



**EDGEHILL
ELEMENTARY**
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Eagle Eye-MONTHLY NEWS

OCTOBER 2024

upcoming EVENTS

Thursday Oct. 24th **School Community Invited to Wear Orange every Thursday**

- 9:00am Div. 2 (Nordman) welcomes PRPL writer in residence, Robin Stevenson
- 10:45am Div. 3 (Harrison) welcomes PRPL writer in residence, Robin Stevenson
- Noon Grade 7 volleyball practice (Carson)
- 12:40pm Bus leaves for Fall XC Meet at Henderson – students bussed back at 2:15pm
- 12:45pm Jaxon the Therapy Dog & Jana with us (schedule TBD)
- 1:15pm Student Leader-Led Craft Activity with Div. 10 (Crookshank)
- 1:45pm Student Leader-Led Craft Activity with Div. 9 (Brockington)

Friday Oct. 25th **Provincial Pro D Day – school not in session for students**

Monday Oct. 28th

- 1:00pm Student Leader-Led Craft with Div. 7 (Adams)
- 2:00pm Student Leader-Led Craft with Div. 3 (Erik)

Tuesday Oct. 29th Photo Re-take Day (library)

- 10:00am PR Kings Read Program: Div. 6 (Guest)
- 1:00pm Volleyball game at Assumption (Harrison)

Wednesday Oct. 30th

- 5:00pm Evening Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday Oct. 31st

- am Costume Parade
- 11:00am Div. 10 Crookshank and Div. 7 Adams to Kiwanis Garden Manor

Friday Nov. 1st Parent-Teacher Conferences – **school not in session for students**



Best of luck to our Cross-Country Runners tomorrow, heading to Henderson Elementary!

Parent-Teacher CONFERENCES

5pm-7pm **30**
OCTOBER 2024

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9am-3pm **1**
NOVEMBER 2024
(No school for students on the 1st!)

- CONFERENCES ARE SCHEDULED FOR 15 MINUTES
- LOCATION: IN YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM
- IF THE DOOR IS CLOSED WHEN YOU ARRIVE, PLEASE WAIT QUIETLY IN THE HALLWAY
- AS THIS IS A PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE, STUDENTS ARE NOT INVITED

USE THIS LINK TO BOOK YOUR PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE!



Domino's PIZZA HOT LUNCH




2024 Hot Lunch Dates

Friday Nov. 15th
Friday Dec. 13th

ORDER NOW
WWW.MUNCHALUNCH.COM

For Nov. 15 Hot Lunch
Order by Tuesday Nov. 12

SOGI SNIPPETS

Did you know...

National Coming Out Day, observed on October 11th, honours the courage and rights of 2S/LGBTQ+ individuals to share their authentic selves – when they are ready and with those whom they choose.

Bite-sized bits of clarifying information for educators and families brought to you by the qathet School District SOGI Committee.

TMO Day is now a whole WEEK of activities & events!

WED OCT 23, 2024
TAKE ME OUTSIDE DAY



Take Me Outside Day 2024 Program
October 21-25, 2024

As you may or may not know, the Government of Canada announced the implementation of the new **Canadian Dental Care Plan**, as of December 18, 2023. Click on the links below to get more information and to learn how to apply.




The Canadian Dental Care Plan

Accessible. Affordable. Essential.

Find out if you qualify and how it can help you access oral health care services.

Canada.ca/dental
1-833-537-4342
TTY: 1-833-677-6262

Government of Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

Canada

[How to apply for CDCP online info graphic.pdf](#)

[Canadian Dental Care Plan - Eligibility for Children Under 18 - 1.pdf](#)



ABSENCES AND LATES

Planning on being away? Alarm Clock went off late? Not feeling well enough for school today? It happens, but please let us know by using SafeArrival and one of these 3 methods.

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the **SchoolMessenger app** from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>). The first time you use the app, select **Sign Up** to create your account. Select **Attendance** then **Report an Absence**.
2. Use the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>. Click on the Log In button on the top right hand side of the screen. Remember, the first time you use the website, select **Sign Up** to create your account. Select **Attendance** then **Report an Absence**.
3. Call the toll-free number **1-833-566-1226** to report an absence using the automated phone system.

*These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. *Future absences can be reported at any time.

In addition, we will use **SchoolMessenger Communicate** automated notification system to contact parents whose child is absent when the absence was not reported in advance. **The automated notification system will attempt to contact parents at multiple contact points until a reason is submitted for the absence.** If our system is unable to reach the designated contacts, office staff may follow up.

