

# Cove Cliff Elementary



Newsletter 3

November 29, 2010

## Principal's Message

Well, we are coming to the end of a very wet and wintry November. December is almost here and the halls are ringing with the sounds of Christmas carols as students prepare for the Primary Christmas Concert (**a reminder that we are holding our primary concert in December and will be presenting an intermediate concert in February**).

We have just concluded our Parent-Teacher Conferences and we would like to thank all of our parents for taking the time to be so involved in the education of your children. This is a wonderful time to engage in discussions with your child(ren) about their progress. Please take the time to celebrate the positives and reflect upon the areas that require further improvement. Remember that the upcoming report cards are a "snapshot" of where your child is at - at that point and time. Discussion and reflection are extremely important in this process as our teachers spend a tremendous amount of time creating a report that reflects your child's current academic profile.

Lastly, on November 10<sup>th</sup> we held our Remembrance Day Ceremony at Cove Cliff. The Remembrance Day service is a very important event at our school and the respect demonstrated every year by our students is truly remarkable. Once again the student performances were incredibly moving and we thank Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Lund for their continued hard work. We would like to offer a very big "thank you" to our choir, for their amazing performance.

Wayne Mitchell, Principal

## Cove Cliff Student Shopping Day Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> (**please note the new date!!**)

**\$1 a gift!!**

On Wednesday December 15<sup>th</sup> our Gr. 7's will be hosting our school wide student shopping day. Students will go into the gym with their buddy class and shop for a Christmas gift for a family member. They will also wrap the gift. Students will be guaranteed the purchase of 1 gift (\$1). Students may bring more money to purchase further gifts if quantities allow. All proceeds from the sale will go to the Empty Stocking Fund. Leftover items will be sent to the Salvation Army.



### Request for donations!

**When:** December 1st – December 14<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Drop off in main hall outside Kindergarten room

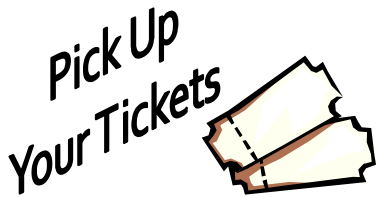
### What we would like: **NEW OR NEARLY NEW ITEMS**

Children's books/puzzles/games  
Children's toys  
DVD'S / CD'S  
Kitchen items and house wares  
Bath and spa/beauty/candles  
Frames  
Jewelry  
Stationary  
Christmas giftware  
Ribbon, tissue paper, wrapping paper  
Gift bags & gift boxes

**\*\* PLEASE NO FOOTWEAR, CLOTHING OR FOOD**

Questions? Contact Mrs. Hoath, 604-903-3420.

## Music



Our **December Primary Concert** always draws a large audience and we need your assistance in making it possible for everyone to enjoy the performance in comfort.

Div. 6-14 families have been allotted 2 complimentary tickets for the Primary concert. Tickets must be picked up from the school office from **December 6th to December 10th**. Please make arrangements to pick up your tickets by **December 10th**. If you are unable to pick-up tickets yourself, please write a note indicating your child will be picking up your family's tickets. To avoid disappointment please make sure that you pick up your tickets before **December 10th** otherwise the extra tickets will be made available on a first come, first serve basis to anyone who needs extras. These extra tickets will be available in the school office on Monday, **December 13th** starting at 8:30 am. These extra tickets will be limited to two per family. Families with special circumstances, please speak to Mr. Mitchell directly.

Again, tickets are **FREE**, but in order to comply with seating capacity regulations, audience members **MUST HAVE TICKETS** for the evening performance. Anyone is welcome to attend our Dress Rehearsal Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in the afternoon. Tickets are **NOT** required for afternoon dress rehearsal performances.

### PRIMARY CONCERT - Divisions 8 - 13

Dress Rehearsal – Tuesday December 14th at 1:30 pm  
Evening Concert – Tuesday December 14th at 7:00 pm

### INTERMEDIATE CONCERT - Divisions 1 – 7

Dress Rehearsal – Thursday February 17th at 1:30 pm  
Evening Concert – Thursday February 17th at 7:00 pm.

### BAND CONCERT (NO tickets required)

Dress rehearsal -Friday December 10th 2:00 pm  
(at Cove Cliff)  
Evening concert- Friday December 10th 7:00 pm  
(at Seycove Secondary School)

### **Schools can also be affected by heavy snowfall:**

In the event of a major snowfall, local area schools may be closed. Please check the following websites during a snow event for more information regarding possible school

### Vancouver Coastal Health

#### Immunization Update



The first round of grade 6 and grade 9 immunizations are now complete. Thank you to students, parents, and school staff for making these fall clinics a success.

