



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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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4th – EARLY DISMISSAL @ 1:45 p.m.

Staff will be participating in a training session on the responsibilities and procedures for reporting suspected child abuse and neglect. Students will be dismissed at 1:45 p.m.

STUDENT PLANNER AGENDA BOOKS

Agendas are still available for sale in the office. The cost is \$6.90.

REMINDER – PAC DIRECTORY

If you want to be included in the PAC Directory you need to go to the CPAC website to sign in. More information on page 2 of this newsletter.

MJM STUDENT PHOTOS

Photo order forms are due back to the school by Wednesday, October 5th.

HARVEST PROJECT @ CLEVELAND

Please bring in your packaged and canned food items and/or toiletries. Our collection ends Friday, October 7th, at noon. Let's fill up those boxes!!

PRIMARY READ - A -THON

Oct. 1st to Oct. 31st
We are inviting Gr 1 to 3 students to participate in reading every day!
A calendar is being provided to track the number of pages read every day.
Details in the school library.
Draw for **Reading Hero** prizes on Nov 1st

TERRY FOX RUN

The countdown is on....final preparations are underway for this year's Terry Fox Run and Assembly, which will take place on Monday, October 3rd. We are thrilled to welcome Fred Fox, Terry's brother, as our guest speaker for the school-wide assembly, which will take place at 1:15 on Monday afternoon.

Following the assembly, we will warm-up on the lower field and then begin the run, rain or shine, just after 2:00. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to encourage and direct runners along the routes. Parents and siblings are welcome to run with us! Simply meet us on the lower field for the warm-up and then join in when your child's class is directed to begin the run. For those of you with very young children, the "Primary route" is the most stroller-friendly of the two routes.

The students have been discussing Terry Fox's life, his challenges and his accomplishments in their classrooms. In addition, there have been announcements each afternoon this week that have provided the students with more information on Terry's Marathon of Hope and the determination and sacrifice that made him a Canadian hero.

Families who wish to donate money to the Terry Fox Foundation are asked to do so on-line at www.terryfox.org and look for the link to sponsor Cleveland Elementary. Another option is to complete and return the pledge form sent home last week. There is a box in the office for donations and pledge forms. Last year, our school raised over \$3000 for cancer research. Thank you for your support again this year!

HALLWAY BEHAVIOUR

As a school, we are working with all students to support positive hallway behaviour. We are teaching students to move quietly and respectfully in halls so as not to disturb classes in session or the people working in the office. In addition, we are teaching students to stop and listen to morning and afternoon announcements so that they hear the important messages being broadcasted. Parents could support this learning by acting as role models and also stopping in the halls and listening to the announcements. Thank you for your continued support.

TRAFFIC CONCERNS

Drivers, if you are parked on Eldon Road or Ruby Avenue, please remember to check for traffic before allowing your children to open their doors.



Drivers parked on Eldon Road or Ruby Avenue should ***always*** unload their children onto the sidewalk, and ***not*** into the traffic lane

GARBAGE FREE LUNCH DAYS!

This is a reminder to participate in our garbage-free lunch challenge every **Wednesday!** What does this mean? It means pack a lunch that has no garbage!



How do you do this? Some suggestions are...

- bring a water bottle instead of a juice box
- use metal cutlery instead of plastic
- buy in bulk, and then make your own smaller portions
- use reusable containers instead of plastic wrap, plastic bags or foil wrappers
- eat lots of fruits and vegetables, and take the leftover portions home for composting

Parents can help too! Talk to your child about making good food choices for lunch, and buy some neat reusable containers and give them as gifts. Don't forget to bring a recess snack that is also garbage-free!

We hope you'll join us and support garbage-free lunch day ("GFLD!")!

CPAC NEWS

October is Emergency Preparedness Month at Cleveland

Throughout the month of October, the CPAC will be focusing on preparing for a natural disaster. At 10:20 a.m. on Oct. 20th, Cleveland students and staff, along with thousands of British Columbians, will "[Drop, Cover, and Hold On](#)" in *The Great British Columbia ShakeOut*, (<http://www.shakeoutbc.ca>), the largest earthquake drill in Canadian history! In the coming weeks, our CPAC Emergency Preparedness Committee will be coordinating, with your help, the preparation of individual Student Comfort Kits. Watch for information to be sent home with your child. Finally, our Oct. 25th CPAC meeting will feature a presentation on Emergency Preparedness by an international expert who will be working with us to assess our school's readiness. Parents interested in assisting the CPAC Emergency Preparedness Committee are encouraged to contact Gina Bromley at ginabromley@hotmail.com.

