

November 1, 2021

Newsletter # 4

We Are Nut Aware!

We Are Scent Aware!

EDGEWOOD NEWS

IMPORTANT DATES:

Friday, Nov. 5th
Monthly Assembly
9:00 am
PAC Popcorn Day
\$1/bag

Nov. 8-12th
Silver for Soldiers
Fundraising Campaign

Wednesday, Nov. 10th
Photo Retakes
8:45 am
Remembrance Assembly
10:45 am

Tuesday, Nov. 9th
PAC Meeting 7pm
Onsite and on Zoom

Thursday, Nov. 11th
Remembrance Day

Friday, Nov. 19th
Full Moon

Friday, Nov. 26th
Non-Instructional Day
No School for Students

Monday, Nov. 29th
Primary CSL Writing Day
No School for Divisions
1,2,3,4,5

Every Friday!
Spirit Day
Wear Your Spirit Wear or
Black!
(our school colour)

Office Hours
8:00 am to 3:30 pm
Monday to Friday

THANK YOU for Supporting This Year's Halloween for Hunger Food Drive!

Principal's Message

Hadih - Bonjour Parents!

What an exciting way to end the month of October with our first school-wide DEAR of the year (Drop Everything and Read), decorated pumpkins, a food drive, musical chairs, and a dress up day. The enthusiasm and energy for all these Halloween related activities was so very uplifting.

The **recent Early Dismissal Days** helped connect teachers, students and families for conversations about learning. Thank you for supporting this very important communication and for your flexibility for how these conversations took place. We hope the flexibility helped better meet your needs as well. Feedback is welcome.

Our first **Digital Literacy/Citizenship** week occurred during the latter part of this month. Ms. Hall, alongside classroom teachers focused on this very important topic. This is a very important topic for anyone who engages digitally. As the adults in children's lives who provide access to technology, we must take the lead in ensuring responsible usership, monitoring usage, engaging in conversations about how, what and why students are engaged in what they are. Children may have an edge on adults for how to use and navigate the technical aspect, but they don't yet have the full development or maturation for navigating safely and knowing what is best for themselves. Adults learning all they can about digital citizenship will help children develop a digital footprint to be proud of and helpful in their future. Learn alongside your child. It will be a powerful way to connect.

Pokemon cards along with toys and trinkets are becoming a challenge at school. **For the month of November, we would like to take a break** from Pokemon cards coming to school as they are getting lost or stolen and the conflict that is arising over the cards is problematic. They are also a huge distraction to the learning in the classroom. Trinkets and toys need to stay home for the same reasons. These items are not learning or relationship enhancers right now, so it's time to take a break.

Health and Safety Need to Knows:

Emergency Procedures Drill Practices

This month we will begin our practices of the Emergency Procedures from the orange information sheet that went home in your Start-up Packages.

We will refamiliarize students this week with the different drills. We focus on Room Clear, Hold & Secure/Shelter in Place. These last two have the same inside procedures at school. And, we do a Lock Down practice.

All these drills are to be done twice a year, once in the spring and once in the fall. Starting next week, we will embark on actual practice drills of these. Students will know in advance, to help reduce any stress or anxiety. Conversations at home prior and after these drills also really help to manage emotions and feelings around these important drills.

Winter Weather Policy Reminder

Please refer to the District Policy. At temperatures of -20 or colder (including the wind shield factor) students will be invited inside before school or have "In Days" at recess and lunch if temperatures are at -20 or colder.

"In Days" at Edgewood Reminder

Should temperatures reach -20 or colder including wind chill, then we activate our "In Day" practices. In the morning, before school starts, students will be directed to the front, main door into the gym to wait for the bell where it is warm. We ask, parents who drop off on these cold days, to please, if possible, drop off as close to the bell as possible. This helps to reduce congestion. As we are still in a Pandemic, we may move some students to their pod area in-order to help decongest the gym.

At recess and lunch play, if it is still too cold to be outside, students will remain in their classes doing quieter activities, games,



Edgewood Eagles

SOAR

**Safety, Ownership,
Achievement, Respect**

Theme of the Month

Ownership & Honesty

Safe Start

If your child is going to be **late or absent**, please call the school and leave a message, complete with your child's full name, grade, and teacher. Calls home are made for those students not in attendance to ensure their safety and whereabouts

Supervision

Morning supervision
8:15 – 8:30

After school supervision
2:12-2:27

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PAC News

Meet our new executive for this school year. We thank the following parents for taking on these important leadership roles for your child's school.

Chair: Danielle Bellamy
Co-Chair: Meghan McGibbon

Secretary: Marian Berg
Treasurer: Ethan Hoffman

Being a part of PAC is one important way to be involved in your child's school experience and help build community. There are many ways to be involved.

