

NOVEMBER 2016

# Blueridge News



Dear Parents,

It takes a village to raise a child. As we proceed throughout the school year we see physical, social-emotional and academic growth in all our children at Blueridge. When we all support the children as a school community, and come together with one common goal, we are amazed at how children flourish in such an environment. Blueridge is an amazing school and family community that is raising wonderful citizens in North Vancouver.

There are so many student leadership opportunities for our Intermediate students such as: lunch monitors, library monitors, peer counsellors, buddies, and equipment sign out. I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize how much they contribute to our school by volunteering their time to provide support to Blueridge students. Our students are always looking for ways to be helpful and to contribute to the well-being of others.

On Thursday, November 10th, 2016, we will be having our Remembrance Day assembly at 10:45 in the gym. On this day, all children will receive a poppy to wear to our assembly. Student volunteers will come by the classrooms to collect any donations that your family would like to offer to the Royal Canadian Legion. Parents are welcome to join us at the assembly.

The mission of the Royal Canadian Legion is to "serve veterans and their dependents, to promote Remembrance and to act in the service of Canada and its communities". The annual Poppy Campaign relies on the generosity of Canadians to ensure that our veterans and their dependents are cared for and treated with the respect they deserve. This November campaign, which sees Poppies distributed to Canadians of all ages, serves to perpetuate Remembrance by ensuring that the memory and sacrifices of our war veterans are never forgotten. Poppies and a donation tin, are available at the front counter for the community.

This year we have created a Twitter account: [blueridgeSD44](#). We will be highlighting the learning and leadership of students at Blueridge. Please take look on our school web-site.

Ms. Kee

Ms. Primas



## Little Poppy

Little  
poppy  
Given to me,  
Help me keep Canada  
Safe and free.



I'll wear a little poppy,  
As red as red can be  
To show that I remember  
those who fought for  
me.



NVSD #44  
Blueridge Elementary

## Blueridge School Calendar Updated Monday October 31, 2016.

Please be sure to check our web-site for the most current information.

### NOVEMBER

|                                   |               |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Gr. 6 Immunizations (9-11:00)     | M. Nov. 7     |
| Remembrance Day Assembly          | Th. Nov. 10   |
| Remembrance Day (schools closed)  | F. Nov. 11    |
| Professional Day (no school)      | M. Nov. 14    |
| Saleema Noon Parent night (6:30)  | T. Nov. 15    |
| Saleema Noon in classes           | Th. Nov. 17   |
| Individual Photos Retakes @ 1:00  | F. Nov. 18    |
| Winter concert ticket sales begin | M. Nov. 21    |
| Book Fair                         | Nov 28-Dec. 1 |

### DECEMBER

|                                 |                  |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Band Concert                    | TBA              |
| Winter Concert at Cent. Theatre | T. Dec. 6        |
| Reporting period 1              | F. Dec. 9        |
| Santa Mall                      | W. Dec. 14       |
| Last day before Winter Break    | F. Dec. 16       |
| Winter Break                    | Dec. 19 – Jan. 2 |

### JANUARY

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| School Re-opens               | W. Jan. 3      |
| Young Actors Project          | Jan. 16-Feb. 3 |
| Curriuc. Imp. Day (no school) | F. Jan. 20     |
| Sign up for Interviews begins | M. Jan. 30     |

### FEBRUARY

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| Interviews, Early Dismissal 2:00 | T. Feb. 7  |
| Interviews, Early Dismissal 2:00 | Th. Feb. 9 |
| BC Family Day (schools closed)   | M. Feb. 13 |
| Pink Shirt Day                   | W. Feb. 22 |
| Professional Day (no school)     | F. Feb. 24 |
| Intermediate Music Festival      | T. Feb. 28 |

### MARCH

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|-------------------------------|------------|
| Intermediate Music Festival   | W. Mar. 1  |
| Bighouse – Grade 4's (Div. 6) | Mar. 1 – 2 |
| Bighouse – Grade 4's (Div. 5) | Mar. 2 – 3 |

