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THIS WEEK'S REFLECTION

What a way to end October! It was a sppooookkkkyyy and fun Hallowe'en here at Colquitz. Enjoy the photos of our day!



Thank you to all of the family members who came to Parent-Teacher Conferences on Wednesday. It is always wonderful to connect in person around our amazing students, and work together as a team to support them. Also, a big thank you to everyone who purchased from our Book Fair. This raises important funds for our Library.

We also want to share gratitude for our PAC and the parent volunteers who made sure everyone who purchased apples from the Sun-Oka fundraiser got them during Parent-Teacher Conferences. If you didn't get any this year, keep an eye out next fall – the apples are delicious and high quality.



As we move into November, please remember that without Daylight Savings, it will be dark as students travel to school for the next few months. We will be raising awareness around this on Friday, November 6th, which is "Let's Get Visible Day". Everyone is encouraged to wear bright, neon colours and reflective items. We will also have some giveaways for students.



If you have not already planned around this, we suggest putting reflective tape on backpacks and winter jackets. We also ask that families review safe behaviours while travelling to school, including mapping out which routes to school have the best lighting, staying alert and aware while in dark areas, and making sure to look both ways and making sure cars stop before crossing roads.





Have a wonderful Hallowe'en weekend full of fun, candy, and time together.

Thanks, and have a wonderful weekend with your friends and families.

- Carrie Schlappner, Principal

next week at glance

Monday, Nov 02	CPAPA meeting @ 6.30pm
Tuesday, Nov 03	
Wednesday, Nov 04	Theater Pull Out Starts
Thursday, Nov 05	
Friday, Nov 06	Indigenous Student lunch

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Upcoming important dates – *mark your calendars!*

Tuesday, Nov 10	Wreath Bearer Practice @10am Remembrance Day Assembly @ 10.45am
Wednesday, Nov 11	***Remembrance Day (NO SCHOOL)***
Friday, Nov 13	Theatre Pull Out-PM
Monday, Nov 16	Lockdown Drill
Thursday, Nov 19	Spirit Day
Friday, Nov 20	Transgender Day of Remembrance World Children's Day
Monday, Nov 23	Fire Drill @9am CC Day #1 Early Dismissal @ 11.45am
Wednesday, Nov 25	Theatre Pull Out Ends



Thank you for all your support with the Book Fair! Together, we raised almost $900 to purchase new books for the library. We really appreciate your help building Colquitz's library collection.



Please email colquitz@sd61.bc.ca AND your child's teacher if your child will be late or absent,

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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MUSIC UPDATES

Updates:

- Dates for tour are April 16-17th, 2027!
- Term check-in #1 has been assigned to students. They are due Thursday, November 12th. More information is available on google classroom or via Katherine Forster's email.
- Please make sure your students have their instruments, folders, and a pencil for **every class.** Several students show up without them in each class.
- Please make sure they have joined the google classroom. Currently, 38 out of about 60 students have accepted the invitation. They can log in using their student number @sd61learn.ca and the password they use to log into a Chromebook.
- If your student needs help, **please** have them come in during a nut break/lunch recess! Ms. Forster's availability is listed below.
- For students in band 7/8, please look for your uniform and make sure it still fits! Remembrance day is only a few weeks away.

MUSIC Schedule: If students don't have their instrument, they are still expected to attend classes.

Monday:

9:36-10:18: Choir 6
10:33- 11:15: Choir 8
11:15-11:57: Choir 7
1:02: Beginner Strings
1:44: Intermediate/ Advanced strings

Tuesday:

Before School 7:40-8:35: Band 7/8 Combined, Choir 6
8:54-9:36: Band 6 Orange (With instruments, please!)
9:36-10:18: Band 6 Green
11:57-12:42: JAZZ BAND (right at 11:57) Grade 7/8

Wednesday:

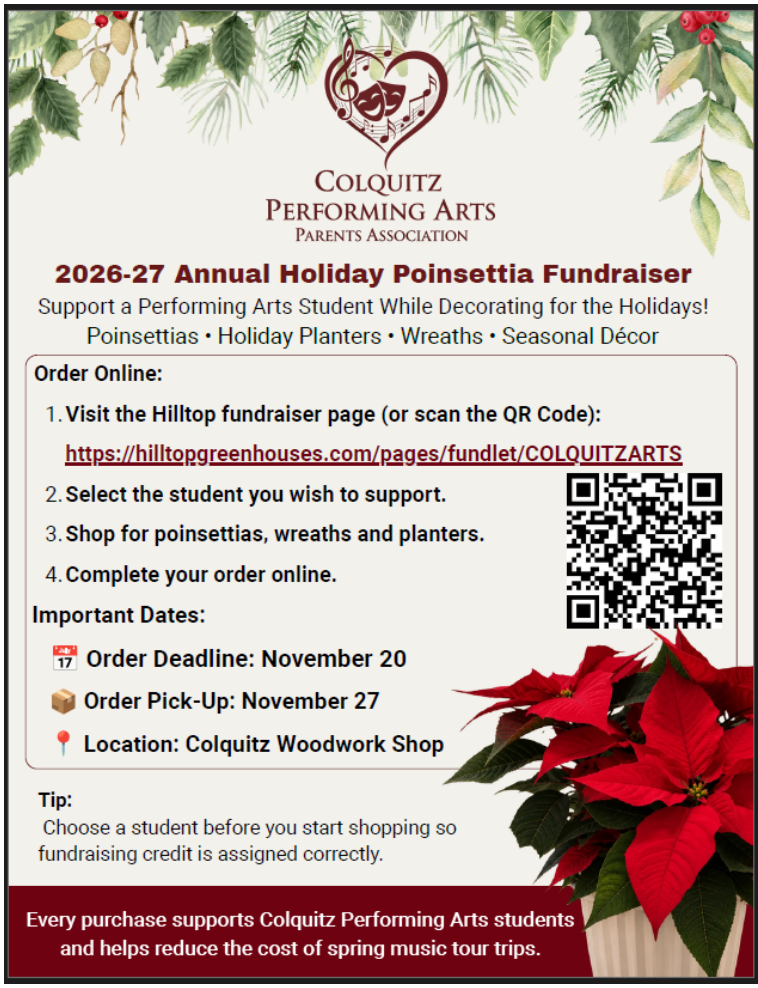
Before School 7:40-8:35: Band 6 BRASS, BASS AND PERCUSSION. (students in both pods who play trumpet, trombone, euphonium, AND percussion are called. All other students do not need to attend this week.) Choir 7/8
10:33-11:15: Band 7
11:15-11:57: Band 8

Thursday:

Before School 7:40-8:35: Jazz Band
9:36-10:18: Band 6 Orange
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Friday:

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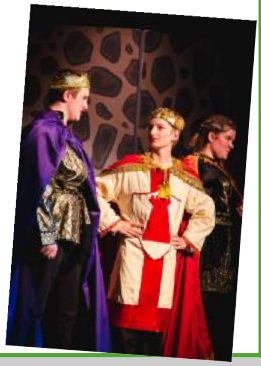


THEATRE

Wrath of the Buried King Rehearsals After School this week:

Monday: Aetheric, Goblins, Baza
Tuesday: NO REHEARSAL TODAY
Wednesday: Theatre pullout begins: 1:45 4:00pm all cast called
Thursday: Kulshedra's lair (Kulshedra, Pip, Eghan, Aoife, stage crew operating the dragon)





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COLQUITZ SPORTS AT A GLANCE

November 2-6	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Before school		Girls 7/8 Comp Basketball Practice		Girls 7/8 Comp Basketball Practice	
Lunch practice	Girls 7/8 Comp Basketball Practice	Rec 7/8 Boys Basketball Practice	Intramural Basketball		
After school practice		Comp 7/8 boys basketball practice 3-5		Rec 7/8 boys basketball practice 3-5	Swim Club 3:15-4:00 Comp boys 7/8 basketball practice 3-5
Competition	Girls 7/8 comp @ home 3:45 Boys 7/8 comp @ home 5:00		Boys 7/8 Comp game @home 3:45 Girl 7/8 Comp basketball game @home 5:00		







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Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Our **online auction is just days away!** We have raised over **$6,000 in incredible items to bid on** where 100% of proceeds will help support student activities at Colquitz!
There is still time to **add items for the auction!** Families who have businesses or services, and are able to **donate prizes** are asked to please **contact us so we can add your contributions!** We will publicize this auction widely – this is a great way to **show your support for our school!**
The auction opens November 6 & closes November 20th.
This auction is open to the public, so please help spread the word!

Our next **PAC meeting** will be on **November 16 -** we hope you can join us at 6:30 PM in the school library! At this upcoming meeting, we will be approving our 2026/27 budget, including determining how to spend funds we have secured, and making plans depending on the outcome of our grants and fundraising. Please come and share your thoughts!

Finally - the **Tillicum School Winter Market** has invited **Colquitz PAC** to run a **bake sale** during their event on **November 21st**. All of our sales in this event will support our PAC at 100%. **Cookies and treats can be dropped off at Colquitz school on Friday November 20th** until 2:30 PM.
Helpers are also needed during the sale from **9:30 AM - 3:00 PM on Saturday November 21st.**

Sign up to bake or help: https://tinyurl.com/WinterBakeSaleQZ

Questions? Want to take part? Contact us:
colquitzmiddleschoolpac@gmail.com

