



Cleveland Elementary School

École élémentaire Cleveland

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The Cleveland School Mission is to provide an environment that fosters the emotional, social and physical well being and the intellectual development of all students. Cleveland School will promote a positive self concept, respect for self, respect for others, respect for the environment, fitness and health..



GRADE 7 CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Tuesday, December 8th, 2009

2:00 – 4:30 p.m. - Large Gym

Make sure to mark your calendars and make it a priority to support this annual community event. Let's help our grade 7 students raise funds for their year end trip. They have been working hard to create a wonderful assortment of crafts and goodies which will make a perfect gift for that special someone!

CONGRATULATIONS CLEVELAND CHESS TEAM!

Well done Andrew, Armin, Isaac, Kye, Oliver, Sam, Sepehr, Steven & Terry for fantastic playing and winning Cleveland fourth place at the North Shore School Team Championship on Friday Nov 27th. A big thank you to Mr. McWilliams, Mrs Pascuzzi and the CPAC for supporting the event – 50 kids, 9 schools and a great evening of exciting matches at Cleveland! For pictures and final results, check out the West Coast Junior Chess site www.wcjc.blogspot.com <<http://www.wcjc.blogspot.com/>>.



CANWEST CANSPELL NATIONAL SPELLING BEE - SCHOOL FINALS

Congratulations to Sebastian Booth, a grade 5 student for winning the school-wide spelling bee! Sebastian now advances to the written spelling bee qualifier, for a chance to represent Cleveland at the regional finals, to be held in Vancouver in March 2010. Sebastian, we know you will represent Cleveland well!

Congratulations also goes to our other school finalists!

Juliet Booker	Emily Burns
Alana Davies	Ellen Dipple
Allie Donaldson	Kevin Kim
Sarah Kim	Gavin Lopez-Smith
Taylor Mackie	Shaida Mahmoud
Aidan Mellenger-Brown	Sara Rashid
Eric Tigges	Andrew Warner
Lilly Yi	

Thank you to all the staff that helped organize and administer this year's spelling bee! Keep spelling students, and you'll "bee" ready for next year's spelling bee!

BASKETBALL - 12 AMAZING GRADE 6 GIRLS

..... filled the roster for the 2009 intramural basketball season. April Christiansen, Danika Ahac, Drew Mackie, Emily Burns, Hannah Hamilton, Lorissa Corrie, Maggie MacDonald, Raven Grenier, Maya Bennett, Alana Davies, Emily Kosichek, and Jordan Bouman all showed dedication to the sport; participating in twice weekly practices, before and after school, as well as 1 game per week (either league or exhibition) . These opportunities provided the girls an excellent foundation to learn the fundamentals of the game, develop new skills, and build on their existing experiences week over week. The results of their hard work paid off, dominating the season's league play, losing only 1 game to Highlands Elementary.

Thanks goes out to our volunteer coaches, Bruce Hamilton, Mike Burns, Terri Davies and a special thanks to Sherri Corrie who brought an exorbitant amount of energy and enthusiasm to the gym every week. Without this infectious spirit, the girls would not have developed into such high level players at an early age.

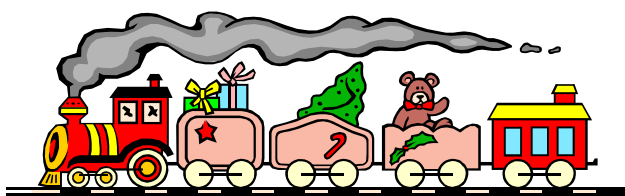
We appreciate the volunteer time keepers, drivers, and the support of our school and Mme Pascuzzi for sponsoring this season, and to make it possible. The girls are already talking about 'next year'!!!!

CLEVELAND JUNIOR CHOIR

The Cleveland Junior Choir is busy getting ready for their upcoming concerts. The choir, comprised of 54 students from Grades 2, 3 and 4 will be performing twice the week of school before the holidays.

- Tuesday, December 15th (1:20 – 3:00) at the Capilano Care Centre
- Thursday, December 17th (7:00 – 7:30) in our school gym

We congratulate all choir members on their hard work and their efforts to spread Christmas cheer to those around them.



THE "CHRISTMAS BUREAU EXPRESS" IS COMING TO CLEVELAND!

Cleveland School will be collecting **unwrapped** toys and gift items for the Christmas Bureau beginning December 7th. **We are also collecting food items for the Harvest Project.** All items can be placed in the boxes in our front hallway or in the class collection box. We will accept all donations until Thursday, December 17th. The following is a list of possible gifts.

Gift Ideas:

felt pens/crayons	bus passes	towels
hats, scarves, mittens	candles	coffee mugs
hair products	teas, coffee	cosmetics
certificates to stores	calendars	CDs
board games	playing cards	magazines
boxed cookies/chocolates	stationary	

Please note the last date of collection. We need to end earlier in order to send the items out to families in time. Thank you so much for your caring support at this busy time of year!