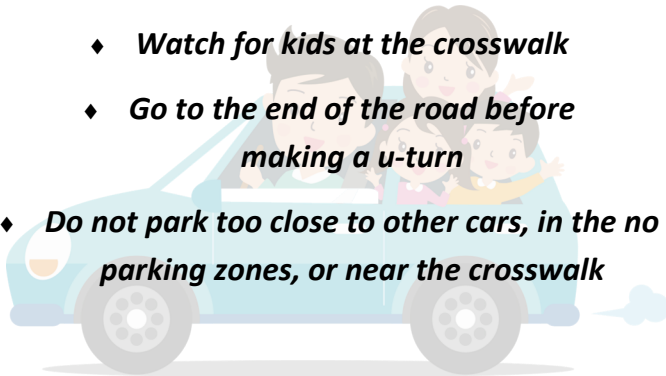
If you report your child's absence in advance using the SafeArrival toll-free number, website or mobile app, you will **NOT** receive these notifications.

Please note, if your child does come to school late, OR if they are leaving the school early, please have them check in/out at the office!

Traffic safety

Please remember to follow the traffic safety rules when dropping off or picking up your children.

- ◆ **Drive slowly—30 km/h**
- ◆ **Watch for kids at the crosswalk**
- ◆ **Go to the end of the road before making a u-turn**
- ◆ **Do not park too close to other cars, in the no parking zones, or near the crosswalk**



OTAGO RFC ROOKIE RUGBY MINI CAMP

KIDS INTRO TO RUGBY

**OCTOBER 26
2024
1:00-4:00PM**

Come join us for an afternoon of flag and non-contact rugby mini games!

Learn a globally popular and accessible sport fit for all athletes.

Location: Cranberry Field
Time: 1pm - 4pm
Date: October 26
Ages 7 - 12

\$35 / kid Register by October 20
(Includes t-shirt and Rugby Canada registration and insurance)

Please reach out if cost is a barrier

Email for questions and registration:
rookierugbyqathet@gmail.com



Every Tuesday, the PR Kings come and read with our students and sometimes even play road hockey with them at recess.

Congratulations to our "Reading Heroes" Jack N., Caustin K., and Victor B. who won tickets to a Kings game!

Thank you to:  **co-operators**
Investing in your future. Together.™



Grade 5/6 Active Passes

Being a more active and healthier community has many compounding benefits. These passes are designed to get elementary school aged children more active through physical sport and play.

Grade 5 Get Active Pass! The Grade 5 Get Active Pass provides unlimited free admissions to the Powell River Recreation Complex for School District 47 Grade 5 students from Labour Day to the end of each school year. Admissions are valid for public swimming, public skating, or shinny hockey. Apply at the Recreation Complex reception desk by bringing in a copy of your birth certificate, care card or Grade 5 report card for verification.

Grade 6 Stay Active Pass! The Grade 6 Get Active Pass provides 10 free admissions to the Powell River Recreation Complex for School District 47 Grade 6 students from Labour Day to the end of each school year. Admissions are valid for public swimming, public skating, or shinny hockey. Apply at the Recreation Complex reception desk by bringing in a copy of your birth certificate, care card or Grade 6 report card for verification.

A reminder to our families in Before and After School Care on Drop Off & Pick Up Times

Seamless Day Kindergarten Care:

- Earliest drop off is at 7:30 AM
- Last pick-up is at 5:30 PM

Before and After School Care for Grades 1 to 5:

- Earliest drop off is at 8:00 AM
- Last pick-up is at 5:00 PM

If there is a change in who is picking up the child or an emergency that impact pick-up time, please contact the program directly through a message in esiKidz parent portal or text/call the program during program hours 604-208-6980.



SUPERVISION FYI

Edgehill's grounds are supervised Monday through Friday by teachers, EA's, the principal and vice principal during the following times:

Before School: 8:40 to 8:55 am

After School: 2:48 to 3:00 pm

A reminder to parents that our grounds are not supervised at all other than the times listed above before and after school. To ensure your child's safety we request that students arrive at school no earlier than 8:40 am and go home after school unless they are being supervised by an adult.

Please note, in order to comply with licensing requirements, we kindly ask that you **vacate the playground between 3:00 and 5:00 PM each school day.** Unfortunately, children not in care cannot participate or share spaces with children in our after school programs. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we ensure a safe and enjoyable environment for everyone.

Thank you for your support!

