What's On @ Cove Cliff April 15th – 19th



Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Friday
April 15	April 16	April 17	April 18	April 19
School Based Professional Day – School not in session		8:00-8:40 a.m. Beginning band 8:40-9:20 a.m. Continuing Band Gr. 4's to Outdoor School 3:15pm – Running Club Last day to order Plant Fundraiser!	8:15 am Math Club Grade 6: Ms. Robitaille's classroom Gr. 4's at Outdoor School	8:00 am – Running Club 10:40-11:20 a.m. Beginning band 11:20 – 12 noon Continuing Band Hot Lunch Day Hot Dog Day Gr. 4's home from Outdoor School

Always check our online calendar for upcoming events. Upcoming Events Highlights:

Schedule Changes	Events	
April 24 – 2pm dismissal – Staff Collaboration Day	April 22 – Class photo day	
May 3 – Pro D Day	May 1 – Fun TRACK meet at Windsor	
May 20 – Victoria Day – No school	May 2 – Plant fundraiser pick up	
	May 7 – Fun FIELD meet at Sherwood	
	Park (Gr 4/5) & Dorothy Lynas (Gr.	
	6/7)	
	May 17 – Emergency release drill	

Reminders/Information:

• Families who are not Returning (current K-6 students): If you know that your family will not be attending Cove Cliff next year, we would appreciate you letting the office know. At this time of year, we are carefully monitoring our projected numbers for next year so that we can get plans in place. Thank you for your help.

Emergency Release Drill – May 17

On Friday May, 17 we will be practicing our Emergency Release Drill between 1pm and 3pm. Please ensure that you mark your calendar, and make preparations to help support this important practice.

Specific information will be shared closer to that date, and we appreciate that you ensure you understand fully.

These drills are intended to simulate the procedures that we must follow to ensure students are safely with their family or other authorized caregivers. The duty of care in these situations is a top priority. Students will only be released to parents and caregivers that have been identified in the forms that we collect from families at the start of the year. If you know that you will not be able pick up your child yourself during this time, please make arrangements with one of the caregivers that you've indicated.

In some cases, no one is available to pick up students during our release drill, and this is not a problem. Staff will have adequate practice with the system, and any remaining students will be released at the regular dismissal time.



Parent Learning Opportunity

Schools in BC are actively working with the Ministry and with Safer Schools Together and using the *erase* strategy to address bullying and other harmful social situations. Safer Schools Together is offering complementary (fee) sessions for parents and caregivers. These presentations tend to be highly informative and provide the audience with immediately actionable knowledge.

Please use this link to register:

"Establishing Safe, Caring and Respectful Digital Communities" for Families and Youth aged 10 and up. Dates: April 10 and 16 erase Family Sessions (saferschoolstogether.com)

Support Group Event for Parents of Children with Dyslexia - April 17

We have been informed of a monthly support group that is starting this month. The first session will be held on **Wednesday, April 17th from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the Lions Gate Community Recreation Centre** (1733 Lions Gate Lane). The event will be a casual "Meet and Greet" style with introductory information about dyslexia.

If families are unable to attend this session, they are welcome to join future meetings. Meetings will feature various guest speakers on specific topics related to dyslexia in upcoming monthly sessions. These free events are designed to be a supportive space for parents to connect, share experiences, and exchange valuable advice.

Here is the link to the event page for more details: <u>Dyslexia Support Group for Parents</u>

Eid al-Fitr

With the end of the month-long recognition of Ramadan, this week brings Eid al-Fitr. To all who celebrate: Eid Mubarak!



Vaisakhi

Vaisakhi is an important festival celebrated by Sikh people around the world and recognizes the harvest season and the founding of the Khalsa order. Canada has the largest population of Sikhs outside of India with almost one million Canadians identifying as Sikh.

On Saturday April 13th, the annual Vaisakhi celebration and parade will be taking place in South Vancouver (between Main & Fraser, and 49th & Marine Drive). The colourful, food-filled, and exciting festivities are open to everyone. If you have never been, it is highly recommended. Best of all, the food is given away for free – as charity is a key tenet of the Sikh religion. All are welcome!

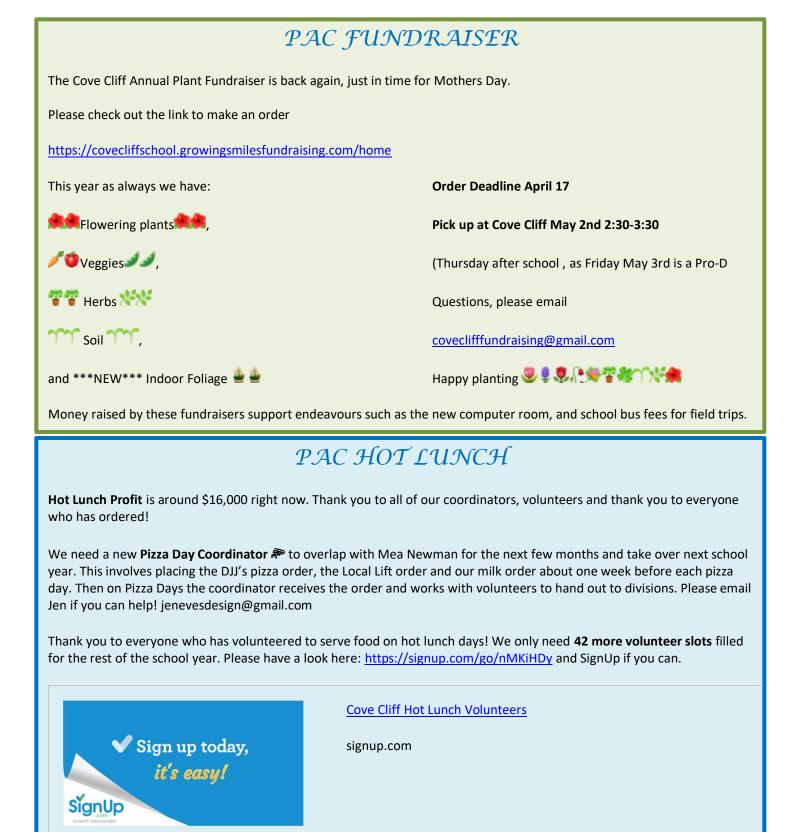
For more information, check out these links: <u>CBC Kids – Let's Celebrate Vaisakhi</u> <u>World Sikh – Vaisakhi in Canada</u>

<u>Wikipedia - Vaisakhi</u>









The PAC needs YOU!

A strong PAC makes a great school. The PAC provides funding for many additional experiences for our students. From Body Science lessons, to buses for fieldtrips, and even funding classroom consumables – we wouldn't have the school that we do without the PAC. The PAC also helps foster positive relationships and dialogue with the school and represent the families.

Our PAC meetings have been quite small this year, and many of our PAC members are "aging out" as their children move on to Seycove. Please consider taking an active role in the Cove Cliff PAC. Thank you to all who have done so this year!