CPAC NEWS

NOTES FROM CPAC MEETING

GUEST SPEAKER

Tamara Bustos was our guest speaker at the November 24th, 2009 CPAC meeting. Tamara, a professional counsellor, spoke about "Building Confidence and Self-Esteem in Your Pre-Teen". As promised, she has provided us with a [summary of her presentation as well as a reading list of recommended books](#) (this can be found in the Meeting & Minutes section of the CPAC website). Tamara has also reiterated her invitation to Cleveland parents to contact her with questions or if they wish to speak with her further. All of her contact information is available on her website at www.tamarabustos.com

CLEVELAND FAMILY PANCAKE BREAKFAST – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11th - 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

“Chestnuts roasting on an open fire, Pancakes sizzling on the grill!”

Our reindeer have returned from the North Pole and are ready to serve you. A wonderful holiday



breakfast complete with pancakes, homemade blueberry syrup, sausages, and Delany's coffee, juice for the kids, crafts, a raffle, door prizes and maybe even a visit from You-know-who! Our peak time is between 8 and 8:30 – bear with us if there's a bit of a line-up! A big thank you to our sponsors, Super Valu in the Village, Delany's and Grimms!! Order forms were due today - if you have not submitted a form to the office already, please contact Tina Swinton @ tinawinton@shaw.ca to be waitlisted for this event. She will e-mail you as soon as a space becomes available. We will post a list of confirmed attendees by after school Friday - see school website and parent board at school. To be more environmentally friendly we are encouraging people to bring their own plates, cutlery and mugs. Last but not least...please bring a non-perishable food item for the Christmas Bureau (collection boxes are in the main foyer).

SCHOLASTICS BOOK FAIR

Wednesday, December 9th and Thursday, December 10th 9:00 am to 5:00 p.m.

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school next Wednesday through Thursday. It happens to be on the same days as the Parent Teacher Conferences...what perfect timing! You can, not only find out about your child's progress in school, but also do some Christmas shopping at the same time! Students will also be visiting the Fair during class time and they will be able to purchase books during that visit. You may send along some extra spending money with your child those days as it's a great opportunity for them to pick up a little Christmas present for a sibling, relative or friend. Proceeds from the book fair go towards buying new books for the classrooms primarily, such as home and guided reading books and novels for novel studies. Cash, cheque and credit cards accepted.

GRADE 7 BABYSITTING – DECEMBER, 9th & 10th Small Gym – 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Need someone to watch your kids while you meet with their teachers? Perhaps you would like to do a little shopping (ALONE) at the Scholastic Book Fair? Take advantage of the babysitting services provided by the grade 7 students on Wednesday, December 9th and Thursday, December 10th. \$5.00 per child for one hour or more, less time by donation. To book, please contact Kim Mackie at kimmackie@shaw.ca

CLEVELAND FREE THE TREES & AVIVA COMMUNITY FUND

Thank you to everyone who took the time to log onto the Aviva Community Fund website and vote for Cleveland's Free The Trees. Unfortunately we were very late in the game and our "idea" did not make the semi-finals. But we managed to get 250+ votes within 3 days so we managed to gain a bit of attention. We will continue to look for other opportunities to obtain the funds necessary to complete our commitment to reforesting our play space and outdoor classroom.

WAY TO GO CLEVELAND

Join us for a Winter Walk to School Day and count yourself in!!

Winter mornings can be cool and fresh and perfect for a walk to school. With only two more weeks of school before the holidays, this is a great time to meet up with some friends and neighbours, and enjoy a winter walk to school. It's also a great opportunity to talk with your children and share their excitement and anticipation of the holidays. Join us for our Winter Walk to School Day, and get counted! Help us beat our 56% participation rate from October!

What: Winter Walk to School Day at Cleveland

When: Wednesday morning, December 16th

How: Sporting your festive garb (Santa hat, reindeer antlers, etc.) walk or roll (cycle, scoot, etc.) to school and count yourself in!

Where: There will be 4 checkpoints where your child can be counted on Wednesday morning.

Look for red and green balloons at these locations:

1. On Eldon Road at the Eldon Park crosswalk.
2. On Eldon Road at the **northwest** corner of the school property (at the Bracknell Place crosswalk).
3. At the bottom of the east stairs to the lower field
4. On Eldon Road at the **northeast** corner of the school property (at the bottom of the stairs to Upper Sunset just east of Bracknell Place)

Note: If you live too far away to walk or ride, stop a few blocks away from the school. We'll still count you in!

We look forward to seeing you there!

LOST

At the recent James Bond Night, a fairly large set of keys was lost. Could anyone who attended the event please check their pockets, purses, or costumes to see if you mistakenly picked up the keys that night. If found, could you kindly leave them at the school office. Thanks.

WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, December 8th – Food Day Pasta & Salad
Parent Teacher Conferences 2:00 p.m. dismissal
Grade 7 Craft Fair

Wednesday, December 9th – Parent Teacher
Conferences 2:00 p.m. dismissal
Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday, December 10th – Parent Teacher
Conferences 2:00 p.m. dismissal
Scholastic Book Fair

Friday, December 11th – Pancake Breakfast
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.