



Cleveland Elementary School

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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..

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EARLY DISMISSAL – Safe and Caring School Assessment

All students in North Vancouver will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7th so that schools can conduct the annual Safe and Caring School Assessment. Parents are invited to attend this session and provide the school with feedback. The session will take place in the small gym from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

STORYTELLER IN RESIDENCE

Kelly McMannus, journalist for The Outlook is teaching classes the art of reporting. She is in our school from March 23rd to April 9th. Teachers and students alike will be learning how to interview, write concisely and share their stories in the community.

NATIONAL MATH CONTEST Wednesday, April 1st, 2009

A date error was made in the last newsletter and the math contest is set for this upcoming Wednesday, April 1st. Students have received practice tests from previous years which they can work through at home. Parents are asked to support them with this as we will not have time to hold as many practice sessions as we had originally anticipated on having. We will have a general practice session on Tuesday, when students can work with the teachers and other fellow students on questions together. Students must be at school on time in order to write the test which will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the large gym.

We are looking for all of your wares from Spring cleaning. Big Brothers Renew Crew will be coming to collect on Friday, April 3rd.

The following is a list of possible items that you may bring in a plastic bag. Clothing (all types/sizes), kitchenware, housewares, clothing accessories, shoes and boots, sporting goods, linens and bedding (no mattresses), tools, luggage, draperies, curtains, toys, games, books.

So keep spring cleaning and add to our growing collection in our school foyer!

CONGRATULATIONS and well done to Annabel Rawson, who attended "L'International Gymnix 2009" in Montreal the first week of March. She was able to compete against her peers from Canada and the United States. After having a disappointing bar routine Annabel continued on to have a great competition winning a Bronze medal on Bars and finishing 7th overall for her level.

CPAC NEWS

\$\$ COBS DOUGHRAISER \$\$

Do you shop at Cobs in Edgemont Village? If so, don't forget to use your Cleveland Dough Raiser Card to pay for your purchases. Cobs donates 5% of purchases on these cards to the school to fund new library books and you will also receive certificates for free Cobs products from time to time. If you don't yet have a card, please pick one up on your next visit. Tell them you're from Cleveland Elementary. Our library was able to purchase \$500 in books with last year's proceeds from this program!

HAPPY SPRING AND GET CLEANING!

PLAYGROUND CHALLENGE!

The Cleveland Playground Challenge continues until the end of March!

We invite all students to participate in our Playground Challenge by filling out the Survey found on the Cleveland website. We have received a few survey forms back from students, but would love to have more feedback on what makes for a great playground. Don't forget, there are 3 entry passes to The Edge Climbing Centre to be awarded to 3 lucky students who complete the survey.

To access the survey form on our school website, click on "Parent Info/CPAC", then on "Enter CPAC site", then "[New Playground Updates](#)" and click on the highlighted link to the PDF form of the survey. Alternatively, you can copy the following link to access the New Playground Updates page:
<http://www.nvsd44.bc.ca/SchoolSites/Cleveland/Parent%20Information/CPAC/New%20Playground%20Updates.aspx>

Please submit your completed survey forms to the school office by Tuesday, March 31 to be entered to win one of the passes.

Thanks for your help!

GARDEN FAIRIES AT CLEVELAND?

Thank you to the mystery gardeners who planted all of the lovely spring flowers at the School Entrance for us all to enjoy!

IMPORTANT TRAFFIC SAFETY NOTICE

There have been a couple of "close calls" lately at the crosswalks in front of our school where vehicles are either not stopping for pedestrians, or are stopping too close to the children in the crosswalk. This is obviously a dangerous situation. We remind you of the following:

- If you see someone at a crosswalk - **YOU MUST STOP FOR THEM.** If you are in doubt whether or not they are wanting to cross, **STOP ANYWAY.**
- Wait until pedestrians have completely crossed the street before you proceed. Your stopped vehicle indicates to other vehicles to stop when they may not otherwise see the pedestrian.
- Never drive through the patrol stop signs when they are out. You **MUST** obey adult and student crossing guards. (s.179(4) Motor Vehicle Act)
- When stopping for pedestrians at the crosswalks, stop at least one car length away from the crosswalk.
- Never stop over a marked crosswalk.

- It is against the law to reverse over a marked crosswalk. (s.193 Motor Vehicle Act)
 - It is against the law to reverse into an intersection. (s.193 Motor Vehicle Act)
 - Obey the 30km per hour speed limit throughout the entire school zone. (s.147 Motor Vehicle Act)
- Thank you for helping keep our kids safe!

COMMUNITY NEWS

FOR SALE

Little Mermaid Fish Tank (includes filter) \$25
Fisher Price Kitchen set (includes plastic cooking utensils and dishes) \$40
Barbie Doll House (includes furniture) \$40
Kids wood computer desk \$10
604 - 983-3698

FREE TRUNDLE BED!

Metal frame only. Fits under any single bed, and pops up as an extra bed. GREAT for sleepovers. Call Shelly @ 604-603-7728 or 604-984-3144 and come by and pick up!

AH, SUMMERS AT THE POOL!

The North Van Cruiser Aquatics summer club is summer swimming gone EXTREME. We're holding our annual **Splash Night April 18th** to introduce interested kids and parents to the club and all four aquatics sports:

- Speed Swimming
- Water Polo
- Synchronized Swimming
- Diving

Come to William Griffin pool at 6:30 p.m. to try 'em out. And visit www.cruiseraquatics.com for more info on Splash Night, the club and April 30th early bird registration.

WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, March 31st – Class Photos & Grade 7 Photo

Food Day Magic Lunchbox

Thursday, April 2nd – Band & Strings Festival