



# 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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### FRENCH IMMERSION KINDERGARTEN SWITCH

On Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the French Immersion Kindergarten will undertake their switch of classes for the remainder of the year. The morning class will attend in the afternoon (12:50 – 3:00 p.m.) and the afternoon class will attend in the morning (8:50 – 11:30 a.m.)

### 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 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.

### YOUNG WRITERS’ POETRY CONTEST

Congratulations to Alana Davies, a grade 5 student, for her poetry writing! In the fall Alana submitted an original poem, titled “Autumn Leaves,” to the Poetry Institute of Canada’s Young Writer’s contest. Alana’s poem was chosen as one of the top entries and will be published in the book of verse entitled *Fireworks, Fleas and Bumblebees*, published by the National Library of Canada, Pictorial Press (ISBN 978-1-896965-92-5). The book will be published in late May 2009. Alana, we all look forward to seeing your poem in print!

### HOW WELL CAN YOU S-P-E-L-L?

The Intermediate students have been working hard spelling words as part of the Canwest Canspell National Spelling Bee. During the month of December and January, the students participated in written spelling bees to determine the school finalists. These finalists will participate in the school oral spelling bee on Monday, January 26 during the lunch hour, and if necessary, Tuesday, January 27 during lunch hour. The school winner will advance to the regional finals to be held later this spring. Good luck to all our finalists!

### 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)

### WAY TO GO CLEVELAND!

Walking Wednesdays are alive and well after our snowy start to the New Year. The snowbanks are diminishing and the sidewalks are emerging from their icy dens. Please plan to join us once again for our Walking Wednesdays. It's a great way to start your day and keep those New Year's resolutions for more exercise and time with your family. This week, have fun looking for interesting creatures and shapes in the melting snow!

### CLEVELAND GOES GREEN –

#### The Rumours are False: Recycling Continues as Usual

Market prices for recycled materials (metals, plastics, paper products, glass) have dropped sharply because of the global economic downturn. This means that the value of items commonly recycled in Blue Box programs has been significantly reduced. Some materials, especially low grade plastics (#3, #6, and #7, plastic bags, polystyrene, etc.) are currently being stockpiled by many processors.

But because on the North Shore we only collect well-sorted, higher-value materials, our recyclables are finding markets where other municipalities aren't. You can help keep our recyclables marketable: **only put the materials we actually collect in the Blue Box!**

### CPAC MEETING – GUEST SPEAKER

We will have another guest speaker at our CPAC meeting on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009. **Alix Bacon**, a colleague of Saleema Noon, will give a presentation to parents on “Sexual Health and your school-age child.” This presentation will run from 6:30 to 8 pm. Alix will return to Cleveland on Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 to give two presentations to students: to primary students from 6 – 6:45 pm, and to intermediate students from 7-8 pm. Parents are invited to attend along with their children, and admission will be by donation. Mark your calendars now to ensure you don't miss these excellent sessions!

### SAVE THE DATE!

Join us on Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. for **Small Hands, Big Change: A Celebration of Kindness and Community**. During this unique Cleveland community celebration, all students are invited to share their stories of how they contribute their time, talent, creativity, and maybe even part of their allowance, to create a better world. Featuring fabulous new artwork being prepared by Cleveland's *Diplomats of the World* for a health institution in Burnaby, this evening will also showcase the large and small acts of kindness and compassion that individual Cleveland students are making in communities close to home and around the world. What are you passionate about? How are you volunteering your time, talent, and energy to make a difference? What simple steps are you taking to help make a better world? There are lots of ways to participate in this celebration: 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!

### CLEVELAND ELEMENTARY'S 6th ANNUAL MULTI CULTURAL NIGHT

Come one come all to the 6th annual Cleveland Elementary Multi Cultural Night. **This year's event is going green**, so along with your food contribution, you are **encouraged to bring your own cutlery, plate and travel mug with a lid**. Good for the environment, good for all!

The evening will consist of great food, entertainment, refreshments, activities and friends. Come and sample foods from around the globe, try your skill at Japanese calligraphy, enjoy a cup of Indian chai tea, while listening and watching the sounds and sights of cultural dancers and entertainment, all for the low price of \$5 per person.

Get your tickets early as this event sells out every year and you don't want to be disappointed.

**WHEN:** Thursday January 29th, 2009

**WHERE:** Cleveland Elementary School (large gym)

**TIME:** 6:00 - 8:30 Dinner from 6 - 7  
Entertainment from 7 - 8:30

**COST:** Tickets are \$5.00 per person

Please return the order form with payment to the office. Cheques are to be made payable to CPAC.

**FIELD HOCKEY FOR BOYS - WVFHC** has a Spring Field Hockey season for boys. The season runs from after Spring Break through June. You can visit our website at [www.wvfhc.com](http://www.wvfhc.com) for more information, to ask questions and to register online. Registration deadline is February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009. We welcome players of all skill levels.

### CALLING ALL BOYS & GIRLS!

**Baseball season is right around the corner...**

Registration is now open for Forest Hills Little League. Please visit [www.fhll.ca](http://www.fhll.ca) to register online. Registration ends January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009. There is no in-person registration this year. See you at the park!

### WINTER DANCE SHOW

The North Shore Academy of Dancing is presenting their second annual "Snowmotion" show at the Kay Meek Theatre in West Vancouver on Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are available at the box office (604-913-3634), or through their website at [www.kaymeekcentre.com](http://www.kaymeekcentre.com). Cleveland School has 8 dancers in the show (boys and girls!), from grades K - 7.

Come out and enjoy a fun and entertaining show for the whole family!

**FOR SALE:** Set of 357 Yu-Gi-Oh! cards, small album, and strategy guide, includes 30+ rare/super/ultra, \$30. Call Meagan at 604-984-0042.

### WEEK AHEAD

**Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>** – Mad Science 3:15 p.m. small gym

**Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>** – Food Day Magic Lunchbox

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**Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Grade 7 Pizza Lunch

**Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>** – School Based Pro D Day

School Not in Session



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**Santa gave you a new video camera?**

**A reminder about respecting student privacy with film and photography**

With the season of holiday school concerts just passed, and a busy spring of school activities ahead, we offer this consideration around the exchange of student photographs and videotapes of student events.

Parents are welcome to photograph and videotape school events. However, the potential promotion and exchange of student images raises privacy issues that are important to be aware of.

We recommend that a parent wishing to film or photograph students and then post these images to a website **should have the signed permission of the students before posting their photos**. To do so without signed permission may be a violation of student privacy.

We feel it's important to remind all parents to respect the privacy of other students and their families. While it's understandable that many families would appreciate being able to exchange photographs or videotapes of school events, privacy concerns must take precedence.

Thank you for your understanding.

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