#### Reminders:

- Kindergarten students - between 4-6 years of age require a booster dose of Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis and Polio is recommended. Please contact public health or your family doctor to book an appointment.
- Always keep a copy of your child's immunizations records. This information is often needed for college, travel, etc and may be difficult to find. Now is the time to make sure the immunization record is complete.

### Extra Curricular

Cove Cliff's **Basketball Teams** have completed a very successful season. Boys and Girls from grade six and seven formed four teams this year. All students have developed their basketball skills throughout the season and have demonstrated great sportsmanship and spirit. We are proud of their efforts! A huge thanks to Coaches, sponsors and parents, who volunteered many hours of their time.



## Student Leadership

We would like to acknowledge all of our student volunteers who support our community by giving of their time and energy in helping to make our school a better place.

Many of our Intermediate students are involved in supporting our school through volunteering: as lunch monitors who support primary students in their classrooms from 12:00 – 12:20 pm; ball monitors that provide equipment for recess and lunch activity and our Gr. 5 student recycle teams. A special thanks to all of our older students who offer help and assistance to our younger students.

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## Pumpkin Run

On Friday, October 29th, the students at Cove Cliff participated in the annual Pumpkin Run. The students ran or walked with their buddies and returned to the school for a draw of over 80 carved pumpkins

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## What to wear...



It's time to dig out those warm winter jackets and boots....we want all our children to be warm and dry during our cold, wet and sometimes blustery days! Our goal is to have students out in the fresh air during their breaks and to have them comfortable for working in the classroom during the afternoon. Dressing appropriately for the weather and possible changes has a positive impact for all. If you have a child who "has difficulty" staying dry, you might want to send along a set of emergency clothes to be kept in the classroom for those days when "accidental puddle slips" happen!



## Community News

### Grade 4 & 5 Snow Pass

It is time once again for the Grade 4 & 5 Snow Pass! Now in its 13<sup>th</sup> year, families across Canada continue to embrace the opportunity for their children to ski and snowboard for FREE! (there is a \$16 administration fee). Offered by the Canadian Ski Council and the Canada West Ski Area Association, every nine and ten year old will have the chance to ski and board for free this winter! The snow pass holder can ski at each of 32 participating ski areas in BC three times for free during the 2009/10 season (Seymour and Grouse included). Brochures and applications are available at the following website [www.snowpass.ca](http://www.snowpass.ca) where they can be downloaded.

### Injury Prevention

**CHILD CAR RESTRAINTS** It is now law that children 40 pounds (18 kilograms) must be in a booster seat until they are 9 years old or 4"9" (156centimeters) tall, every time they travel by car.



There are many types of booster seats available to choose from. For more information see: [www.childseatinfo.ca](http://www.childseatinfo.ca)

### Health Matters

Boost your brain power by giving it fuel, physical activity and a good night's sleep. Exercise is the single most powerful tool you have to improve your brain function at any age.

- Enjoy 3 meals a day and healthy snacks
- Eat lots of fruit and veggies – bright green and orange
- Reach for whole grain food
- Drink Water regularly, throughout the day
- Reduce sugar and caffeine
- choose foods that are less processed



## DECEMBER 2010

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Div 4 @ LMCC Artists for Kids	3 Hot Dog Lunch	4 Santa's Breakfast Parkgate
5 Pick up tickets for Primary Concert at school office this week. Monday to Friday	6 PAC Meeting 7:00 pm in the Library	7 Div 5 to Science World	8	9	10 Pizza Day Band Concert 2:00 pm CoveCliff 7:00 pm-Seycove	11
12	13 Magic Lunch Box	14 Primary Concert Dress Rehearsal 1:30pm Evening Performance 7:00pm	15 <b>Shopping Day</b> Div 3 / 4 Swimming @ Ron Andrews 1-3pm	16	17 Subway Lunch	18 Christmas Vacation begins
19	20 Winter Vacation No School	21 Winter Vacation No School	22 Winter Vacation No School	23 Winter Vacation No School	24 Winter Vacation No School	25 <b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>
26 <b>BOXING DAY</b>	27 Winter Vacation No School	28 Winter Vacation No School	29 Winter Vacation No School	30 Winter Vacation No School	31 Winter Vacation No School	Classes resume Tuesday, Jan 4 <sup>th</sup> 2011

Merry  
Christmas