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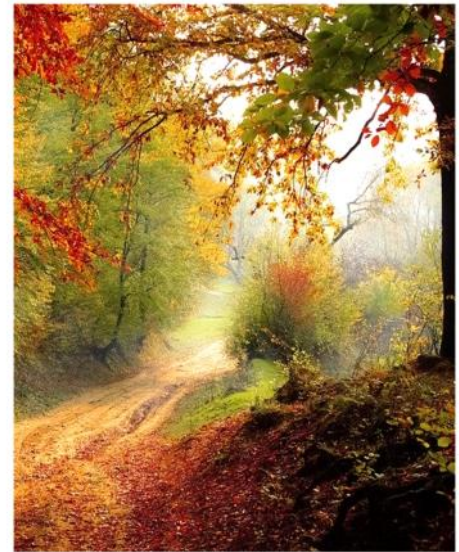
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Welcome and welcome back! Thank you to all of our students, their families and our staff for your patience and resilience as we work out new systems and processes. An indication of how things have been going for us is that the ‘September Newsletter’ is now the ‘Fall Newsletter’. With 15 new teachers and hundreds of new students, it has been a whirlwind start-up. We hope everything is up and running for your family. If not, please reach out to your family’s teacher and they will be happy to assist you. On behalf of our staff, I would like to wish everyone an outstanding 2020-2021 school year!



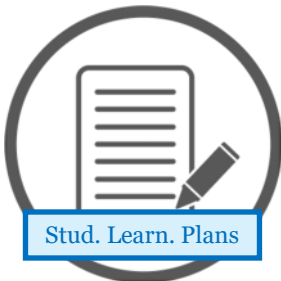
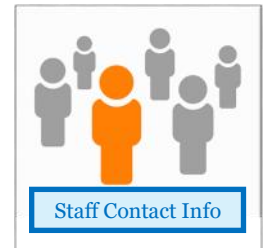
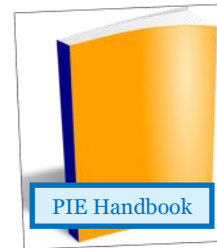
In the PIE program, we respectfully acknowledge, and are grateful, that we live, love, learn and play on the unceded traditional territories of the many First Nation communities in which our students, their families, and our staff live.

Announcements

- ⇒ First term report cards will be sent out by **Friday, Dec 18th**.
- ⇒ The last day of of this term is also **Friday, Dec 18th**, and the first day of term 2 will be **Monday, January 4th**. Teachers will respond to emails and phone calls sent during the break, as soon as possible, once they are back in their offices.
- ⇒ There is still time to fill out the [Mental Health Resources Survey](#), if you would like to help us focus our school goal to “Provide mental health support for PIE students, parents and staff” on issues and resources that may be of use to your family.



Online Resources



PIE Info

Motto:

Where Life and Learning Meet

Vision:

PIE supports students and parents to develop and carry out an educational program that meets provincial learning standards. Educational programs utilize paper and electronic resources, but also incorporate the experiences of the families, in order to realize the unique possibilities open to every student.

Design statements:

In the PIE program, we strive to:

- build supportive, respectful, trustworthy relationships with all members of our community, both in person and online;
- collaboratively develop individualized learning programs for every child and family that acknowledge, reflect and celebrate unique interests, passions, quirks, goals and abilities;
- be flexible in all aspects of our shared educational experiences.

PIE Showcase



PIE SHOWCASE



Maraika participated in a theatre intensive in the last week of August. The students did all of the scripting, costumes and set design. Way to go, everyone! If you would like to view the play, you can click on the picture below.



Some 'trick-or-treaters' in my neighbourhood this year and some students that dressed up for a Hallowe'en stories and crafts zoom session.



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Congratulations, Rozzy! What a fantastic name for the new MARS ambassador barred owl. Rozzy won the recent naming contest by suggesting 'Marlowe'. This name is exceptionally well-suited to the new ambassador because the other barred owl ambassador was already named Shakespeare and Christopher Marlowe was another famous 16th century bard (who, it has been suggested, likely collaborated with Shakespeare on the Henry VI plays). You can click on the picture or the link below to read the full story from the Comox Valley Record.



