



Roosevelt Park Community School

École Communautaire Roosevelt Parc

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Ha'lilaxsits'a'ax:

November is the time to harvest clams.

Opt dz'dp sa ko'olt. Je me souviens. Lest we forget.

November is the month we remember those who fight for us to be free.



Roosevelt: School Newsletter #3

Dear Roosevelt families,

With Halloween over it is time to get ready for Remembrance Day. It is a time of remembering those who fought and continue to fight for our freedom in Canada. Please check out the following websites, with your children, for more information on both National Aboriginal Veteran's Day (November 8th, 2020) and Remembrance Day (November 11th, 2020).

<https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance/people-and-stories/indigenous-peoples>

<https://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/remembrance>

Remembrance Day Assembly

We will be holding our virtual Remembrance Day Assembly on Tuesday, November 10th during the morning. Teachers will advise all students that this is a somber assembly that will not feature clapping and cheering, please feel free to explain this to your child(ren) at home. Thank you.

Remembrance Day poppies will be available by donation from the office.



November 11th - No School

Just a reminder that there is no school on November 11th due to Remembrance Day.

Pajama Day

What's better than wearing your pajamas to school? Not much! Please wear your pajamas but remember it's cold and dress in layers.

Good-bye and Welcome Back

We are sad to say good-bye to our school team member, Violet Baker. Ms. Baker will be continuing her good work with students at Prince Rupert Middle School. We are pleased to welcome back to Roosevelt, Sonny Henry, who will continue to connect with our students and families.

Professional Development Day – no school for students

There will be no school on **Friday, November 27th**. Our school staff will be involved in various professional development activities on that day.

Weather is Changing

It is fall in Prince Rupert, which as we know, means that it can be sunny in the morning and raining in the afternoon. Please make sure your child(ren) are dressed for all types of weather. We rarely stay

inside for recess and lunch recess as the children need to be able to run around outside and get some fresh air.

Cold Weather Clothing

Many generous individuals and organizations of Prince Rupert have donated a number of winter coats to our school. Some of the items are too small or too big for our students. If you have a toddler or preschooler or an older child that needs a winter coat, please contact our Aboriginal Resource Worker, Sonny Henry. He can be reached at our school number: 250-624-6126.

Drumming with Marlene Clifton

During October and most of November, Marlene Clifton will be drumming with all our classes at Roosevelt. Ms. Clifton has been teaching Prince Rupert students to drum and sing for many years and we feel very lucky to have her with us. Ms. Clifton teaches classes to perform local Ts'msyen songs, as well as songs from other neighbouring nations. Ms. Clifton has been joined by Ms. Chantel Brown, as her apprentice.

Roosevelt Cedar Awards

Starting in October Roosevelt students began to be recognized for six important virtues complementing the Core Competencies of the BC Curriculum found by clicking the following link: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/competencies>. The virtues are: Creative Thinking, Perseverance, Self-Reflection, Collaboration, Communication and Respect. In addition, each staff member will be able to give out *Cedar Slips* to students who they see exemplifying one or more of the six virtues. During the assembly 5 students will be drawn to receive a special prize.

Drinks



If you have not already done so, please send a labelled water bottle to school with your child. We have water filling stations available for students in every classroom. Water is also **good** for your brain. Please consider NOT sending sugary drinks, such as sodas, which can cause a spike and then crash in energy. Please do NOT send energy drinks, as there are concerns about the effects on a child's health.



Purdy's Chocolate Orders (Fundraiser)

Our Parent Advisory Committee is fundraising with a Purdy's Chocolate Order. Catalogues and order forms have gone home with your child(ren). You can also order online: <https://fundraising.purds.com/join.aspx>. Our fundraising code is: **35886**. The due date for orders is November 23rd, 2020. Orders will be available for pick up on December 7th, 2020. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Messages from families

Please remember to make all special arrangements for your child(ren) in the morning. Although we are happy to assist you, messages to students after school can get lost over the buzz of end of day activities. These messages should be for emergency only. Thank you.

Important Dates to Mark on your Calendar:

- November 8th: Remembrance Day assembly, virtual
- November 11th: Remembrance Day – the school is closed
- November 26th: Pajama Day
- November 27th: Professional development day – No School

Sincerely,
Andrée Michaud,
Principal

Cindy Stevenson
Vice-Principal