

# From the Raven's Nest...

for Friday, November 17, 2023



**DECEMBER is here!** and with it are all of the various events and celebrations that this time of year and the holiday season bring. On Monday is our Curriculum Catch up afternoon and then on Sunday, the choir will be performing as part of the Esquimalt Celebration of Lights at 6pm and then next week we will be having our Winter concerts here at the school on Wednesday Dec 6. Please read carefully for some of the other upcoming events!

## What's happening at Rockheights next week:

### Monday, Nov 27<sup>th</sup> -

- Curriculum Catch Up afternoon- 11:55am dismissal
- 3:45pm Gr 7/8 Boys Basketball games at GORDON HEAD

### Tuesday, Nov 28<sup>th</sup>

- Pizza sales today!- Preorder using [www.schoolcashonline.com](http://www.schoolcashonline.com)

### Wednesday, Nov 29<sup>th</sup>

- Noon - Rainbow Ravens
- Grade Six Maturation talks
- 3pm-5pm Ravens Club in the Home Ec. Room

### Thursday, Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

- SUBWAY Lunches for those that ordered

### Friday, Dec 1<sup>st</sup>

- 3:45pm Gr 6/7 Boys Basketball games at ROCKHEIGHTS
- Grade 8 maturation talks

### Looking Further Ahead:

**Sunday December 3** – Esquimalt Celebration of Lights

**Wednesday December 6** – 7pm- Winter Concerts at Rockheights

**Friday December 8** – Learning Updates available through ParentConnect

**Pizza reminder!** – If you are interested in ordering Pizza for your child please do so using SchoolCash Online **before Sunday at midnight**. All pizzas are on whole wheat crust and pre-orders are required.

## ***PAC Update!- Purdy's Chocolates Sale***

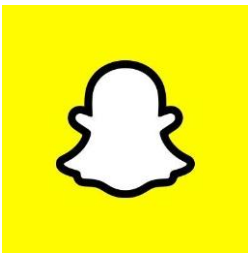
And just like that, we were able to extend the deadline for ordering Purdy Chocolates. The deadline is now December 8th for ordering with an arrival date of December 15th. So far we have over \$70, thank you to everyone who has ordered, spread the word, and supported our cause as our goal is to raise \$300.

You still have a couple of weeks to submit but do it soon! Time hops quicker than we all think.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to PAC at [pacforrockheights@gmail.com](mailto:pacforrockheights@gmail.com)

You can order your seasonal treats using this link: <https://fundraising.purdy.com/1814269-112187>, or use our campaign number to order 70662

HAPPY SHOPPING!



**SOCIAL MEDIA REMINDER** : I wanted to ask that all families spend some time connecting with your children about their social media presence. We have had quite a few incidents with students that have been messaging people that they do not know through platforms such as Snapchat. We have also had students approached, virtually, and offered illegal products such as vapes and even narcotics. This is incredibly dangerous and a good reminder to be connecting with your children and actively monitoring their social media interactions to ensure they are safe and healthy.

**Esquimalt Celebration of Lights**  
SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER 3RD 2023  
**FESTIVE FAMILY FUN!**  
3 PM TO 7 PM

- ★ LIVE MUSIC, PERFORMANCES, PARADE
- ★ 3 PM PERFORMANCES @ ARCHIE BROWNING
- ★ 5 PM PARADE START @ CANTEEN RD
- ★ 5-30 PM SNACKS BY DONATION, SANTA + MORE!

FEATURING CHRISTMAS CAROLS WITH MAUREEN WASHINGTON & ROCKHEIGHTS MIDDLE SCHOOL (5:30 PM) & SPECIAL GUESTS FROM ESCOLE VICTOR BROOKER, MACAULAY ELEMENTARY, ALL GAUL, UDE MUSIC (3 PM)

BRING A NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEM FOR THE RAINBOW KITCHEN!  
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### UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

**Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> (6pm) - The Esquimalt Celebration of Lights- the choir will be singing at Archie Browning Recreation Centre. Bring your family and loved ones for a light-up parade and to hear us sing with professional singer Maureen Washington.**

**Wednesday December 6<sup>th</sup> (7pm) - music students will be performing in our Winter concerts in the Rockheights Gym. All music students will be performing in our holiday-themed concerts. You can find more information on [www.rockheightsmusic.com](http://www.rockheightsmusic.com).**

Rockheights Music proudly presents  
**Winter Concert**  
7pm, December 6th, 2023  
Rockheights Gym

Choir! Strings! Band!  
Bring the whole family!  
Admission is free. Donations to support the music program are gratefully accepted.  
[www.rockheightsmusic.com](http://www.rockheightsmusic.com)

### **LEARNING UPDATE INFORMATION**

As mentioned in earlier notices, all Learning Updates (what used to be called report cards) will be posted and accessed online. Parents will need to log onto the Greater Victoria Parent Connect site (<https://parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca/Identity/Account/Login>) which is the same website that you used to grant permissions at the start of the year. Please ensure that you are able to log on to this website as it will be how you get your child's progress report on December 8<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions or struggles logging in, please let me know and I can try to support you with that.

Once again, just a reminder that we know that there have been some strong cold and flu bugs going through our community and we hope that you are reminding your child to continue best practices of hand washing, covering your mouth when they cough and completing daily health checks. We are a community that takes care of each other and hope you are staying healthy.

Sincerely, *Aaron Maxwell and Tania Singh*