Photo taken by Jan Smith and retrieved from: <https://www.comoxvalleyrecord.com/community/new-mars-ambassador-owl-officially-named/>

Events

Interaction Day Events

Outdoor Learning Centre



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Interaction Day Events

Holly Hill Farm



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Interaction Day Events

Cumberland Community Forest



Nymph Falls Mountain Biking



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Penticton Maze Mountain Biking



October Learning Groups



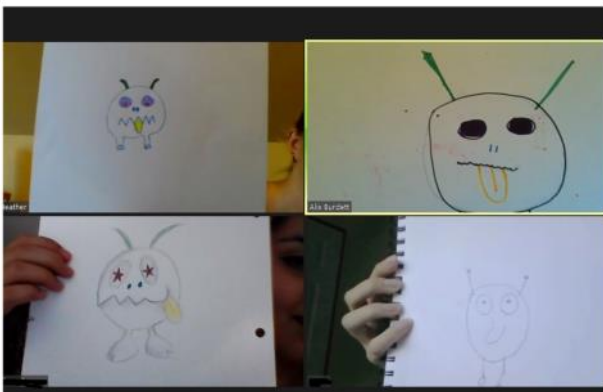
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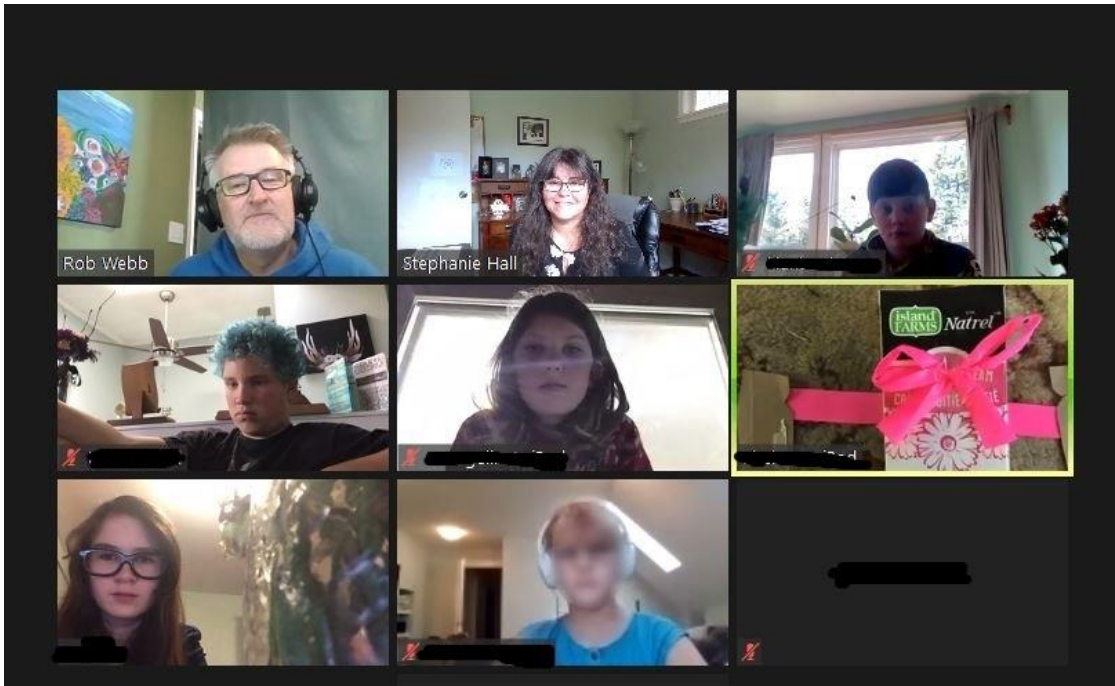
Beast Drawing Game



