



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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FIRST REPORTING PERIOD

Report Cards will be sent home with each student on Friday, December 4th.

Parent/Teacher Conferences for Kindergarten to Grade 7 will be held on December 8th, 9th and 10th. **Please note the 2:00 p.m. dismissal on these days.**

A board for parents to sign-up for Parent/Teacher conferences will be set up in the main hall of the school at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 1st and taken down on Monday, December 7th.

TALENT SHOW

The talent show was a huge success thanks to the talented performers, the masters of ceremonies, the stage, lighting, and audio visual crews, and the donation table volunteers.

A big thank you to Mme Cork, Mme McHugh and Mrs. Simcox for coordinating and overseeing the show. Also, thank you to Mrs. Pascuzzi, Mlle Valois, Mr. McWilliams and Mr. Solomakha for helping with the setup.

We raised \$397.45 for our Haitian foster child, Anel Celeus. Thank you to all the parents and students who helped cleanup. Your efforts are much appreciated.

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 past three weeks, students participated in written spelling bees to determine the school finalists. These finalists will participate in the school oral spelling bee on Tuesday, December 1st during the lunch hour, and if necessary, Wednesday, December 2nd during the lunch hour. The school winner will then write a written qualifier bee with the hopes of advancing to the regional finals to be held later this spring. Good luck to all our finalists!

Roots of Empathy



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Racines de l'empathie

We welcome special guest,
LINUS DURNAN

and his Mom April to Cleveland School.

Linus will be teaching the students in Mme Kry's class
"emotional literacy"
through lessons that develop empathy!

CLEVELAND SEVERE WEATHER

As many of you will recall from our severe snowfall experience last year, it is better to be prepared than to be caught off guard.

If a significant snowfall is expected for the morning of a school day:

Parents should listen to designated radio or television stations for school closure information between 6:30-8:00 am. Notification will be made earlier if possible.

Designated Radio Stations:

CKWX 1130, CKNW 980, CFOX 99.3, CBC 690, MOJO 730

Designated TV Stations:

Global, City and Fairchild

School closures will be posted on the School District Web Site (www.nvsd44.bc.ca) by 6:30 am or earlier, if possible.

Parents are encouraged to establish an emergency plan for their children in the event that the school is closed.

Eldon Road may or may not be plowed in the morning and it may have single lane or double lane traffic.

If the school is open and regular drop-off areas have not been plowed on the north or south sides of Eldon Road please use the alternate drop-off below.

Alternate Drop-off, please use in severe weather:

- If approaching the school from the east on Eldon/Ruby Road, try to use Eldon Park as a drop-off and turn around, then exit to the east on Eldon/Ruby Road.
- If approaching the school from the west try to use the west staff parking lot as a drop-off and turn around, then exit to the west on Eldon Road.
- If approaching the school from the south use the drop-off at Mt. Crown.

Sidewalks may or may not be clear of snow and if walking seems to be hazardous, please be cautious.

Please prepare your children for severe weather by dressing them appropriately. Remember to stay a safe distance from the road and away from vehicle traffic.

Parents are responsible for their children's safe travel to school. If for any reason, there is concern that a child cannot travel safely, other arrangements should be made. Students will not be penalized for missing school; please remember to call the school call back line 604-903-3394 if you cannot get your child to school. Student safety is our first priority.



GRADE 7s' PURDY'S CHOCOLATES CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING DEADLINE IS HERE!

We are happy to report that we will be extending our deadline to the **25th of November (Wednesday)** please don't wait, go online and put your order in!! The steps are easy and user friendly.

All the Grade 7 students will benefit from this Fundraising program. They will get **25%** of the total sales of the chocolates for their Strathcona Trip. What a great way to help.

