

From the Raven's Nest...

for Friday, November 1, 2024



Lest we Forget... It has definitely been a busy week! The past week has seen the first basketball games of the season (in which both boys teams played very well!) as well as Halloween which was a great day with lots of students in costume. Thank you for all of your support with this and we hope you had a great week as well. With this coming week, we appreciate the opportunity to reflect and acknowledge the sacrifice that so many have made to protect our freedoms. We realize that many members of our school community have either served or are currently serving in the Canadian Armed forces and appreciate those of you that have shared photos and stories of your connections to the armed forces. If you have not sent in images please ensure you have them sent in by Monday November 4th so they can be included.



What's happening at Rockheights next week:

Monday, Nov 4th

- Noon - Rainbow Ravens
- 3:45pm Gr 7/8 Boys Basketball games at ROCKHEIGHTS

Tuesday, Nov 5th

- Pizza sales today!- Preorder online by Sunday evening using www.schoolcashionline.com
- 12pm Gr 6/7 Girls Basketball practice in the gym

Wednesday, Nov 6th

- 12pm Gr 6/7 Boys basketball practice in the gym
- 3pm Gr 6/7 Girls Basketball practice in the gym

Thursday, Nov 7th

- SUBWAY Lunches for those that ordered
- 12pm Gr 7/8 Boys basketball practice in the gym
- 2pm Lockdown Drill
- 3:45pm Gr 6/7 Boys Basketball games at ROCKHEIGHTS

Friday, Nov 8th - No Stone Left Alone events

- 10:15am Remembrance Day ceremony

Looking Further Ahead:

November 11 Remembrance Day Holiday

November 12 PAC Budget meeting

November 15 Grade 6 Immunizations

PLEASE ensure you have sent in the permission forms if you have not already done so.

Pizza update Thank you to everyone who placed their orders online using SchoolCash Online. **ALL ORDERS WILL NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY MIDNIGHT ON THIS SUNDAY.** All orders can be placed using www.schoolcashionline.com We will still try to have a couple of pizzas for those students that forget to order online, but availability will not be guaranteed if you have not pre-ordered!



RMS PAC News:

Calling All Chocolate-lovers!

Want to know the most DELICIOUS way to support us? Order Purdys chocolates from our fundraiser! This year, we're hoping to raise **\$1000** for Rockheights Middle School PAC, and we need YOUR help!

From now until November 24, 2024, you can order Purdys treats from our fundraiser by joining our campaign and browsing the tastiest selection of chocolates online. Shop gifts for family, friends, neighbours AND yourself in one convenient place. After all orders are submitted, pickup will be held on the evening of the Music programs Winter Concert on Dec 11, 2024.

What you'll need to order:

1. Our campaign number: **70662**
2. Go to our fundraising website:
<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1982981-120957>
3. Click "Join Campaign"
4. Shop, shop, shop away!

Thank you EVERYONE for your support. Even if you can't buy chocolates from us, it would mean the world if you could share this fundraiser link to everyone you know!

Remembrance Day - Lest we Forget

Rockheights Middle School will be having our annual Remembrance Day assembly on Friday November 8 starting about 10:15am (the gym will be open by 10am). Family and guests are welcome to join us. One piece of the assembly is a slideshow to recognize the various family connections that our students and staff have to the armed forces. If you have a family member that has served, or maybe is currently serving in the armed forces could you please email me (amaxwell@sd61.bc.ca) a photo of the person, including their name and connection to the child at the school. These will be put together into a slideshow that will be incorporated into our assembly. **ALL PHOTOS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MONDAY NOVEMBER 4.**

Thank you for your support with this and hopefully some of you will be able to join us on the 8th.

STUDENT SAFETY

Just a reminder that we need to be extra careful when picking up or dropping off students here at Rockheights. The congestion that results, especially at the end of the school day, often creates unsafe situations for our students and neighbours. A few reminders that we ask you to follow:

- 1. Please remind your child that they should be using the dedicated crosswalks, as running across the streets is not acceptable and can surprise people driving through.**
- 2. We also ask that parents not block driveways as our neighbours need to be able to come and go safely.**

Lastly, can you please try to avoid turning around in front of the school as that adds to the congestion and has led to several close calls with students. I realize it is a little further to continue along Highrock, but it does make it much safer for students.

On behalf of everyone here at the school, we hope you have a great weekend and hope that you can join us for the Remembrance Day ceremony on Friday at 10:15am.

Sincerely,

Aaron Maxwell
Principal

& *Tania Singh*
Vice-Principal

