

ÉCOLE ROBB ROAD ÉLÉMENTAIRE / Comox Valley School (SD71)

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The RR Weekly - October 21st - 25th

Dear Robb Road Families,

We hope families were not too adversely affected by the wild weekend weather. Let's hope for a few sunny days to dry everything off! Here are a few highlights for your consideration this week:

<u>1. No School Friday - Professional Development Day</u> – This Friday, October 25^{th}, is a Professional Development Day for staff and there is no school for students.

<u>2. Book Character Pumpkin Parade</u> – <u>Please click on the following link</u> for the book character pumpkin parade details. A fun event organized by Mme Pontus, our Teacher-Librarian.

<u>**3. Grade 4-5 Basketball**</u> – There will be no grade 4/5 Basketball session this Friday, October 25th, because of the Professional Development Day

<u>4. Playground</u> – The PAC Playground Committee is hard at work planning for the eventual playground replacement. They have created the <u>following info sheet</u> for your information and are <u>calling on artists to help teachers and classes create art work</u> for an eventual auction.

<u>5. ÉRR Spirit Wear</u> – The École Robb Road Spirit Store is open until November 4th if you are looking to buy a school logoed t-shirt, hoodie or sweatshirt: <u>https://store.passionsports.ca/robbroadspirit/shop/home</u>

6. Messages from your PAC

Salad Bar - (Grade 1-7)

Ordering for Salad Bar is now open and closing date is Monday, October 28th at noon. Please go to: <u>http://robbroad.hotlunches.net</u>.

If you have any questions or problems with ordering, please email: <u>RobbRoadHotLunch@gmail.com</u>

If ordering Salad Bar is a strain on your family budget, but you would like your child(ren) to order, please reach out to any teachers, admin or PAC. Orders will be placed anonymously and funded through PAC donations.

Hot lunch - Oct 24th – Pita Pit

Halloween Howl 2024 – Family Dance

Halloween Dance at Ecole Robb Road on Wednesday, October 30 from 5:30-7:30pm in the school gym. But we are looking for volunteers to make the event a success!

Volunteers are needed for decorations (please contact Brandy Waterfall directly (<u>brandywaterfall@gmail.com</u>)) if you can help in advance and/or the day of. PAC is also looking for volunteers to support the event (assisting with set up, providing "security" for short periods of time and clean up after the event). Please email <u>chairerrpac@gmail.com</u> if you can assist.

Again this year, the Grade 7s will be fundraising for their year end experience/field trip at the Halloween Dance. If you are a Grade 7 family, please sign up here: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044CADA92BA1FE3-52069170-robb</u> or contact Alex (<u>Alexandra.khan@gmail.com</u>) directly.

Pizza and concession

- Pizza must be pre-ordered from: <u>https://robbroad.hotlunches.net/admin/</u> Order deadline is 12pm, Monday Oct 28

- Families with multiple students, order for the whole family from one account. No refunds available from this fundraising event. Pizza served from 5:30 - 6:30 pm.

- Please also bring cash for the concession

This event is a family function requiring adult supervision of each child - no drop offs please. We look forward to another entertaining Halloween Dance.

<u>7. Halloween</u>: As families start preparing for Halloween, here are a few things to consider when sending your child to school with their costume:

* We'll have a costume parade starting at 9:00 am Thursday, October 31st

* Keep accessories to a minimum to avoid the disappointment of lost / misplaced / damaged items

* If a mask is part of a costume, it can be worn during the costume parade. Because a mask limits vision, we'll ask students to remove costume masks in the classroom and during recess (for safety)

* Guns, knives, swords and all such accessories are great for trick-or-treating at night....but not for school. Please keep them home.

* Candy is a fun part of Halloween. Everyone loves it, but please send sparingly following Halloween

- * A change of clothing during the day is always helpful
- * Pyjama Day on November 1st and many classes will have a cooperative games themed day

<u>8. Comox Rec Centre Halloween</u> – The Comox Rec Centre is hosting a Halloween event for families on Friday, October 25th. <u>Click here for details</u>.

<u>9. DPAC Speaker Series</u> – <u>Click here for more information</u> on the next DPAC Speaker Series session

<u>**10.** StrongStart</u> – If you have a 4 year-old at home and are interested in attending a StrongStart program, <u>click here for more information</u>.

<u>11. Rent Bank</u>: The Rent Bank is a service available to renters who are facing a short-term financial crisis that is impacting their ability to pay rent or essential utilities. <u>Please click on this link for more information.</u>

12. Additional Funding for Military Families: Support our Troops Tutoring Reimbursement program. More information here: <u>Tutoring Reimbursement Program - Support Our Troops</u>

Support our Troops Special Needs grants- for families that may be requiring funds to cover private assessments/re-assessments, therapies and acquisition of specialized materials and resources. This grant can be applied for yearly. SSIP can help families fill out the application form, but if they have more questions, you are welcome to reach out to the CMFRC. More information can be found here <u>Special Needs Grants - Support Our Troops</u>

13. Dates to Remember

Wednesday, October 23rd – Cross Country race @ Huband
Thursday, October 24th – Drop Everything And Read – 1:10-1:25 pm
Friday, October 25th – Provincial Professional Development Day (No School)
October 24th – 30th – Book Character Pumpkin Parade
Wednesday, October 30th – Student Photo Retakes (8:45 am – 9:30 am)
Wednesday, October 30th – Halloween Howl 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Thursday, October 31st – Halloween Parade @ 9:00 am
Friday, November 1st – Day of Play + Pyjama Day
Friday, November 8th – Remembrance Day Assembly @ 11:30 am
Monday, November 11th – No School – Remembrance Day
Thursday, November 21st – Non-Instructional Day – Parent Teacher Interviews

Have a great week!

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I respectfully acknowledge that we are on the unceded traditional territory of the Pentlatch, E'iksan, Sahtloot and Sasitla Peoples (K'omoks First Nations) and am thankful for the privilege of living on the land and the gift of working with their children.