OTTER NEWS

October 16, 2023

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| **Upcoming Events** |
| **Date** | **Event** |
| October 17 | Boys Volleyball – Home Game @ 2:40pm |
| October 18 | Girls Volleyball – Home Game @ 2:40pmDeadline for ORDERING McDonald’s Hot Lunch (Oct. 26th is Hot Lunch) |
| October 19 | Interim Reports Go Out |
| October 20 | Provincial Pro-D Day (school not in session) |
| October 24 | Photo Retake Day |
| October 23-26 | Scholastic Book Fair |
| October 25 | Parent-Teacher Conferences – 2:00 – 4:00 (1 hour early dismissal. **Students released at 1:08PM)** |
| October 26 | Parent-Teacher Conferences – 2:00 – 7:00 (1 hour early dismissal. **Students released at 1:08PM)** |
| October 30 | Grade 6 Immunizations |
| October 31 | Halloween Costume Parade & Assembly |

**Interim Reports**

A link was sent to each family to book parent-teacher conferences. This is a great opportunity to connect with your child’s classroom teacher about things that are going well and areas of growth for the first term. If you have not yet booked your appointment, please make sure you do that this week. If you have any issues please let the office know so we can assist you with setting up an appointment.

**Spring Musical**

Auditions have begun and announced each day so please remind your child if they have signed up they need to keep their ears open for their names on the announcements. Rehearsals start in November, and our show will run March 5th and 6th, 2024!

**Scholastic Book Fair**

It’s that time of year! We are grateful that our PAC can provide this opportunity for our student community to purchase a variety of the latest reading materials. The book fair runs October 23-26th. Students will have a chance to do a walk through during the school day and make purchases during lunch and after school. Parents are welcomed to make purchases after school or during parent-teacher conferences.

**Student Supply Fees**

As mentioned in previous emails, student supplies were distributed through the classroom this year. To cover the expense, we have organized student supply fees on schoolcashonline. Any family that requires assistance to cover the fees is asked to reach out to the office or administration.

**Reporting Absences**

The best way to ensure that on-call office staff receive your email is to either call the school and leave a message or email noeattendance@sd35.bc.ca

**Otter Athletics**

Volleyball games start this week on October 17th. The entire league schedule can be found here:

[Poppy Region Volleyball Schedule](https://langleyschoolsca-my.sharepoint.com/%3Ax%3A/g/personal/dwoelders_sd35_bc_ca/EeGRzm4QdoRMsjL8cBAj9bcBYa2D3jGZ6hYJbEpeNrLggQ?e=IfsJWd)

* Boys – Practices continue on Monday and Friday after school. Our first game is on Tuesday at North Otter with a start time approximately 2:40pm.
* Girls – Practices on Tuesday are TBD (Meeting at lunch on Monday to decide when practice will take place) and Wednesday at lunch. Our first game is on Wednesday at North Otter with a start time of approximately 2:40pm.

If you have not yet paid for the athletic fee it is $20 and it covers the cost of athletic gear (tshirt, water bottle, bag, etc.). Any family that needs assistance with cost, please reach out to admin.

We are looking for parent volunteers to help with refereeing. Please connect with the coach to inquire about volunteering.

**Grade 6 Immunizations**

For those parents who have elected to have their child receive immunizations. If your child is absent that day OR if they are resistant to being immunized at school, please call the Langley Health Unit at 604-539-2900 to book an individual appointment.

**District Resource**

***Erase Family Sessions: Establishing Safe, Caring, and Respectful Digital Communities***

Three virtual Erase learning sessions for families will be held on November 8th, 28th, and 30th, focusing on establishing safe, caring, and respectful digital communities. These sessions are best suited for families and youth aged 10 and above.

**News from PAC**

# **HOT LUNCH IS NOW OPEN!**

Ordering is open for all hot lunch dates through to December.

‼️Please note that all ordering closes 8 days prior to the actual hot lunch date. We cannot accept late orders.‼️

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**How to order:**

For NEW parents/caregivers to North Otter, please register for your Munchalunch account here: [https://munchalunch.com/schools/NorthOtter](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmunchalunch.com%2Fschools%2FNorthOtter&data=05%7C01%7CEDavenport%40sd35.bc.ca%7Cde10e22d4e44452ffe8608dbcade4376%7Cfcabfaaef80a4f74b6a7ba15c2a4bb24%7C0%7C0%7C638326828210744781%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=07Wj4Nn%2BhprKN84NyxreuvtudjbgpQUOguvP%2B%2FDw%2F4I%3D&reserved=0)

For RETURNING parents/caregivers, use the normal login: [https://munchalunch.com/login](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmunchalunch.com%2Flogin&data=05%7C01%7CEDavenport%40sd35.bc.ca%7Cde10e22d4e44452ffe8608dbcade4376%7Cfcabfaaef80a4f74b6a7ba15c2a4bb24%7C0%7C0%7C638326828210744781%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=FjHqSVkyIu7lUy4WLUVBlXVnsumn%2Fs%2BZuBHNi2iCvv4%3D&reserved=0)

\*You'll be asked to confirm your student(s) teacher/division for the new school year.

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**Upcoming dates:**

McDonalds - Thursday, Oct. 26 / order by Oct. 18

Subway - Thursday, Nov. 9 / order by Nov. 1

Pizza - Thursday, Nov. 16 / order by Nov. 8

McDonalds - Thursday, Nov. 30 / order by Nov. 22

Pizza - Thursday, Dec. 14 / order by Dec. 6

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If you have any questions, please email northotterpac@gmail.com

**Upcoming Events:**

**Santa Photo Sessions Fundraiser - November 20th | Sessions available from 3pm-8pm | $45**

**New this year!**

Your 5-minute session includes one downloadable digital group album with all of your photos. Each session includes a candy cane from Santa! Held at the school.

Sample images are viewable on the PAC Facebook page:

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**Book your session now!**

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**General news:**

Breakfast Club: Now open! 8:05am-8:20am in the multipurpose room (also the preschool area).

**Looking Ahead:**

We've been busy lining up fundraisers and events for the next few months.

Here's what you can expect to see soon:

October 23-26 - Scholastic Book Fair

Early November - Fall Neufeld Farms Ordering

Early November - Winter Greenery Fundraiser

November - Art Cards

November - Purdy's Holiday Fundraiser

November 20th - Santa Photo Sessions

December - Festive Pancake Breakfast

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**Ideas, Questions, Comments?**

Join the PAC Facebook Group where you'll be up-to-date on PAC activities, events, and fundraisers:

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/871816359874721](https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fgroups%2F871816359874721&data=05%7C01%7Cdwoelders%40sd35.bc.ca%7C34a7ce32880148826c5e08dbc2ce0bc6%7Cfcabfaaef80a4f74b6a7ba15c2a4bb24%7C0%7C0%7C638317962436689063%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=BAD4xJAHINX%2Bbfc95DSOpPE8D%2BeJe%2Bk%2FgW4hEz3dCJk%3D&reserved=0)