Please visit our school website for updated meeting minutes, financial reports and agendas.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, November 9th, 7pm via Zoom and Onsite

This will be a reoccurring meeting, using the same Zoom information each month.

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/68908841753?pwd=TWdpK0dFUGd2SzdGdlBZdDBvcy9Ndz09>

Meeting ID: 689 0884 1753

Passcode: 741529

Everyone Welcome!

PAC Hot Lunch Update

Hot lunches are coming soon. Dates just need to be finalized. Orders are taken via the online order system called "Munch-a-Lunch". You can order for up to three hot lunches in advance. If you need help navigating Munch-A-Lunch or need an alternative, contact PAC or the school.

Munch-A-Lunch closes 11pm the Sunday before the hot lunch day.

Next Popcorn Day

This Friday, November 5th - \$1

Mable's Labels

Check them out on line at <https://mabelslabels.ca>

Click on the tab "support a fundraiser" and look for our school. Mable's Labels will help you label any and everything.

Save-On Foods Helps PAC

Don't forget that purchasing Save On gift cards (GCs) from any Save-On Foods brings money to our school. Consider using a GC to pay for your groceries, or if you are purchasing any for Christmas gifts, go to the Customer Service counter at any Save-On to purchase your GCs. Be sure to say you are with Edgewood and PAC receives a percentage of all sales of GCs.

PG Bottle and Return it Center (aka BBK Bottling)

....has an Edgewood PAC account and student leadership account. You can donate any returned bottles and drink container refunds by simply telling them when you return your items that you wish for the refund to be given to our school. It is that easy!

BC School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program & BC Dairy Foundation

We have had two deliveries of fruit and milk so far this year. The latest delivery were carrots. We thank PAC for continuing to support this program for our school

Indigenous Education Highlights

Indigenous drumming and singing has made its way into our school.

This month we are looking forward to learning the Indigenous sport of Lahal. A few spots have been secured on the DP Todd trapline for our older students to experience and the after school Outdoor Club is back. The first club experience for the next 6 weeks has been offered to grade 4 and 5 students. Sessions for this begin this week.

November Birthdays

We would like to wish everyone celebrating a birthday in November the very best wishes.



Avery V., Declan C., Paeton A-C., Daniel J., Adam K., Ben A., Emmett R., Kayla S., Antero U., Emma K., Amarah G., Evan T., Fiona B., Angus M., Jack R., Mrs. Zogas

Students were recognized at our recent assembly and received special birthday pencils.

Grade 6/7 Student Leadership News

Halloween for Hunger Food Drive and Musical Chairs

Our fourth annual food drive and musical chair experience did not disappoint. Thank you to everyone who donated food items for St. Vincent De Paul. 272 food items were collected. Well done, Edgewood!

Musical chair winners were: Sophia, Div. 1, Jonny, Div. 2, Brayden, Div. 3, Emmett, Div. 4, Myah, Div. 5, Eli, Div. 6, Khloe, Div. 7, Oscar, Preston, for Division 8 and 9. We thank our leadership students who led these sessions for all their organization and time given.

Pumpkin Character Contest Winners

It was another incredible display of creativity and team work this year. Honestly, how do you pick a winner from all the amazing entries? Well, primary students vote and from this, each class picked their favorite. The winning primary entries are: Brynlee's Gru, Ava's Harry Potter, and Myles' Waldo. Intermediate classes picked Sophie's Yoda, Ethan's Minion and Paxton's R2D2 and Oscar's Venom as the winners. Thank you to everyone who were able to participate this year. So fun.

You can view all the pumpkins in this year's video on our Youtube Channel. <https://youtu.be/oajezvrph28> Edgewood Pumpkin Characters 2021.

Next Up - Silver for Soldiers Fundraising Campaign

This fundraiser is near and dear to our hearts. Each year, our school had led other schools in the collection of silver for the Legion's Poppy Campaign. Did you know the Legion is instrumental in keeping the poppy front and center in schools for Remembrance Day assemblies? They do this at no charge, in hopes of donations to help support their many educational and Veterans' programs. Our onsite assembly will be November 10th at 10:45. Thursday, November 11th is a day off from school, a time of reflection and Remembrance for those who fought and continue to serve in conflict/war torn countries and in peace keeping missions around the world.

November's Themes of the Month

Ownership and Honesty

- Ownership comes from the word "own"
- Ownership means to take full responsibility for your words, thoughts, decisions, and actions
- Ownership is a choice
- Ownership takes honesty



- In the Aboriginal 7 Sacred Teachings, honesty is represented by Bigfoot (Sabe)

This Friday, ask your child what they learned in our monthly assembly about ownership and honesty!

