

next week at colquitz

friday, november 3, 2023

THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

Hello Colquitz Families,

It was a Happy Hallowe'en at Colquitz! I enjoyed getting to see the traditions here, including the Pumpkin Decorating Contest and the Costume Parade. I was impressed with the artistry of the pumpkins, and with how many staff and students dressed up. A large number of staff went as a Barbie or Ken from Barbie World, and most of our EAs went as MnMs. Enjoy the photos!

Please note that Photo Retakes are on Thursday of next week. It is also Indigenous Veterans Day on Wednesday, and we will hold our Remembrance Day ceremony on Friday. Families are welcome to join us.

Have a wonderful weekend with your friends and families.

- Carrie Schlappner
Principal



next week at a glance

Monday, Nov 6

Tuesday, Nov 7

Wednesday, Nov 8

Thursday, Nov 9

Friday, Nov 10

Indigenous Veterans Day

PHOTO RETAKES

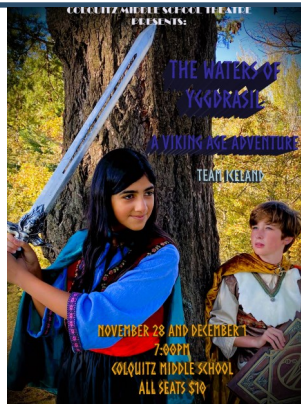
Remembrance Day Assembly @ 10:45am

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upcoming important dates—*mark your calendars!*

Monday, Nov 13	NO SCHOOL—Remembrance Day, Observed
Monday, Nov 20	ProD Day—NO SCHOOL for Students
Tuesday, Nov 21	PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm in Library
Friday, Nov 24	Spirit Day—Neon
Week of Nov 27th	Fall Play—Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday @ 7pm
Wednesday, Nov 29	CC Day—early dismissal @ 11:45 for excused students
Thursday, Nov 30	Fall Play @ 7pm
Friday, Dec 1	Fall Play @ 1pm (students only) and 7pm
Sunday, Dec 3	<i>International Day for Persons with Disabilities</i>
Thursday, Dec 7	<i>Hanukkah Begins</i>
Sunday, Dec 10	<i>Human Rights Day</i>
Wednesday, Dec 13	Winter Concert—1:15 performance (for students) and 7pm (for families)



Colquitz Middle School Theatre proudly presents our Fall Play,

"The Waters of Yggdrasil: A Viking Age Adventure"

Erik the Red and his children are struggling to maintain order in the new Viking settlement in Greenland, when an unexpected event shakes them to their very core. The children and their friends set off on an adventure battling elves, giants, dwarves, and other mystical creatures to save the settlement and

clear their father's name. Will they make it back to Greenland in time, or will the tides turn against them? Find out when you watch this exciting tale of medieval mayhem!

Performances are **Nov. 27-Dec 1st at 7:00pm here in our own drama room. All tickets are \$10 each and available through the following links.**

Team Greenland (Nov. 27 and Nov. 30 at 7:00pm) <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/78381>



Prepare for the Weather



It's fall, with hints of winter. The rain and cold are here.

PLEASE ensure your child brings a coat and clothing appropriate for the weather EVERY DAY.

Students are expected to be outside for breaks, PE, and other learning activities.

If you need assistance with this, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Schlappner at cschlappner@sd61.bc.ca

Please email colquitz@sd61.bc.ca

AND your child's teacher if your child will be late or absent,



sent, or call the Attendance Line at 250-479-4313.

This is the best way to ensure we get the message and a call-out does not go out to you in error. **Thank you**

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Parent Education Panel Discussion



Weds Nov 8
6:30-8pm



Spectrum Community School
957 Burnside Road

Post Pandemic Impacts on Youth



Dr. Reka Gustafson Chief Medical
Health Officer, Island Health



Mia Golden, Counsellor &
Cst Gord Magee MYST
(Mobile Youth Support Team)

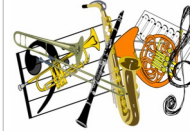


Cst. Mark Jenkins
Victoria Police



Seating is limited. Please book
your spot on [EventBrite](#)

FINE ARTS UPDATE



The **Greater Victoria Youth Orchestra** will be doing a performance for the school on **Wednesday, November 8th in the afternoon**. It will be followed by a workshop with Grade 8 Band.

