



NEWSLETTER

November 2007

Brrrrrrr.....

The days are getting shorter and cooler and there's even been frost on the windshield. Our chestnut tree outside is bare of leaves though there still is lots of colour on some other trees. What a *GLORIOUS* time of the year!

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held here at the school on October 25. We have a new board for 2007-2008 and here they are:

President..... Karen Fruitman
Vice-Pres. Tammy McNabb
Secretary..... Tammy Rail
Treasurer..... Simon Fandrey
Director..... Judy Deschamps

Welcome to all of you! We the teachers are looking forward to a productive, successful and exciting year.

The next meeting of the Board will be on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH** at 7:00 pm., here at the school. Parents are encouraged to attend.

The Board has decided to form 3 committees to deal with larger issues the school is dealing with. These are:

- 1) Judy Deschamps is spearheading the committee to handle **SCHOOL GROWTH**. As our returning families are aware, the school is continuing to grow and we want to be able to offer our families an education for their child all the way to Grade 7. Her son Dolan attends the Elementary class.
- 2) Tammy Rail, Brooklyn's mom, has taken on the committee to continue to improve **COMMUNICATION** with all our families and staff. Tammy's daughter Brooklyn is also in the Elementary classroom.
- 3) Tammy McNabb is spearheading the committee to look after **FUNDRAISING**. Should anyone have any ideas or wish to join this committee, please talk to Tammy. Tammy's son Dalton, attends preschool.

We're so sorry!

We were all so disappointed about the cancellation of our trip to the Pumpkin Patch. We did buy some pumpkins to carve with the class and some of the children even tasted the roasted pumpkin seeds Miss Destin brought in.

We are tossing around some ideas about another field trip here in town and will post any information as soon as it is firmed up.

Help!!!

Esteban's mom, Marianne, has signed up to do cooking with the children on Monday, November 5 in the afternoon SHE HAS NO ONE TO HELP HER!!!! Could someone please help out?? It's a lot of fun for both the children and the volunteer parents and we even have sample recipes you can use. Just talk to Marianne outside or to one of the teachers and we will get you all hooked up.
Thank you!

Changes, changes

Very important!

PICTURE DAY HAS BEEN CHANGED....

We have moved Picture Day from Wednesday, November 7 to TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 due to conflicts with the music classes.

All children who DO NOT attend on Tuesdays are to come for the pictures only. We will post the time to arrive as soon as possible.

And REMEMBER, no school on Monday, November 12, (Remembrance Day)

ALSO...

Changes are happening with the PARENT/TEACHER interviews. The Kindergarten children **WILL NOT** attend on Tuesday, November 20, as stated on the school's calendar. Both the preschool and Kindergarten will have Monday and Tuesday off for interviews. We ask that your child not attend with you if at all possible. In the past, some parents have arranged with another parent to watch their children outside. A sign-up sheet will be posted shortly. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

And some more thanks to...

Chris Diersch for the kindergarten scrapbooks.

Lily Laverton again for taking the recycling.

Peter Gill for covering our Bingo obligation.

SCHOLASTIC orders are due FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

A GENTLE LITTLE REMINDER THAT...

THE SHARING BAG MUST COME BACK!! THANK YOU!

FOOD TIP OF THE MONTH

When serving your child's food, make sure the portions are small - he/she can always ask for seconds.

It's all Elementary

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School is humming along in the Elementary Classroom.

Please try and remember to send in a note with your child if they are absent from school for more than 2 days. Thank you. There's lots of things coming up in the classroom so read on, read on.

Please note these dates on the calendar.

The **CLASS PICTURES** have been changed to **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13th** due to scheduling conflicts with the music class.

The School will be closed on Monday, **NOVEMBER 12** for Remembrance Day.

Parent/Teacher interviews coming up on **November 19**. There will be no school that day. We ask that your child not attend the conferences if at all possible. Watch for a sign up sheet on our bulletin board. If this day does not work for you, please let us know. But, as always, please feel free to call if you have any questions or concerns.

Report cards will be issued on **Monday, December 3rd**

The class plans to have four one hour sessions at Quantum Gymnastics. The dates for this are:

Thursday, November 8th, 15th, 22nd and December 6th. Permission forms and

requests for volunteers drivers will be coming home soon.

The older children, Kristina, Angela, Elizabeth, Dolan and Hannah will be attending the Vancouver Symphony on **Wednesday, November 14th.**

Please note...

Our concert time has been changed to 12 noon. Ms. Tricia, the students and parent drivers will be leaving the school at 10am.

Boo!

The Halloween themed party planned by the older Elementary children for the younger ones was a huge success. The 3 puppet shows they wrote were very well received. We saw lots of

smiles when the younger group presented the "party planners" with a thank you letter.

Also, thank you to all the parents who helped out by providing decorations and/or snacks.

and finally...

The second great story for the Montessori curriculum this year is the "**coming of life in the seas**".

This will be presented later this month.