Student Verification Forms



We have sent home a package with the following forms:

- 1) Student Verification Form
- 2) Blanket Permission Form
- 3) Media Release of Information

*****If your child has a medical alert that the school should know about, please contact the office for a Medical Information Form*****

These are very important forms that must be reviewed, signed and returned asap.

It is extremely important for the office to have the most up-to-date information. This can be changed at anytime throughout the year by contacting the office.

**PLEASE SEND IN THOSE FORMS IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO ALREADY!
NEED ANOTHER COPY?
CONTACT THE OFFICE!**

YOU'RE INVITED: YMCA CHILD CARE CENTRE GRAND OPENING!

Date: November 2nd, 2024

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm (*Ribbon Cutting at 11:00 am*)

Location: Edgehill YMCA Child Care
7312 Abbotsford Street

Join us for a snack and a tour of the new child care space!



FOOD At School

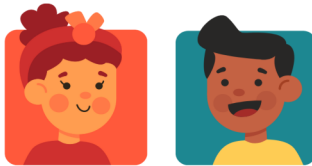
We know that for kids to learn they must feel safe, cared for, and fed. We also recognize that the rising price of food, like many other commodities in our community, is affecting families at our school. For this reason, we work to ensure that stigma-free healthy food is available to students who need it daily. As a school we provide breakfast in the morning, snacks and a lunch to students who do not have a lunch, or who do not have sufficient. This is separate from the BCFVP (infographic above).

It would be helpful for families to communicate with the school (office and teachers) early on about any allergies specific to their classrooms. If you have any questions or concerns about food at school or at home, feel free to contact the school.



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GRADES 5-7 STUDENT LEADERSHIP



HELP PLAN SCHOOL EVENTS!

MEET WITH MS. NORDMAN
TUESDAYS AT LUNCH

IN THE LIBRARY.
NOT EVERY WEEK.
OCCASIONAL SNACKS.

PAC MEETING



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH

7:00 PM IN THE EDGEHILL GYM

DON'T FORGET TO FALL BACK



Clocks go back 1
hour on
November 3rd

Due to some allergies in the school, we are Nut Aware and ask that you enjoy nut products at home.

PLEASE



NO PEANUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS

The season for bear sightings is upon us once again. Mr. Burt sent out a Bear Safety letter with safety advice for you to share with your children. We hope to ensure everyone's safety, especially on their way to and from school. A friendly reminder for parents/caregivers to use the Safe Arrival reporting system.

Also please note: Please ensure students do not arrive at the school before 8:40 in the morning, as that is when supervision starts.

Lice:

Although bothersome, head lice will not harm children and adults, nor cause illness. Having head lice does not mean a person is unclean or the environment is dirty. Head lice are almost always transmitted from one person to another by head-to-head contact. The only harmful effect from head lice is the way children and adults may react. Negative reactions to head lice can harm children's self-esteem and result in their isolation from others.

It is good practice to examine your child's head, and everyone else in the household, for lice and nits. Start examining the head by beginning around the ears and at the nape of the neck and then the rest of the head. If your child does have lice, begin treatment. Treatment consists of over-the-counter products and combing.

If you found lice on your child's hair or you need more information, please let the office know.



Bear Safety



- Be aware of your surroundings, watch for signs, make noise, carry bear spray.
- Keep pets on a leash. Do not let them chase wildlife.
- Learn more at www.wildsafebc.com on how to respond in a bear encounter.

Keeping wildlife wild and communities safe

This is our current Lost & Found situation!

Has anyone visited Banff, Ucluelet or Savary Island lately? Hoodies are here, amongst others!!



Lost & Found

Dressing for the Weather / Lost & Found

While we want to remind our students to dress for the weather, we realize that the Powell River weather can bring four seasons in one day! This often brings many items to the lost and found; as kids play, they get warm and the items fly off .

We encourage families to label everything so staff can find the owners easily.

It is also a good idea for students to have a change of clothes at the school in a bag with their name on it. Our lost & found will be put outside periodically and then donated on a regular basis.

DRESSING FOR COLD WEATHER

adding layers will help keep you warm as the temperature drops

CHILLY

- 1-2 layers
- long layer
- outer layer to keep out wind, rain
- warm shoes water proof

COLD

- 2-3 layers
- warm hat
- gloves
- outer layer to keep out wind, wet snow
- boots water proof
- 1-2 layers

EXTREME COLD

- 3+ layers 1 insulating
- warm hat
- face mask
- outer layer to keep out wind
- gloves
- boots water proof
- 2+ layers

weather.gov/safety