

NOEL BOOTH ELEMENTARY

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Hello Noel Booth Families!

This has been a busy month at NBE. I am particularly thankful for our vibrant and supportive school community. PAC organized an amazing **Trunk or Treat** event and decorated car trunks and handed out treats to our trick-or-treaters. It was fantastic way to celebrate Halloween in a safe and festive environment.

Another highlight of this month was the **Pumpkin Patch** event, also organized by our wonderful PAC and set up by our dedicated Grade 6-7 leadership students. Each class had the opportunity to visit the patch, pick out a pumpkin, and participate in fun, pumpkin-themed activities. A big thank you to our Grade 6-7 students for their hard work in setting up this event and to PAC for their continuous support. Pumpkins will be carved on October 31st.

As Halloween approaches, we want to ensure that all our students have a fun and safe experience. Here are some important safety tips to keep in mind:

- ❑ **Stay Visible:** Wear bright or reflective costumes and carry a flashlight or glow sticks. Always trick-or-treat with a group of friends or family members.
- ❑ **Use Crosswalks:** Always cross the street at designated crosswalks and look both ways before crossing.
- ❑ **Stay on Sidewalks:** Stick to sidewalks and avoid walking in the streets whenever possible.
- ❑ **Costume Safety:** Ensure costumes are not too long to prevent tripping and that masks do not obstruct vision.

Thank you everyone for your ongoing support and involvement in our school activities.

Regards,

J. Malo



Office Staff:

Principal-

Mr. J. Malo

Vice Principal-

Mrs. S. Banjac

Admin Assistant-

Ms. C. Inglis

Our Shared Mission:

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.” – Helen Keller

This timeless wisdom reminds us that when we come together, our combined strength and shared trust enable us to achieve remarkable things.

Staffing Updates

We are excited to introduce Mr. Nelson to the school. Mr. Nelson will take over the Monday/Friday job share position for Ms. Moir's class.

More Important News

Student Safety When Walking Home

With the days growing shorter and the potential for heavy rain, fog, and frost, we are sharing a reminder to all our students to take extra precaution when walking to and from school. Please be aware of your surroundings on school property and in public park spaces, walk with someone whenever possible, and avoid wearing headphones. We also ask drivers in our school community to be vigilant on our roads. We encourage families to speak with their children about what they can do to stay healthy and safe. Student safety is our priority. Thank you for your consideration and cooperation.

Informal learning Updates

ALL students in grades 1-7 should have received an informal learning update during the week of October 21-24. Updates may be in the form of a paper report, an email, or a phone call. This update was sent home for ALL students in grades 1 to 7. Please ask your child to see the learning update. Learning updates are not required to be sent back to the school. If you have any questions please speak directly with the teacher.

Lunch Lady Hot Lunch Program

The lunch lady offers hot lunch offerings every Thursday. Please refer to the weekly menu before ordering. Any parents with financial hardship who would like to access the fully subsidy, please contact Ms. Inglis.

Halloween Spirit Week: DRESS UP DAYS

Monday Oct 28th- Fall/Halloween Socks Day
Tuesday Oct 29th – Black, Orange, Purple Day
Wednesday Oct 30th – Spooky Hair Day
Thursday Oct 31st – Costume Day
Friday Nov 1st – Pajama Day



Upcoming Dates:

- ❑ Oct 21-24 Informal Learning Updates sent home/call home
- ❑ Oct 25 Provincial PD Day (no school)
- ❑ Oct 29 Aldor Acres Field Trips (K's)
- ❑ Oct 31 Pumpkin Carving
- ❑ Oct 31 Halloween
- ❑ Nov 7 Remembrance Day Assembly
- ❑ Nov 8 National Aboriginal Veterans Day
- ❑ Nov 8 Design & Assessment Day (no school)
- ❑ Nov 11 Remembrance Day- NO SCHOOL

Halloween Pumpkin Carving

- AM – Group 1 Pumpkin carves in the gym with buddies (9:00-10:00ish) AM - Group 2 Pumpkin carves in the gym with buddies (10:40-12:00ish). Pumpkins stay in the gym. PAC lights (electric) candles in the pumpkins in the gym.
- Halloween Parade starts at 1:45 in K and weaves its way through the school (last class is Wass Division 3). We will play music over the PA during this time. It ends in the gym and we see the carved pumpkins. We have a group song dance time (Monster Mash). Students go back to class with teachers. Students come back to the gym at the end of the day to pick up their pumpkin. **For parents, your children will likely need assistance in transporting the pumpkins home from the school.**



Halloween Expectations for Students- Costume Guidelines

- **Appropriateness:** Costumes should be school-appropriate and respectful of all cultures and identities. Avoid costumes that may be offensive or insensitive.
- **Safety:** Ensure that costumes do not obstruct vision or movement. Avoid masks that cover the entire face and costumes that include weapons or sharp objects.
- **Comfort:** Students should be able to participate in regular school activities comfortably. Costumes should not interfere with learning or physical activities.

Nov 7 Remembrance Day + National Aboriginal Veterans Day Assembly

Our assembly is scheduled for November 7th at 11am. Parents are welcome though seating is limited and first come first served.

Student Inclusive Conferences

Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter regarding Student Inclusive Conferences (SIC). Booking appointment registration will be shared in the next newsletter.

