From the Raven's Nest…

for Friday, November 6, 2026

Lest We Forget… Today we had our entire school visit Esquimalt Veteran's Cemetery (God's Acres), to recognize and remember our fallen military veterans by taking part in a "No Stone Left Alone" ceremony. This ceremony has been an important part of the Rockheights community and originated thirteen years ago, when grade 6 classes were the first students in British Columbia to participate in a No Stone Left Alone ceremony. I know that for me Remembrance Day gives me a chance to reflect on the many men and women that have served our country and the sacrifice that takes. I think of my great grandfather that fought at Vimy Ridge, but I also think about the many family members in our school community that currently serve in our armed forces.

Next week we will have our school based ceremony on Tuesday at 10:15 and we really hope our students will once again get a chance to take the time to remember, and reflect on, the sacrifice that has been made by the countless service men and women that have fought to ensure our safety and security. To those of you that have served, or are currently serving, THANK-YOU!







Monday, November 9th

- **Gr 8 Boys Basketball Practice at Lunch**
- **Grade 8 Boys game at ROCKHEIGHTS**

Tuesday, November 10th

- **10:15am Remembrance Day Ceremony in the Gym**
- **Rainbow Raven's in the Art Room at Lunch**
- **Athletic Leadership at Lunch**
- **RMSPAC Meeting at 6:30pm**

Wednesday, November 11th – REMEMBRANCE DAY HOLIDAY

Thursday, November 12th

- **DROP IN Intramural activities for all grades**
- **Subway Lunches for those that ordered**
- **Grade 8 Boys Practice after school**

Friday, November 13th

- **DROP IN Intramurals Basketball for all grades**

Looking Further Ahead:

November 20 Curriculum Catch Up Afternoon

November 27 Pro D Day

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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.schoolcashonline.com We will still try to have a couple of slices for those students that forget to order online, but availability will not be guaranteed if you have not pre-ordered!



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 to dress in reflective or highly visible clothing as it is quite dark in the mornings and difficult for drivers to see students in dark clothing**
2. **Students should be using the dedicated crosswalks, as running across the streets is not acceptable and can surprise people driving through.**
3. **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.

Remembrance Day Assembly – On Tuesday morning we will be having our Remembrance Day Assembly and parents are welcome to join us for it if you like. We will be loading the gym about 10am and the assembly will be starting around 10:15. Students that participate in cadets or scouts/guides are welcome to come in uniform as long as they have permission from yourself and their organization. The choir and strings ensemble will be performing one piece each, and students will be sharing their meaning of Remembrance Day. We look forward to once again focussing on the many servicemen and servicewomen that have and continue to sacrifice for our security and safety.

If not our school assembly, hopefully many of our families will be able to take part in one or more of the various ceremonies around town this weekend and next week.

Lest we Forget.



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