEWS

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the hand q amin am (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.



Dates for Your Calendar

- Oct. 29: Early Dismissal at 1:45pm for Conferences
- Oct. 30: Early Dismissal at 1:45pm for Conferences
- Oct. 31: Halloween
- Nov. 10: Remembrance Day Assembly
- Nov. 11: Remembrance Day (School Closed)
- Nov. 13/14: PAC Family Photo Nights
- Dec. 1: ProD Day (no school for students)
- Dec. 2: Report Cards available online after school
- Dec. 4: Winter Concert for Parents 9am/ Winter Concert for Students 1pm
- Dec. 5: Last day before Winter Break
- Jan. 5: Return to school



The Great Pumpkin Contest

The excitement is building as Halloween gets closer! To add to the fun, students are able to learn more about pumpkins and guess the weight of these large pumpkins by thinking mathematically. By using strategies and skills to reason, compare, and estimate, students can take on the challenge. The winners will be announced on Friday at our Halloween Assembly.

Donations of extra candy can be dropped off at the office from November 3rd to 7th. The candy will be distributed on the downtown eastside.

Halloween in Richmond!

The City of Richmond is offering over 20 spooktacular Halloween-inspired events and programs to choose from throughout the city (October 18-31).

- Halloween Hoot at the Richmond Nature Park (Oct. 18-29)
- Halloween Fireworks Festival at Minoru Park (Oct. 31)
- Halloween Family Skates (Oct. 31-Nov. 2)
- <u>Click here</u> to see more "fa-boo-lous" fun for everyone!





HALLOWEEN AT SPUL'U'KWUKS

As we get closer to October 31st, you may be wondering what Halloween looks like at Spul'u'kwuks. Students and staff are welcome to wear costumes appropriate for a school setting. Remember, some of our youngest eagles are still only four years old and we want to make sure that Halloween is a fun day for them.

We will begin the day with a costume parade and a Halloween assembly for staff and students. After recess, we will have our first Family Teams activity of the year. In Family Teams, we assign students and staff to multi-aged groups and we come together for fun activities throughout the year. Students have the opportunity to get to know kids in other grades and work together to show teamwork and leadership. Family Teams will also be our Sports Day Teams at the end of the year.

We can't wait to see what creative and fun costumes arrive at school on Halloween! Parents, why not join in the fun and wear a costume when you drop your child off at school?



SENSITIVITY AND RESPECT

We must be sensitive that Halloween needs to be fun for everyone, and for that reason, the district has guidelines around costumes to ensure that groups are not marginalized by others' costumes. If you follow these guidelines, it will help us all have fun!

Please keep in mind that costumes based on the following are **NOT** appropriate:

- changing RACE
- imitating CULTURES (traditional cultural clothing is not considered a costume)
- wearing clothing from/portraying people of RELIGIOUS FAITH
- switching GENDER for humour or to mock
- TRAUMA related to violence, gore, or weapons. No weapons, no exceptions!

We thank you for your cooperation!





HALLOWEEN CANDY DONATIONS ACCEPTED HERE!

McMath Leadership students are supporting a project known as THE GOOD SHEPHERD which assists the homeless women on the Lower Eastside of Vancouver. 7 days a week, 365 days a year - GOOD SHEPHERD volunteers provide homeless women with candy bags, food, hope, and encouragement. It is not unusual for them to give out 90 candy bags per night.

In support of this project Spul'u'kwuks is collecting any LEFTOVER HALLOWEEN CANDY.

Please hand in your candy / chocolate donations to the office.

Thank you for your support!!!