Have You Given Consent for the School Directory?

We want to remind parents that without specific consent to include your child's name and contact information in

this year's school directory, we won't be able to include them in the fall edition expected to be emailed out to Cleveland families in mid-October. To make sure that your child is included, please go to www.clevelandpac.com. Further instructions are also available at <http://www.clevelandpac.com/directory-instruction.html>.

Still Seeking Class Reps

As of the middle of this week, the following divisions still require a parent volunteer or two to act as a Class Rep – F01, F05, E02, Beginning Strings and Continuing Strings. This important position does not require a large time commitment and is manageable for parents who are employed during the day. To sign up or learn more about being a class rep, visit www.clevelandpac.com.

Family Photo Days: Sitting Fees Required by October 5th

For those families who already booked a session for our "Family Photo Days" with MJM Studios and chose to pay by cheque, please note that the payment deadline is now **Wed., October 5th**. Kindly deposit your cheque into the CPAC box outside the office as soon as possible.

As part of this fundraising event, families pay \$20 for a 10 min portrait sitting with professional photographers from MJM Studios (www.mjmstudios.biz) who will be setting up a studio in our school's small gym. The CPAC receives the \$20 sitting fee and you receive a free 8"x10" of your choice, with the option to then purchase additional photos directly from MJM, if you would like. Sessions will be held Friday, Oct 14 (5-9pm) and Saturday, Oct 15 (9am-2pm). Sign up now at www.clevelandpac.com before the event sells out!

Don't Forget About Supplies Charge Cheques

We are still accepting Supplies Charge cheques. For those new to the school, these extra funds at the beginning of the year help to enrich our children's classroom environments by providing much needed art supplies, home readers, computer hardware and software upgrades, music and performing arts resources, etc. So if you haven't gotten around to it yet, please drop off your family's contribution in the school office. Supplies Charge forms to attach to your cheque are available at www.clevelandpac.com.

Safety Patrol Up and Running Next Week

This year Safety Patrol has 63 student volunteers! Students were trained by the BCAA last Friday, and will be in full swing starting next Monday. Please watch their signals and drive extra slowly. Many of the patrollers are new this year and will be in training. For those of you crossing at the crosswalk, please cross at the second whistle.

Our school has a LOT of traffic in the mornings and after school. Do your part to reduce congestion by parking in allotted zones and walking to drop off or pick up your child. Please be sure to use the DROP OFF areas for dropping off only – DO NOT PARK OR GET OUT OF

YOUR CAR as this clogs the flow of traffic. RCMP and District Bylaw officers patrol the area **regularly** and will write tickets in the case of violations!

Also, as we have a big crew this year, we will need parent volunteers to supervise. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safety Patrol, please email tanyacowie@shaw.ca.

Our First CPAC Meeting of the Year

We had a full library of Cleveland parents for our first CPAC meeting of the year this Tuesday. Everyone had a chance to re-connect and hear from our new principal, Mr. Doug Beveridge, and our new vice-principal, Ms. Carla Orr. Meeting minutes are available at www.clevelandpac.com.

Mark your calendars now for our next meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 25th when our guest speaker Bernadette Voit will be speaking to us about Emergency Preparedness and what action Cleveland parents need to take to ensure that our children will be safe for 72 hours following a natural disaster that occurs during school hours.

Our Forest

A BIG THANK YOU to Rob Brandeth-Gibbs and Jim Hunt for reinstalling all the snowfencing around our young forest plantings this past weekend. Remember that there are a lot of new plants that won't survive being stepped on so watch where you walk/run while in the forest.

Volunteers

Thank you to everyone who signed up to volunteer for events on the CPAC's new online volunteer form. If you haven't already done so, please visit our website at www.clevelandpac.com and indicate at which events you are able to volunteer this year. We really appreciate all helping hands!

