

Thursday, November 23rd, 2023

Administrative Report

Chris Daum

1. Halloween – we had a very positive Halloween here at Jessie Wowk. There were lots of fun activities planned throughout the day and we are very proud of our students for the way they followed our school expectations and enjoyed the day safely. We also want to recognize Johnny from Johnny’s towing and Anna for their contributions in making the day possible for our community and to our staff who organized the event – Mr. Ray and Mr. Kirkegaard
2. Volleyball – Our grade 6 and 7 students who have been participating as part of our school volleyball team have shown outstanding progress. They have represented their school well and have enjoyed playing games both here at Wowk and at other schools. We look forward to the Richmond Colts volleyball tournament next week for our grade 7 students and a big thanks goes to Mr. Ray and Mr. Lorenz for coaching and making this experience possible for our students.
3. Remembrance Day Assembly – We thank our families for all of their support in having our students ready for this important assembly. We also appreciate our families for taking the time to attend, though we understand that not all families can make it to some of our daytime assemblies.
4. Winter Holidays and Celebration - a reminder that holiday and religious observances are not universal. As we try to *Lead for Equity*, it is important for all of us to plan activities and events in our schools and district departments with consideration of how we do this with a sense of *‘belonging for all’*
5. Professional Learning / Pro-D Day – this Monday, November 20th our staff participated in professional learning opportunities. For the morning some of our staff attended district intermediate and primary workshops while others attended here at Wowk to design school wide activities for social emotional learning. In the afternoon all Wowk staff attended a session at Cook elementary where we focused on supporting our students in the area of literacy.
6. Tree Planting – recently Ms. Li, along with Ms. Davidson, purchased a variety of trees from the City of Richmond. They have been planted throughout our school yard with the intention of bringing more nature and greenery to our school grounds. We thank our students for showing care for the trees by only looking with their eyes and not touching them.

7. Hot lunches / food days – I understand that some families were looking at having an organized hot lunch delivery through a vendor brought to the school for some of our students. Food delivery services at schools is a complex issue and have the potential to cause disruptions to the school day. Such programs require collaboration between the school, vendor and families. I do ask that you please contact myself at the school office if you have any questions or thoughts about this.

8. Reports / Learning Updates – Just a note to families that learning updates / reports will be available to families through the MyEd Parent Portal on Thursday, December 21st. We encourage all families who are unable to access the Parent Portal to please contact the office.

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...

- 1** Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2** Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3** Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4** Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5** Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- 6** 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.

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