- Nov 14 Grade 6/7 Lego Workshop
- Nov 20 PAC Meeting
- Nov 25-Dec 9 Student Inclusive Conferences (SIC)
- Nov 26 Volleyball Jamboree @BSS
- Nov 27 SIC Day-classes not in session; student/parent appointments only
- Nov 28 2 hour early dismissal for SIC
- Nov 28 SIC evening session
- Nov 29 Grade 6 immunization #1

Grade 6 Immunizations

Please refer to the flyer at the end of the newsletter. It has information regarding the upcoming **Grade 6** Immunization Blitz which is scheduled for **visit #1 on November 29th 2024 and visit #2 on May 30th 2025**

PARENT CORNER:

As we continue to foster an inclusive and supportive environment for all our students, I want to follow up on our last parent corner blog on the importance of anti-racism education. Our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion is unwavering, and it is crucial that we work together to address and combat racism in all its forms. All staff, students and families deserve to come to a school where they feel safe and that is our goal for Noel Booth. Anti Racism education is a shared responsibility between school and home. Only by working together can we move forward.

Understanding Anti-Racism Education

Anti-racism education involves actively identifying and opposing racism by changing systems, organizational structures, policies, practices, and attitudes. It is about creating a culture where all students feel valued and respected, regardless of their race or ethnicity. In our school, we are dedicated to integrating anti-racism principles into our curriculum and daily interactions.

What Can Be Done at Home

Parents and guardians play a vital role in reinforcing these values at home. Here are some ways you can support anti-racism education:

1. **Open Conversations:** Engage in honest and age-appropriate discussions about race and racism. Encourage your children to ask questions and express their thoughts and feelings.
2. **Educate Yourself and Your Children:** Read books, watch documentaries, and explore resources that address racism and celebrate diversity. Share these learning experiences with your children.
3. **Model Inclusive Behaviour:** Demonstrate respect and inclusivity in your interactions. Children learn a great deal from observing the behavior of adults.
4. **Challenge Stereotypes:** Address and correct stereotypes or biased statements when you hear them. Teach your children to recognize and challenge these misconceptions.
5. **Celebrate Diversity:** Expose your children to different cultures and traditions. Celebrate the diversity within your community and beyond.
6. **Support Diverse Voices:** Encourage your children to read books and watch media created by people from diverse backgrounds. This helps broaden their perspectives and fosters empathy.
7. **Get Involved:** Participate in community events and initiatives that promote diversity and inclusion. Show your children the importance of being active and engaged citizens.

Allyship: Being an Active Supporter

Being an ally means actively supporting and standing up for marginalized communities. Here are some ways to practice allyship:

- **Listen and Learn:** Take the time to listen to the experiences of those affected by racism. Learn from their stories and perspectives.
- **Speak Up:** Use your voice to challenge racist remarks or behaviours. Silence can be interpreted as acceptance, so it's important to speak out against injustice.
- **Educate Others:** Share what you've learned about racism and allyship with friends and family. Help spread awareness and understanding.
- **Support Marginalized Communities:** Show your support by attending events, donating to causes, and amplifying the voices of marginalized groups.
- **Reflect on Your Actions:** Continuously reflect on your own behaviour and biases. Strive to be more inclusive and supportive in your daily interactions.

School Newsletter

Immunizations for Grade 6 students are coming

When students are in Grade 6, we review their immunization records and offer all routine vaccines they need for their age. We will send home a consent package.

When I receive the consent package for my child or the child in my care, what do I do?

- ✓ Review the consent package, which includes past immunizations, with the child.
- ✓ Check that the child's immunization record is complete. If it is not complete, you can submit the missing record one of these ways:
 - Include it with the signed consent form, *or*
 - Submit it online to us at FraserHealth.ca/immunizationform.
- ✓ Talk with the child about why vaccines are important.
- ✓ Complete and sign the consent form.

Note: The consent is valid for 2 years from the date it is given unless you cancel it. It can be used for any vaccines the student missed.
- ✓ Return the signed consent form, and the missing immunization record if needed, to the school sealed in the envelope provided.



All routine vaccines are free in British Columbia.

For more information, please contact your local public health unit or visit our website at FraserHealth.ca/immunize.



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STUDENT INCLUSIVE CONFERENCES IN LANGLEY SCHOOLS

PARENT-GUARDIAN RESOURCE
NOVEMBER 2024

Why are things Changing?

Our BC Curriculum has been redesigned to reflect how, and what, students should learn in the 21st century.

We are designing a way to communicate student learning that is focused on a meaningful, strength-based and student-inclusive process.

We know that student success increases when families have a clear understanding of their child's learning and students are at the centre of the communications process.

We want students to consider their learning and be able to answer:

Where am I now?

Where am I going?

How do I get there?

What is the Family's Role?

You play a key part in your child's learning and your active participation and engagement during the conference is appreciated.

Please sign-up online for a conference timeslot within the 1-2 week window. There will be a variety of conference times available to choose from including: before school, during school, after school, and in the evening.

Take time to consider your thoughts around the Family Reflection Sheet. This will be sent home in the days prior to your conference.

During the conference, you will have the opportunity to listen to your child, ask questions, and collaborate on setting new learning goals.

Thank you for your participation and support.



*Working together to support dialogue
around a student's learning progress.*