**Port Guichon Newsletter**





October Edition

**Dates to Remember:**

* **October 2**

Day of Truth and Reconciliation

* **October 3-6**

Thanksgiving Food Drive

* **October 6**

PAC after school Popcorn sale

* **October 9**

THANKSGIVING

* **October 11**

PAC Hot Lunch

* **October 12**

2:00 pm Early Dismissal

2:15 start Parent Teacher Conferences

* **October 12**

Gr 3-7 after school Holly Track Meet

* **October 13**

PAC Movie Night

* **October 17**

2:00 pm Early Dismissal

2:15 start Parent Teacher Conferences

* **October 20**

Professional Day

* **October 25**

PAC Hot Lunch

* **October 27**

PAC PM Halloween Fair

* **November 3**

Photo retake day

PAC after school Popcorn sale

**Principal’s Message**

The crisp morning air and the beautiful fall colours make this a wonderful time of year to be out and about in the community. Thank you to the Delta IceHawks, Delta Police, and all of our families for running and cheering us on for our Terry Fox Run.

I also loved seeing all of the fun and funky dance moves at the Glow Dance last week. Our Staff and our PAC have been hard at work and we have lots of events to look forward to throughout October.

Our Cross-Country team will be running every morning next week at 8:15AM to prepare for the Pumpkin Run at Holly on Thursday, Oct. 12th. We have more than twenty athletes from Grades 3-7 signed up for a great Ladner event.

The pumpkins are coming! Thanks to a generous donation, many of our classes will be carving or painting their pumpkins to take home on Friday the 13th (how lucky is that!)

The Halloween Fair will be held on the 27th and I can't wait to see all of the costumes. Our Halloween Parade will be another opportunity to use those costumes (or maybe you can't choose between two?) on the 31st. We are planning to hold the parade in the morning this year so stay tuned for more details. An early reminder as you are creating or choosing your costumes is that we do not allow fake weapons at school and that characters and costumes should not be offensive or culturally inappropriate.

We are also looking forward to seeing everyone for Parent-Teacher conferences on Thursday the 12th and Tuesday the 17th. Please remember to book your time on Parent Connect.

Thank you for remembering that our front traffic circle is for buses only for most of the morning drop off, as well as during the afternoon pick up. Our traffic situation has improved greatly as we focus on the safety of all of our students.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. We hope you have a fun-filled holiday weekend.

Danica Palmer

Principal

Happy Fall,

Mrs. Palmer

**Terry Fox Run**



Thank you to everyone who contributed to “Twoonies for Terry”. Port Guichon amazingly raised $382 that has been forwarded to the Terry Fox Foundation raising money for cancer research.

Thank you to the many parents that help spot and support the students run through the community. Special thank you to the families and the Ice Hawks who ran with the crew.



**Thanksgiving Food Drive**

Thank you for the generous donations of food items to help support South Delta Food Bank. Many boxes of non-perishable items have been collected to support this great community cause.

**Assistance Dog at Port Guichon**

An Assistance Dog named Kansas is attending school supporting one of our students. Please see the attached information sheet for more information.

We will be sharing information with all students on how to conduct themselves around an Assistance Dog. For example, Assistance Dogs should never be distracted from their work and the assistance they provide to the student (i.e., no petting, no feeding).

**Holly Pumpkin Run**

PG’s Grade 3 to 7 Cross-Country Team will be participating in a Pumkin Run at Holly Elementary after school on Thursday, October 12, 2023. Permission forms went home and are also available at the office. Drivers will be needed.

**Gr 6&7 Volleyball**

Grade 6&7 Volleyball will be ­­starting again! Notices with practice and game schedules will be sent home shortly.

**Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, October 12 from 2:15 to 6­­­­­­­­­ pm and on Tuesday, October 17th from 2:15 to 6:00 pm. Students will be dismissed at 2:00 pm on both those days. Appointments are scheduled every 15 minutes. All conferences are booked using our Parent Connect Interview Booking System. .

**Photo Retakes**

Friday, November 3rd is the date of our Photo Retakes!

**Spirit Wear**

We will be looking at organizing an opportunity to order PG Spirit Wear later this month. Stay tuned for details!

**PAC News**

PAC is working hard for you offering Movie Nights and an upcoming Halloween Fair on October 28th in the evening in the gym – more details to follow. Also details of the World’s Finest Chocolate Fundraiser is attached!

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**Hot Lunch**: PAC is has set up the Hot Lunch Dates and ordering system with the Muncha-a-Lunch program. More information and direct links to order are found on the school website. If you are having problems accessing Munch-a-Lunch, please contact [portguichonpac@gmail.com](mailto:portguichonpac@gmail.com) .

**Upcoming PAC Events:**

Oct 6th – Popcorn Sale after school – Gr 6/7 Camp Fundraiser

Oct 11th – PAC Hot Lunch – Subway

Oct 12th – Neufeld Orders pick up 6pm

Oct 13th – PAC Spirit Day – Wacky Hair Day

Oct 13th – PAC Movie Night - Doors open at 5:30pm, movie starts at 6pm.

Oct 25th – PAC Hot Lunch – Fresh Slice

Oct 27th – Halloween Fair - TBC

**NEXT PAC MEETING**:

The next PAC meeting will be held Wednesday, October 18th at 6:30 in the Library. We hope to see you all there!