Join Us and Walk to School on IWALK Day – October 5, 2011

In spite of some rain here and there, it's great to see so many students and families choosing to walk to Cleveland on Wednesdays. For those of you still wondering about walking to school, here are the top 10 reasons for making this choice:

The Top Ten Reasons For Walking to School

1. Health – Being physically active builds aerobic and cardiovascular fitness
2. Environment – Less cars on the road means better air and less pollution
3. Social – Opportunity to meet with friends and enjoy talking before school starts

4. Safety – Opportunity to learn and practice safe pedestrian skills
5. Community – Walking and working together builds a sense of community and friendship
6. Academic – Students who walk to school generally have improved concentration and do better on exams
7. Development – Walking or biking regularly establishes healthy lifelong habits
8. Less traffic – Less cars on the road means safer streets
9. Economical – Operating a car is expensive. Walking or biking is not.
10. Protect our children – Many accidents happen during school drop-off and pick-up times. Less traffic congestion means safer roads for our children and less frustration for parents.

If you are thinking about joining us for Walking Wednesdays, then this is the week to start. October 3-7 is International Walk to School Week and October 5th is International Walk to School (IWALK) Day!! Help us to celebrate this day along with schools from all over the world while promoting and celebrating the many benefits of walking.

Reminder – Kids Ride Free on Translink – Translink will provide free transit for elementary, middle and secondary school students in Greater Vancouver to mark International Walk to School Week.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WOZA AFRICA YOUTH 4 YOUTH – at Kay Meek Theatre Saturday, October 15th. Show premiering the Afro-fusion dance-opera “Muti Usina Zita” – The Tree with No Name. Featuring the ProArte Dancers, choreographed by Astrid Sherman with original music composed by Cathy Delmei, followed by several youth choirs from Vancouver and the North Shore. All proceeds go to youth education in Gugulethu and other townships outside Cape Town, South Africa. **Melissa** and **Katrina Becker-Gedge** from Cleveland are 2 of the 45 contemporary dancers in the show. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Kay Meek box office @ 604-913-3634. For more information on fundraising efforts go to www.educaionwithoutborders.ca

<p style="text-align: center;">Week Ahead Tuesday, October 4th – Food Day Magic Lunch Box Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, October 5th – Garbage Free Lunch Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, October 6th – Food Day Sushi/Wrap & Smoothie Day</p>
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Professional Days for 2011-2012

Monday, September 19, 2011 School Based
Friday, October 21, 2011 Province Wide
Monday, January 16, 2012 Curriculum Implementation Day, District Wide
Friday, February 24, 2012 School Based, District Wide
Friday, May 4, 2012 School Based, District Wide
Thursday, June 28, 2012 School Based

Tuesday, October 4 (1:45 dismissal) District Wide Staff Training on
Procedures for Reporting Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect.

GRADE 7 BOYS BASKETBALL

All games are on a Monday.

Games start approximately at 3:30 and finish around 4:30.

DATE	TEAM 1	TEAM 2
October 3 rd	Montroyal @ Cleveland	Cleveland @ Montroyal
October 17 th	Montroyal @ Cleveland	Cleveland @ Highlands
October 24 th	Cleveland 1 vs. Cleveland 2	Cleveland 2 vs. Cleveland 1
October 31 st	Canyon Heights @ Cleveland	Cleveland @ Montroyal
November 7 th	Cleveland @ Highlands	Canyon Heights @ Cleveland

GRADE 7 GIRLS BASKETBALL

All games are on a Tuesday.

Games start approximately at 3:30 and finish around 4:30.

DATE	
October 11 th	Canyon Heights @ Cleveland
October 18 th	Cleveland @ Highlands
October 25 th	Cleveland @ Montroyal
November 1 st	Canyon Heights @ Cleveland
November 8 th	Highlands @ Cleveland

CROSS COUNTRY MEETS

Races will all start at 3:45 p.m. and the order is Grades 4, 3, 7, 6 and 5 (boys then girls).

Wednesday, October 5 th @ Cates Park
Wednesday, October 12 th @ Inter River Park
Wednesday, October 19 th @ Carisbrooke School
Wednesday, October 26 th @ Cates Park

