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Jessie Wowk News / October 30 - November

Oct. 30 Monday	
Oct. 31 Tuesday	Halloween at Wowk Thursday Thriller Performance at Burnett Secondary (8:30 – 9:15 am)
Oct. 1 Wednesday	Hot Lunch: Pizza Day (Order on Munch-a-Lunch)
Oct. 2 Thursday	Hot Lunch: (Order on Munch-a-Lunch) Fire Drill @ 10:25 am / Grade 6/7 Volleyball Game at Errington
Oct. 3 Friday	

After Photo Day

Another school photo day has come and gone and photo proofs will be delivered to us at the school soon! Students will receive their proofs only, with no physical order form, along with instructions on how to order online. Reducing the amount of physical items being passed through the school helps keep our students healthy and reduces paper waste. Ordering online comes with great perks like free shipping to your home on orders over \$50! Place your photo order today at edge imaging.ca/order.

A Brief Message from Richmond Christian School as Sometime Our Student's Items End Up in their Lost and Found Bin We wanted to let you know that we will be donating all items in our Lost and Found after November 2nd. On November 1 and 2, they will be displayed in our lobby. If you have an item that you cannot find at Wowk, please feel free to stop by RCS anytime, but the "final showcase" is on November 2.

Grade 5 Active Pass

The Grade 5 Active Pass is now available to all Richmond students registered in Grade 5. Each Pass includes free admission until June 30, 2024 to various drop-in programs at local community centres. Details about how to register are <u>available at this link</u>.

Halloween Plans

For this Tuesday, there will be a variety of Halloween activities here at Jessie Wowk for our students. This past Thursday we had the first part of our pumpkin patch and our primary students were able to come outside and choose a pumpkin. On Halloween morning our intermediate students will be able to do the same and choose a pumpkin to decorate and place on





display. There will also be a pirate theme to our pumpkin patch. None of this could be possible without the volunteer efforts of Jonny from Jonny's Towing who is helping plan the event, setting up the display, and transporting pumpkins. We also want to thank our parent sponsor Anna who has helped oversee all of the planning as well! And a final thank you goes to our PAC parent volunteers for helping set up the pumpkin patch on Thursday.

For Halloween, parents are welcome to come and see our Halloween pumpkin patch in the morning and we do ask for parents to please put a bag in your child's backpack on Halloween that would help your child bring your pumpkin home.

As mentioned in past bulletins, Students are welcome to wear costumes on Halloween and by no means is it an expectation as we know some of our families may not participate in Halloween activities. If your child does want to come to school in a costume, please keep the following in mind:

It's good to keep in mind that the following are NOT Costumes:

RACE (black face/brown face)
CULTURE (Indigenous regalia/dreadlocks)
RELIGIOUS FAITH (religious figures/gods/saints/gurus/hijab)
GENDER (gender switching for humour or to mock)
TRAUMA (hangman's noose/weapons)

City of Richmond Halloween Events and Activities

Over 20 spook-tacular Halloween-inspired events and activities are now on through Tuesday, October 31 with the fangtastic Halloween Fireworks Festival in Minoru Park on Halloween night. All the details about this year's 20+ events can be found at richmond.ca/halloween.

Family Erase Sessions for Safe, Caring and Respectful Digital Communities

Three free virtual *erase* learning sessions for families will be held on November 8, 28, and 30, focusing on establishing safe, caring, and respectful digital communities. These sessions are best suited for families and youth aged 10 and above. Families may register at this link: <u>erase family sessions november 2023.pdf.</u> Please contact <u>erase@gov.bc.ca</u> with any questions or for more information.



Halloween Candy Donations

If you have any Halloween candy after October 31st that you feel may not eaten or maybe you have too much following trick or treating, we will be accepting donations here at the school. The candy will be donated to Covenant House. There will be a donation bin at the front of the school for a week following Halloween. Thank you.

PAC Message and Announcements







HOW WE LEARN AND WORK **TOGETHER**

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.

Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

> The complete code of conduct is available online at:

sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct



Important Dates Coming Up

October 31 – Halloween at Jessie Wowk

November 2 – Fire Drill

November 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly (Families are invited to attend)

November 11 – Remembrance Day

(School Closed)

November 15 – Photo Retakes

November 20 – Professional Development Day

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Dates (November)

1 – Musqueum Day

7 – National Inuit Day

8 – Indigenous Veterans Day

12 – Diwali (Sikhism)

12 – 18 – Multicultural Week

16 – International Day for Tolerance

16 – Metis Day

20 – World Child Day

20 – Transgender Day of Remembrance

24 – Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur (Sikhism)

25 - Holodomor Memorial Day

27 – Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib (Sikhism)

Thank you for taking the time to read this important information for our Jessie Wowk Community. As always, if you have any questions, please contact us here at the school.

Sincerely,

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