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|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Reporting period 2            | Th. Mar. 9   |
| Team Finn – PJs for a Purpose | Fr. Mar. 10  |
| Last day before Spring Break  | F. Mar. 10   |
| Spring Break                  | Mar. 13 – 24 |
| School Opens                  | M. Mar. 27   |

### APRIL

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| Blueridge Pro-Day (no school)    | Th. Apr. 13    |
| Good Friday (no school)          | F. Apr. 14     |
| Easter Monday (schools closed)   | M. Apr. 17     |
| Intermediate Dance Festival      | Th. Apr. 20    |
| Class & School Panorama Photo    | F. Apr. 21     |
| BC Children's Hospital Jeans Day | Th. Apr. 27    |
| Band and Strings Festival        | Th. Apr. 27-28 |

### MAY

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Kilometre Club Begins           | M. May 1-June 2 |
| Professional Day (no school)    | M. May 8        |
| Gr. 6 Immunizations (9-11:00)   | F. May 12       |
| Book Fair                       | May 15 - 18     |
| Victoria Day (schools closed)   | M. May 22       |
| Handsworth Track elimin. (8-12) | T. May 23       |

### JUNE

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| Band Concert                           | TBA         |
| Family App. Ice Cream Social (6:00 PM) | Th. Jun 1   |
| Swanguard                              | T. Jun 6    |
| Fun Day                                | W. June 21  |
| Grade 7 Farewell (1:00-2:00)           | T. June 27  |
| Reporting Period 3                     | Th. June 29 |
| Last Day for Students                  | Th. June 29 |
| Administration Day (no school)         | F. June 30  |

Christmas Concert Information and Ticketing Information will be coming home via Synervoice in the near future. The Christmas Concert is Tuesday, December 6th, 2016 @ 7:00 PM

**[Be sure to check out the Blueridge PAC web-site:](http://www.blueridgepac.net/index.html)**

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Reminders: All Cross Country jerseys are due into the office ASAP. Grade 7 students in Basketball will need to return their clean jersey after games are finished (Girls by Nov. 22nd, Boys by Dec. 2nd).

WINDSOR FAMILY OF SCHOOLS  
presents



**BAND** **CHOIR**  
**Night** **Workshop**

WED. NOVEMBER 16

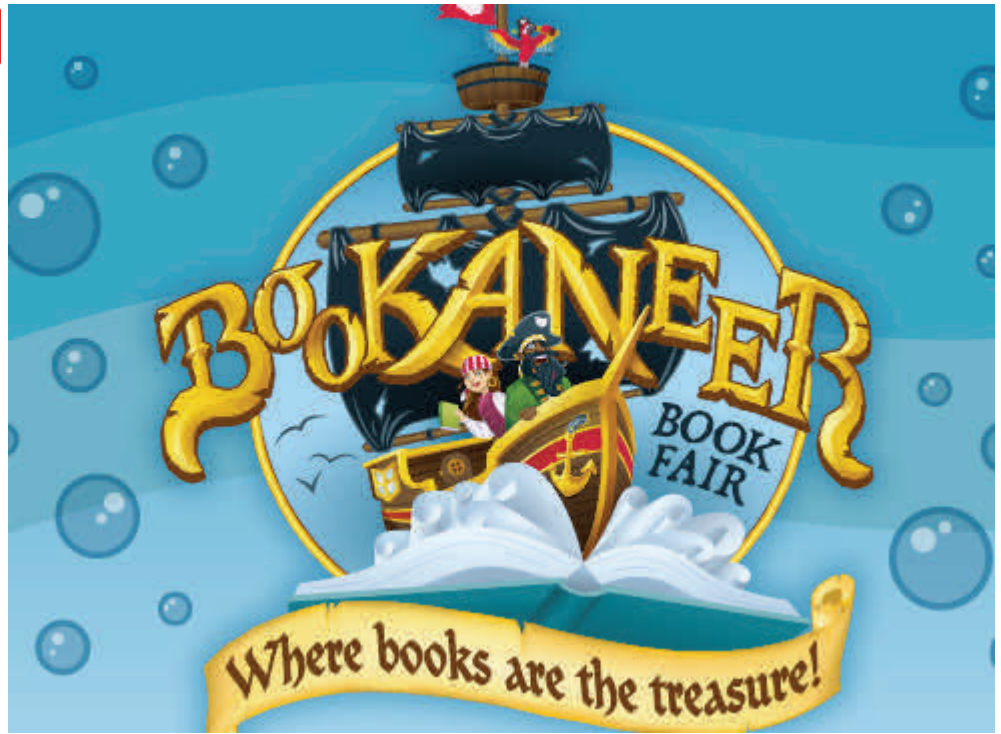
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| <p>GRADE 6 and 7 BAND</p> <p>Free to attend with RSVP<br/>Band student tour<br/>5:30 pm</p> <p>Performance at 6pm<br/>Open to everyone<br/>Bake Sale</p> <p>info:<br/>mheaven@sd44.ca</p> |  <p>WINDSOR MUSIC</p> | <p>GRADE 6 and 7 CHOIR</p> <p>Free to attend with RSVP<br/>Workshop 4:30 - 5:30pm<br/>Dinner break</p> <p>Performance at 6pm<br/>Open to everyone<br/>Bake Sale</p> <p>info:<br/>akozak@sd44.ca</p> |
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RSVP online at [windsormusic.weebly.com](http://windsormusic.weebly.com)



