

next week at colquitz

friday, september 22, 2023

THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

Hello Colquitz Families,

A big thank you to all of the families and staff who came out last night to our Open House. It was a lovely evening with sunshine, pizza, and connection. I particularly enjoyed the opportunity to get to know more parents and students. I appreciate the warm welcome people have given me, and all of the support.

This past week we had PISE (Pacific Institute for Sport Education) come in to work with PE classes. They play a variety of games with students to work on physical literacy and have fun. We appreciate their bringing fresh ideas and faces to both staff and students as they learn about the joys of being active.

Today staff learned in more depth around the weaving together of inclusive practices, culturally-responsive teaching, core competencies, First Peoples Principles of Learning, and Proficiency-Scale assessments. This may sound like a lot of different things, but best practices support and reinforce one another. It was a wonderful day of connecting and learning alongside colleagues to best support students.

It looks like we may have more beautiful weather ahead! Enjoy it while you can, and have a wonderful weekend with your families.

Carrie Schlappner — Principal



MUSIC UPDATE

All Music Classes are up and running with instruments. **If your child is in one of our Music Programs—Band, Choir, or Strings**, please make sure to order your Fine Arts Uniform t-Shirt if you have not already. The order form is attached to this NWAC email.

Music Shirt Costs are: New \$12 and Used \$7.



next week at a glance

Monday, Sept 25 *Yom Kippur*

Tuesday, Sept 26

Wednesday, Sept 27

Thursday, Sept 28

Friday, Sept 29 **Orange Shirt Day (for National Day for Truth & Reconciliation) & Assembly**

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upcoming important dates—mark your calendars!

Saturday, Sept 23	<i>Bi Visibility Day</i>
Saturday, Sept 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
Monday, October 2	<i>NO SCHOOL in observance of National Day for Truth & Reconciliation</i>
Thursday, Oct 5	<i>International Teacher's Day</i>
Friday, Oct 6	SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Monday, Oct 9	Thanksgiving—No School
Tuesday, Oct 10	<i>World Mental Health Day</i>
Wednesday, Oct 11	<i>National Coming Out Day</i>
Tuesday, Oct 17	<i>PAC Meeting—6:30pm in Library</i>
Wednesday, Oct 18	<i>Grade 6 Immunizations</i>
Thursday, Oct 19	<i>The Great Shake Out</i>
Friday, Oct 20	ProD Day—No School for students

Tour De Rock Ride- By – October 5th at 11 am, in front of the school on Interurban Rd.

Classes are invited to cheer the riders on as they continue their journey in support of children with cancer and their families. In the coming days we are collecting 'Coins for Cancer.' Students are encouraged to bring in to their class any pocket change they can spare as a donation to support Tour De Rock.



NEXT WEEK IN SPORTS

There is a **X-Country Meet** after school at **Lambrick School Field** on **Monday, September 25th**. **Touch Rugby** has a game after school at **Shoreline** on **Tuesday, September 26th**. **Ultimate Game** after school at **Victor Brodeur** on **Wednesday, September 27th**. Please see here for schedules of seasons of sport competitions:



<https://lowerislandschoolsports.ca/middle->



Please see the attached information from **Esquimalt Neighbourhood House**. They are hosting an Island Sexual Health workshop, **The Approachable Adult**, next **Thursday, Sept 28th from 5:30pm-7:00pm**. (At 511 Constance Avenue) This is for parents and any adults that have children 8-18 years old in their lives.

Folks can register with via email jbelleveau@enh.bc.ca or phone 250-385-2635 ext. 207