Now that Mrs. Montgomery has access to class emails, please read the **November update she sent out on Tuesday night**. The one thing that was missed was the actual **Purdy's order form**, which is attached to the NWAC email. **Please check the websites of the Fine Arts teachers for updates.**

**And....
Practice, practice, practice!!! :)**

SPORTS @ COLQUITZ

Basketball practices and games are underway! Here is the Master Basketball practice/game schedule for Colquitz. □

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eIKFA2Qks8urN1VoNR0wRp-1DIC_erbwflf-a_Golk/edit?usp=sharing



BASKETBALL

Monday:

Girls 6 Comp practice 7:30
Boys 6/7 intramurals lunch
Girls/boys comp games after school at Colquitz
Boys 7/8 Rec game at Shoreline

Tuesday:

Girls 7/8 practice at lunch
Girls 6 Comp game after school at Colquitz

Wednesday:

7/8 boy's rec practice at lunch
7/8 Girls/Boys comp double header at Colquitz

Thursday:

Boys rec 7/8
practice 7:45 am
Boys 6/7 intramurals at lunch
Boys 7/8 Comp practice after school

Friday:

Girls 6 Comp practice at 7:30 am
Girls 7/8 Comp practice at lunch
Boys 7/8 Comp practice after school
Swim practice? (Confirming with pool)

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Pizza Hot Lunch Thursdays – Order yours now!



This is a reminder that we have opened sales for **Pizza Lunches on Thursdays**, for the month of November.

In the last week of each month, families can order pizza for the next month. **December sales will open on November 30th, and January sales will open on Thursday, December 21st and CLOSE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 8th at NOON. The first Pizza Day will be in the New Year will be Jan 11th,**

Please note that you **need to order WEEK TO WEEK**, thus giving you the option to skip weeks if you so choose. **You must get your orders in each week BY MONDAY AT NOON.** There can be no exceptions.

Please note that there are no refunds for unclaimed pizza. Parents – you can arrange to pick up your order the same day or transfer it to another student **if you inform us by 11am Thursdays at colquitz@sd61.bc.ca or call 250-479-1678.**

Here is the link to School Cash Online to make your order:

<https://sd61.schoolcashionline.com/>

Community Rugby offering:

REGISTER NOW FOR LEVEL 1 OFFICIATING COURSE IN VICTORIA!



November 11 Course aimed at youth participants and Age-Grade Coaches

<https://bcrugby.com/register-now-for-level-1-officiating-course-at-james-bay/>



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'intheknow' Connect and Learn

For families and caring adults who are parenting a child or youth with mental health and/or substance use challenges.

EVERY MONTH, WE HOST EVENTS FOR FAMILIES CALLED 'IN THE KNOW'. WE WATCH A VIDEO AND SHARE EXPERIENCES AND STRATEGIES THAT HELP IN THE HARD MOMENTS. WE HELP FOCUS ON STRENGTHENING OUR UNDERSTANDING AND CONNECTION WITH OUR KIDS.

Emotion Regulation

Young people face many different stressors in today's world. This can often lead to feelings of overwhelm and dysregulation. This event offers support to parents and caregivers with information and strategies to cope with emotion dysregulation and will talk about the critical role that parents and caregivers play in creating the environment for positive change for their young people especially when things can be the most challenging.

Come together with other families to watch this 35 minute video presentation followed by a 40 minute facilitated discussion by a FamilySmart Parent Peer Support Worker.



Cost: Free of Charge

Date(s):

Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 6:00pm (PST)
Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 6:30pm (PST)
Thursday, November 16, 2023, 12:00pm (PST)
Tuesday, November 21, 2023, 6:00pm (PST)
Thursday, November 23, 2023, 6:30pm (PST)

Registration required:

www.familysmart.ca/events



FREE GANG EDUCATION & TRENDS - SEMINAR



REGISTER
NOW!

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17TH
6:30 - 8:30PM
ROYAL OAK MIDDLE
SCHOOL

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND GANG TRENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY

- Understand current and local gang-related activity
- Identify early risk factors
- Awareness and education on social media/substance use trends
- Importance of accessing community-based supports
- Parent Resources and Guides
- Live Q&A
- Prize Draw - Free One Time Saanich Rec Drop In Passes

Saanich Police in collaboration with Central Saanich, Oak Bay, Victoria Police Departments and partnership with Saanich Community Services Youth Division.



communityengagement@saanichpolice.ca www.saanich.ca/youth 250.475.7600

Registration Link: [Activity detail](#) | [RecOnline](#)

activecommunities.com

**Friday November 17th
6:30 - 8:30pm**



SOGI PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

**Wednesday November 8th
6:30-8:00 pm**

Join BC SOGI 123 Lead, Zakary Myers, and Mischa Oak in this information session to learn more about the SOGI-inclusive environments in our schools. SOGI awareness and allyship strategies will also be shared.

This will be a virtual session.

A recording of this session will be available at <https://learn.sd61.bc.ca/sogi/> until December 20, 2023.

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING](#)

One Learning Community



WRESTLING

NOVEMBER 2, 2023 START

MEET @ SPECTRUM
SCHOOL CAFETERIA



BEGINNERS
WELCOME!
ALL GRADES
ALL HIGH
SCHOOLS

IG @VICTORIAWRESTLINGCLUB

TUES/THUR PRACTICES 4:00-5:30 PM
VICTORIAWRESTLINGCLUB@GMAIL.COM