How to place your order:

- Register and order online at <http://www.purdysgpp.com/login.aspx> by November 23rd using the Cleveland group number 2196
- Pick up orders in early December at the school
- Use the "[Email Ordering Link](#)" to send an email to all of your friends, family and colleagues asking them to order online

Invite Friends, Family and Colleagues to order online:

- Once signed in to the Purdy's website (as per above), go to the "[Easy Ordering](#)" section (in column to the right)
- Click the "[Email Ordering Link](#)" to send an email to all your friends, family and colleagues asking them to order online to raise money for our school (they will pay directly with their credit card)

All online orders placed by your contacts will be linked to your account and will be delivered with your name attached.

Any questions, contact Lucy Choi at lucychoi@shaw.ca

CPAC NEWS

009 LICENCE TO THRILL TONIGHT!!

From Cleveland With Love - thank you to all of you from the Adult Event Committee for supporting tonight's school fundraiser, 009 Licence to Thrill. Tickets are sold out and the Silent Auction is sure to be a success as the items are fantastic. To preview a list of auction items, visit the Licence to Thrill section of the CPAC website (via the www.clevelandelementary.ca)

All proceeds will go to our new playground and we will let you know the amount raised from tonight's event next week!

SCHOLASTICS BOOK FAIR

Wednesday, December 9th and Thursday, December 10th, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the front foyer of the school

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school and we are looking forward to seeing you there!

The Book Fair will run two days in the front lobby of the school. 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!

If you cannot attend, the students will also be visiting the Fair during class time and they will be able to purchase books during that visit.

Thank you for encouraging your child to read. By purchasing books and supporting our Book Fair, you enable Cleveland Elementary to obtain new resources for the school and classroom libraries. 60% of the proceeds go straight back to purchasing books for the classroom and library. Cash, cheque and credit cards accepted.

CPAC MEETING NOVEMBER 24th, 7:00 p.m. in the school library ~ *Self-Esteem and Your Pre-teen*

A reminder, that North Shore Counsellor Tamara Bustos will be our guest speaker at our November 24th CPAC meeting. Tamara will address the following topic "Building Confidence and Self-Esteem in Pre-Teens." Please email any questions for Tamara in advance of the meeting to duffrose@shaw.ca or bring them with you on Tuesday, November 24th at 7:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

BUDGET CHALLENGE MEETING

North Vancouver School Board Budget Challenge Meeting - December 1st.

The Board of Education for the North Vancouver School District is holding information meetings about the Board's budget and financing challenges, including important discussions about funding priorities in coming years. The second of three meetings was held November 18th at Sutherland Secondary. Many of you have already attended the first two meetings, but we wanted to make sure that all parents were aware that this process is underway, and highlight that the last meeting is coming up if you wish to attend. If you are unable to attend, there is the opportunity to provide written input through the NVSD website. The last meeting will be held on December 1st at 7:00 p.m., at the Leo Marshall Curriculum Centre, 810 West 21st Street. The December 1st meeting will provide parents with an opportunity to review the restructuring options being considered by the Board and to indicate your level of support. These are key decisions for our children, and parent input is vital. Learn more at: <http://www.nvsg44.bc.ca/sitecore/content/OtherNews/Budget2010.aspx>.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST DECEMBER 11th, 2009

Ho Ho Ho! The holiday season is quickly approaching and Santa's reindeer are busily gearing up to host



another Cleveland family pancake breakfast to celebrate the season. Your link to the invitation and order form is included in the newsletter email and can be found online in the newsletter section of the school website. Please complete and return by December 3rd to avoid disappointment - this event has sold out early two years running. We hope to see you there!

SCHOOL DIRECTORY

At this time, the School Directory PDF file should have been received by everyone who provided their email to be printed in the Directory. If someone has not received the PDF electronic version, and believes they should be in the directory, please email cleveland@immell.com and request a copy to be sent. In our efforts to reduce wasting paper and photocopying costs, paper copies of specific classes are only being offered to parents who do not have access to a printer. If this is the case, please go to the office, and sign the request for your child(ren)'s class directory. Copies will be available for pick up at the office in a week.

WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, November 24th – Food Day Subway
CPAC Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 27th – Grade 7 Pizza Day

Monday, November 30th – School Based Pro D
School Not in Session

