



# 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..*

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### CALENDAR ADDITION

Please add the following early dismissal date to your calendar. We forgot to add the following to the calendar at the beginning of the year. **On April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 all schools in the School District will be dismissing at 2:00 p.m.** so that schools can undertake a Safe and Caring School Audit.

### RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

You will now be able to enter the school website and subscribe to have the newsletter sent directly to your mailbox if you wish to do so. You must first go to the webpage at [clevelandelementary.ca](http://clevelandelementary.ca) and hit the subscribe button at the bottom of the page. Follow the steps and you will be added to our list of recipients and will automatically receive our newsletter each week in your email at home. Alternatively, you may also view the newsletter by going into the "Newsletter" section of the webpage and clicking on the date you want to view.

We would like all parents to subscribe to receive a copy of our newsletter in their home email system. The newsletter that goes home on January 29<sup>th</sup> will be the last hard copy newsletter that is sent home, after this date we will expect that all homes have subscribed to receive our newsletter in their email system at home. A few hard copies of our newsletter will be available outside the office each week for families to pick up who do not wish to subscribe.

### REGISTRATIONS ~ TRANSFERS GRADES 1-12 FOR 2009 – 2010

New registrations and transfer requests for Grade 1 – 12 will be accepted at the Central Registration office (2132 Hamilton Avenue) beginning on January 26, 2009. For priority placement in your catchment area school, all **new registrations** must be submitted on or before February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009. All transfer requests must be submitted by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 (this also includes transfer of program, for example, from French to English program).

Documents required when registering/transferring:

- Students birth certificate (if not born in Canada bring proof of citizenship)
- Proof of current residence (Hydro bill, purchase agreement or rental agreement)

Registration and transfer forms will be available at all schools, at the Central Registration office or online at [www.nvsd.bc.ca](http://www.nvsd.bc.ca)

We are still accepting Kindergarten registrations for all Kindergarten programs, including: Inspirations 44, Early French Immersion and the regular half day English program. For more information visit [www.nvsd44.bc.ca](http://www.nvsd44.bc.ca), call 604-903-3368 or email [registration@nvsd44.bc.ca](mailto:registration@nvsd44.bc.ca)

### GRADE 6's TO BE PEER MEDIATORS

The grade 6 Peer Mediator program begins Monday morning with an initial three hour training session. The students will learn skills in leadership, mentoring, and problem solving. The peer mediating program is optional and is a follow-up to the grade 6 social skills and leadership program (part of Health and Career). Students are given the opportunity to help supervise the primary children a couple of times each week during recess and lunch. Ongoing follow-up support sessions on problem solving and leadership are held monthly as well as special events for the grade 6 leaders. We thank the grade 6 students for giving their time and help to the school community. Watch for the "red PM jackets" to appear shortly on the playgrounds and hallways of Cleveland!

Congratulations to Taylor Mackie and Amelia Mulligan, grade 6 students, for their poem entry in the Poetry Institute of Canada's Young Writer's contest. The girls submitted an original poem, entitled "A Day at the Beach," which has been chosen to be published in the book of verse *Fireworks, Fleas and Bumblebees*, to be published in late May 2009. Great work girls!

### CLEVELAND ELEMENTARY'S 6th ANNUAL MULTI CULTURAL NIGHT IS OFFICIALLY SOLD OUT

Thanks to all of you who bought your tickets early to the 6th annual Multi cultural night being held on Thursday January 29<sup>th</sup> at Cleveland Elementary. This event is officially sold out!

Just a reminder to please bring your food contribution, (main course or pass around desert) with ingredient list, to the small gym no later than 5:45 the evening of the event. Please ensure that the dishes & serving utensils are labeled, so that we can make sure that they are returned to their owners at the end of the evening.

As **Cleveland Goes Green**, we encourage you to bring your own plate, cutlery and travel mug with a lid in order to help the environment. You are also invited to come dressed in the costume of your heritage.

We look forward to seeing you there.....

### FUN-AT-LUNCH WINTER SESSION

The registration has been completed and classes are full. Jazz, Chess and Yoga are scheduled to start next week. The list of registered students is on the bulletin board outside the big gym. If your child is registered but you have not received an e-mail confirmation, please e-mail [terridavies@telus.net](mailto:terridavies@telus.net). Although everyone included their e-mail addresses on the registration form, some were not legible. Also, we still need volunteers to supervise for Badminton and Chess days. If you can spare one hour to support the program, we would all appreciate it! Please e-mail Terri Davies if you are available to supervise any of the Badminton or Chess days.

### CLEVELAND SPIRIT WEAR

Did you miss out on getting your Spirit Wear the first time around? Or, did you get some Spirit Wear, but want more?? Well, you are in luck because we will be offering Cleveland Spirit Wear for sale again this year in February! Keep on the lookout in upcoming newsletters/on the website for our sale date in February! If you would like more information, you can contact Stacey Briggs at [s1b@marquardt.bc.ca](mailto:s1b@marquardt.bc.ca).

### PRESCHOOL FAIR

John Braithwaite Community Centre is hosting its annual Preschool Fair! Discover the preschools, community agencies, products and services that are available for preschoolers on the North Shore. This is a free event for parents and children to attend.

When: Saturday February 14th from 10 a.m. - 1p.m.

Where: John Braithwaite Community Centre  
145 W 1<sup>st</sup>, St. North Vancouver

### JUNIOR CHOIR

The junior choir, led by Mr. Lebrun and Mrs. LeNoble will be meeting on Wednesday's & Friday's at 12:15 in the music portable. We look forward to seeing all grade 2, 3 and 4 students interested in joining. It will be lots of fun learning new songs and performing them in the spring.