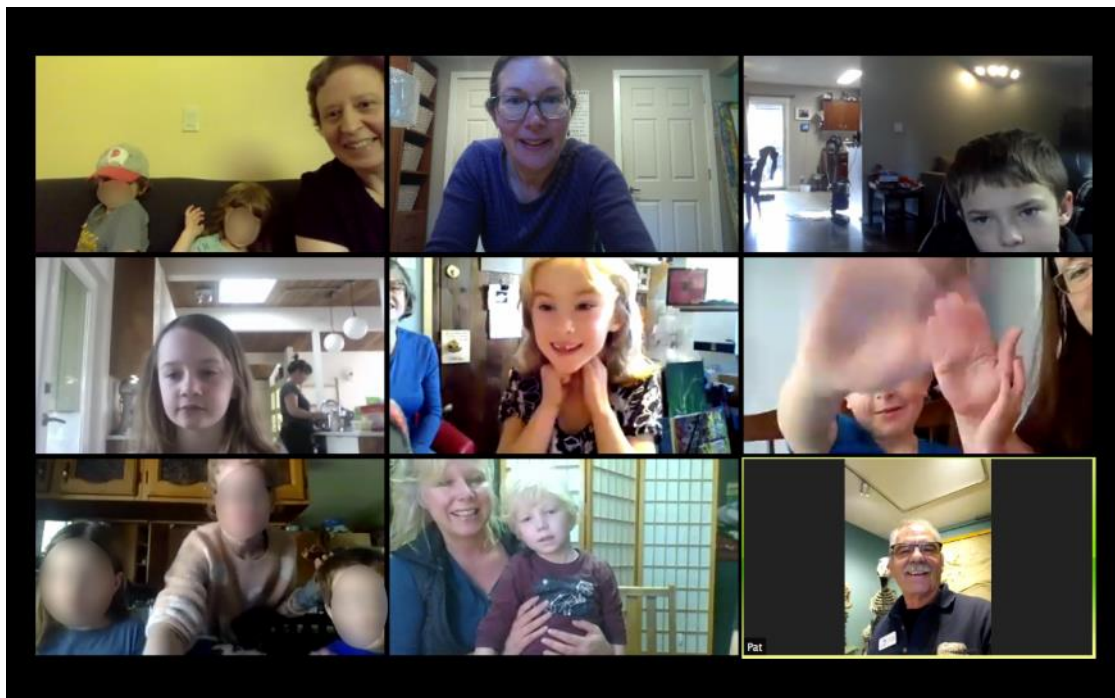
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Design Challenge



Fossil Talk With Pat Trask from Courtenay Museum



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Sprout Meadows



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Seal Bay



Nymph Falls



COVID-19 Info

COVID Info from the Powell River Division of Family Practice

What are COVID-19 Symptoms?

Only 3% of people with COVID-19 symptoms reported they got tested when having COVID-19 symptoms.

LOCAL COVID-19 SURVEY
REPLIES & RESULTS

COMMON COVID-19 SYMPTOMS
Some people have no symptoms from COVID-19, but most do. 90% of people have more than one symptom.

OTHER POSSIBLE SYMPTOMS

- LOSS OF SMELL OR TASTE • NAUSEA • VOMITING • DIARRHEA • ABDOMINAL PAIN • HEADACHE
- CONFUSION • RASHES • RUNNY NOSE

A message from Powell River physicians

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Key times to wear a face mask

- ✓ Out in public, specifically indoors, for example:
 - Stores
 - Waiting rooms
 - Hospital
 - Stairwells
 - Transit
- ✓ Sick and interacting with others at home or caring for someone sick.

Your face mask may help others.
Their face mask may protect you.

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The Swiss Cheese Model for Protecting Against COVID-19

Layers of protection add up!

No single measure is perfect on its own, but combined they are powerful.

Acknowledgements: J. Reason, Psychologist, swiss cheese model (2000), I. Mackay, Virologist, swiss cheese model applied to respiratory viruses (2020)

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KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP

Did you know the Powell River Division of Family Practice, an organization driven by the physicians and nurse practitioners in our area, is a great resource for reliable information and COVID-19 community updates? If you have questions or would like resources, you can find them on Facebook and Instagram at @prdivisionoffamilypractice, visit their website at www.divisionsbc.ca/powell-river and subscribe to Doctor's Notes, a regular email newsletter.