**Blueridge Scholastic Book Fair is Coming Soon!**

**MONDAY, NOV. 28th – THURSDAY, DEC. 1st**



**Calling All Volunteers...**

We need volunteers to make this a success! While it takes many people to run the book fair, it only requires an hour of your time. Volunteering is a great opportunity to see your children and their peers enjoying the wonders that books bring.

We are fortunate to have several experienced volunteers who will hopefully lend a hand again this year, but it would be great to get some new people on board.

Book fair hours are below. Please let me know if you can help out with any of these time slots.

**BOOK FAIR HOURS**

| <b>MONDAY, NOV 28</b> | <b>TUESDAY, NOV 29</b> | <b>WEDNESDAY, NOV 30</b>  | <b>THURSDAY, DEC 1</b> |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 8-8:40am              | 8-8:40am               | 8-8:40am                  | 8-8:40am               |
| 12-12:30pm            | 12-12:30pm             | <b>CLOSED AT LUNCH</b>    | 12-12:30pm             |
| 3-3:30pm              | 3-3:30pm               | 2-2:40pm                  | 3-3:30pm               |
|                       |                        | <b>FAMILY NIGHT 7-8pm</b> |                        |

All proceeds from this important fundraiser go toward purchasing new books and otherwise supporting our library resources, so let's make this event a huge success!!!

If you are able to help with this fun fundraiser, please contact Francine Rattray at [fran.rattray@gmail.com](mailto:fran.rattray@gmail.com).

# When to keep a sick child at home:

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Please keep your sick child at home when he/she has any of the following symptoms:

- \* Fever
- \* Cough, sore throat
- \* Vomiting or diarrhea
- \* A suspected or known communicable disease
- \* Chills and Fatigue
- \* Body aches/ Headaches
- \* Constant runny nose

Consider the following:

- \* The illness can spread to other children their families and school staff
- \* Recovery can be delayed without adequate rest
- \* The schools inability to care for a child when he/she is sick.



For more information call:

Public Health at 604-983-6700, your family doctor, or Health Link BC 24 hours a day at 811

Resource: <http://www.vch.ca/media/VCH-sneezes-diseases-Aug-2014.pdf>

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## Code of Conduct

Be Safe,  
Be Respectful,  
Be Responsible  
Be Kind  
Be Positive

*Do a little more each day than you  
think you possibly can.”  
- Lowell Thomas*

## Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found regularly for missing items. The clothes are currently on display in the main hallway and outside the gym. They will be donated at the end of each month.

## No Dogs

Just a reminder that the North Vancouver District policy prohibits dogs from being on School Grounds for health and safety reasons. Not all people are comfortable with dogs, so we respectfully request that dogs and other pets are kept off the property.



## WET WEATHER



As the temperature drops parents are reminded to ensure that their children are suitably dressed for the weather. All recesses and most lunch hours are outside and the children require a warm water-resistant coat and appropriate footwear to stay dry. A change of clothes in the back pack is also a good idea.