**MORE YOUNG POETS AT CLEVELAND!**

**WAY TO GO CLEVELAND !**

Walking to school in snowy and icy weather can be hazardous. Here are a few safety tips and techniques to help you avoid slipping and falling:

- \* In cold temperatures, be cautious and assume that all wet, dark areas of pavement are slippery and icy.
- \* Avoid boots or shoes with smooth soles and heels. Instead, wear shoes or boots that provide traction on snow and ice; boots made of non-slip rubber or neoprene with grooved soles are the best.
- \* Look ahead when you walk; a snow-or-ice covered sidewalk or driveway may require travel along its grassy edge for traction.
- \* Point your feet out slightly like a penguin and shuffle! Spreading out your feet slightly while walking on ice improves your stability.
- \* Bend slightly and walk flat-footed with your center of gravity directly over the feet as much as possible. Take short steps or shuffle for stability.
- \* Keep your hands out of your pockets. Having your hands in your pockets while walking decreases your center of gravity and balance. You can also break your fall with your hands free if you do start to slip.
- \* Extend your arms out to your sides to maintain balance
- \* If you begin to fall, relax your muscles; you will injure yourself less if you are relaxed. Avoid landing on your knees, wrists, tailbone or spine. Fall on a fleshy part of your body, such as your side.

**UPCOMING CPAC MEETING**

On Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, from **6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**, Alix Bacon, a colleague of Saleema Noon, will give a presentation to parents on **“Sexual Health and your school-age child.”** Alix will return to Cleveland on Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 to give two presentations to students: to primary students from 6:00 – 6:45 p.m., and to intermediate students from 7 – 8:00 p.m. Parents are invited to attend the February 3<sup>rd</sup> sessions with their children. Admission will be by donation.

**BABYSITTING AT CLEVELAND**

Take advantage of the babysitting service provided by Grade 7’s during January’s Special CPAC Meeting with GUEST SPEAKER, Alix Bacon, presenting on Sexual Health and Your School-Aged Child (for Parents Only)

**When:** Tuesday January 27<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** Presentation from 6:30 to 8:00 pm  
 Babysitting from: 6:15 to 8:15  
**Where:** Small gym  
**Cost:** \$5/hr per child

Children must be brought and picked up at the gym by their guardian.

**Parents must pre register** to ensure we have enough babysitters. Deadline is Sunday night – Please contact Lisa at [bbsittingcleveland@gmail.com](mailto:bbsittingcleveland@gmail.com) to reserve your spot.

*\*All proceeds go to the Grade 7 year end*

**SMALL HANDS, BIG CHANGE:****A Celebration of Kindness and Community**

**What:** Small Hands, Big Change: A Celebration of Kindness and Community

**When:** February 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

**Where:** Cleveland large gym

Join us for a Cleveland community celebration!! Help us celebrate individual and collective acts of kindness by our students to help make the world a better place. Featuring artwork, music and inspirational stories, Cleveland students will share how they live the Cleveland Code of Conduct of “Care for self, care for others, and care for the environment”. Come and be inspired by our students as they share stories about their acts of kindness and compassion, things that motivate them, and the difference they are making in the world, both locally and globally. **Special feature:** See 21 amazing canvasses being prepared by Cleveland’s *Diplomats of the World* for a health institution in Burnaby!!

**There are lots of ways to participate in this celebration.**

Please fill out the attached “hand” and return it to your teacher. Your “hands” will be added to the **Tree of Kindness** that we will build together on February 5<sup>th</sup>. Want to do something more or something different? Bring some photos, make a poster, set up a table displaying your ideas, or do whatever else inspires you to share with us how your small hands are helping to make a big change.

For more information or to offer suggestions, please contact Dorli Duffy at [duffrose@shaw.ca](mailto:duffrose@shaw.ca) or Dale Bonsall-Jevning at [djevning@shaw.ca](mailto:djevning@shaw.ca). Stay tuned for more!

**FOOD DAY CHEQUE REMINDER**

Post-dated cheques submitted back in September for food days will be cashed in early February. Please ensure sufficient funds for a smooth transaction.

**LONG HAIR FOR A CAUSE**

Dear fellow students and teachers,

My name is Olivia Armstrong and I am 9 years old. I’m in 4<sup>th</sup> Grade and in May 2009, I will be cutting 8 inches of my hair to give to someone who has cancer. I would like you to join me in donating our hair to make wigs for people who are going through cancer treatments or other forms of severe hair loss. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact my Mom at [leannearmstrong@shaw.ca](mailto:leannearmstrong@shaw.ca)

**WEEK AHEAD**

**Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>** – Food Day Nobu Sushi  
 CPAC Meeting - 7:00 p.m.  
**Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** – Multicultural Evening  
**Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>** – School Based Pro D Day  
 School Not in Session

**VOLLEYBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE**

Grade 6 Boys	Monday	12:15 p.m.
Grade 6 Girls	Tuesday	12:15 p.m.
Grade 7 Boys	Wednesday	12:15 p.m.
Grade 7 Girls	Wednesday	7:15 a.m.

**VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 26<sup>th</sup> to JANUARY 30<sup>th</sup>****BOYS**

Monday, January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 7 AA	Cleveland @ Montroyal
	Grade 6 B	Cleveland @ Canyon Heights

**GIRLS**

Tuesday, January 27 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 7 AA Team 1	Cleveland Home
	Grade 7 AA Team 2	Cleveland Home
	Grade 6 B	Cleveland @ Montroyal