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Boundary e-News

November 27, 2022

Important Dates & Reminders for the Week of: November 28 to December 2, 2022

Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30	Thursday 1	Friday 2
	Hot Lunch Mobile Feast Day			

Dear Boundary Families,

We wanted to begin by thanking all of you for your patience, flexibility, and understanding this past Friday morning, when many of you, including the Boundary School Site, experienced a full electric blackout. The timing was perhaps one of the most difficult situations for a school of 400 students and staff to navigate because it was so close to the first entrance bell. This left us with mere minutes to consult with District personnel, assemble staff, follow safety plans, and then to communicate a plan to families while many of you were already on your way to school! A handful of students joined us in the building, supervised in a central location, while the rest of the staff readied their classrooms by moving furniture to create more space near windows and natural light and significantly changing plans for the day. Given the proximity of the downed power lines and the continuing high winds, we were preparing for a long, dark day. Fortunately, the power came back on for us and we wanted to thank you all again for your understanding and flexibility at that time. The Boundary Staff did an excellent job of moving forward with safety plans, supporting students, and shifting practice at a moment's notice.

It's been a busy, fun weekend! We also wanted to thank our Boundary PAC for setting up the most incredible community sporting event to help fundraise for Boundary! We saw many families at the North Van. Wolf Pack Hockey game this afternoon as they beat the White Rock Whalers 7-2! The students in the crowd were cheering on their favourite players, remembering many of them from our last Monday's school visit. Boundary's National Anthem singers, led by Mrs. Nancy Dale, were absolutely amazing!! It was great to see so many families out supporting our local athletes, student performers, and fundraising for Boundary!

Snow! Snow! Snow!... is on the way. Please be prepared for this exciting and sometimes treacherous West Coast event over the next couple of days. Students will be outside playing and will be much more comfortable with a warm jacket, toque, mitts, boots, and pants if possible.

Calendar

Sunday November 27 – Teacher / Parent Conference Registration Opens; 7:30pm

Sunday December 4 – Teacher / Parent Conference Registration Closes; 8pm

Monday December 5 – Boundary Builds – Bring Your Lego Structure

Tuesday December 6 – Teacher Parent Conferences – Early Dismissal at 2pm

Wednesday December 7 – Teacher Parent Conferences – Early Dismissal at 2pm

Thursday December 8 – Band Concert at Queen Mary Elementary; 7pm

Friday December 9 – First Term Reports Home

Tuesday December 13 – Young Entrepreneur Evening (**Updated date**)

Thursday December 15 – Primary Winter Concert; 6:00 to 7:00pm

Friday December 16 – Last Day of School Before Winter Vacation

Monday January 2 – Students Not in Session

Tuesday January 3 – School Reopens

Wednesday January 11-Friday 13 – Grade 6 ODS

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Teacher / Parent Conferences

This year we will continue to use MS Teams booking Teacher / Parent conferences. Conferences begin the week of December 5th with early dismissal on December 6th and December 7th at 2:00pm. The conference sign-up will begin on November 27th at 7:30pm and will end on December 4th at 8pm. Sign-up will not be available outside of these time slots. Term one reports are uploaded on December 9.

Please email your child's teacher directly for changes that need to be made after Sunday December 5th at 8:00.

Please click on the link to access your child's class through MS Bookings: <https://bit.ly/2XnisKz>

Please see the chart below for your child's teacher's conference format.

When signing up for a conference time, please click the "!" beside the teacher's name to find additional information regarding the conference options. Please complete all the sections required. If you have any questions, please reach out to the teacher.

If you are meeting online, please log in using the invite sent to the email address indicated. Please join the meeting at least 5 minutes before the indicated time to correct any technology challenges. It is recommended that you download the MS Teams App before the conference. The teacher will join the meeting at the indicated time. As meetings are back-to-back, time is tight so please be on time and prepared. If you have any technical questions, please contact Mr. MacLeod at tmacleod@sd44.ca.

Teacher(s)	Online	In-Person
Dale	Yes	Yes
Fletcher	Yes	Yes
Halliday	Yes	Yes
Meyer	No	Yes
Streat	No	Yes
Chorney-Wilson	No	Yes
Chow	Yes	Yes
Falconer	Yes	No
Siddal/Lee	Yes	Yes
Johnson/Cockburn	No	Yes
Rispin	No	Yes
Weber	No	Yes
Oucharek	No	Yes
Koenigsfest	Yes	Yes
Hall	Yes	Yes
Mavor	Yes	Yes

Boundary Builds for The Shore

On Monday, December 5th, we are inviting students of Boundary to bring their best Lego build to display for charity. We will set up the Lego in the Multipurpose Room for display for classes and families (during teacher parent conferences) on Tuesday and Wednesday. This year we will be supporting the Elizabeth Fry Society.

Lego Build Details:

1. All Lego must fit into a box that the child can carry themselves.
2. All boxes and Lego must have a First and Last Name as well as their Division.
3. All Lego can come to school on Monday December 5th. Lego will go home on Thursday December 8th.

Please see our school's webpage for more details. <http://bit.ly/3Vwe6Jz>

Snow Patrol

With expected colder weather and the chance of snow, we are eager to have a few more members from the community join our snow team. Please email Mr. MacLeod if you can help out.

Save The Date

Mark your calendars for Thursday December 15 from 6:00 to 7:00pm. The Primary Winter Concert is on! We are asking families to limit attendance to two members per family. More details to come.

Puzzle of the Week

This week's puzzle is now posted.

Please see the end of the newsletter or click on this link; <https://bit.ly/334qWWz> for the latest question.

BPAC News

Babysitting Course and Stay Safe; Home Alone

We will be offering both the Babysitting Course (ages 11-15) and the Stay Safe; Home Alone (ages 9-13) on Friday, February, 17th through First Aid Hero.

Cost will be \$60 and space will be limited (30 spots per course).

Registration is available on boundary.hotlunches.net

Babysitting Course – 8:30 - 3:30

Stay Safe! Home Alone – 9:00 – 3:00

Each student will receive a manual for their respective courses as well as a certificate.

Lynn Valley Christmas Parade of Trees

Thank you Bailey Environmental for sponsoring a tree on behalf of Boundary at the Lynn Valley Christmas Parade of Trees!

We have 4 classes busy making ornaments for our tree and we will add ornaments of years past.

The grand lighting ceremony is Sunday, December 4th from 4 – 5pm. Everyone votes on their favourite tree!

Parent Social

Mark your calendars for Friday, March 31st at Seymour's Pub! We will also be hosting a silent and live auction as part of this event. The last Parent Social we hosted was February 2019, so we will look very forward to connecting with many of you in person again.

If you have something you would like to donate to the auction, please contact chair@boundarypac.ca

Social Media

Instagram: [@BoundaryPAC](https://www.instagram.com/BoundaryPAC)

Facebook: [Boundary Pac](https://www.facebook.com/BoundaryPac)

Twitter: [@BoundaryPAC](https://twitter.com/BoundaryPAC)

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Reminders

Recycling Drive for the Boundary Grade 7 Class of 2023

The 2023 Boundary Grade 7s are collecting cans, bottles, and other returnable to kick off their fundraising for end of year farewell celebrations.

There will be a bottle drive just after the Holidays on January 7/8th weekend, so save up those empties and look for more details to come in December.

In the meantime, you are able to return empties using the Return It Express system at any time. At the Express kiosk, enter the code 604 903 3260 (easy to remember, it is the school phone number), print off a label, stick onto your (clear) bag of returnables, scan the barcode, and deposit the bag. All money collected will go directly towards the grad fund. This will be ongoing for the rest of the school year - until the end of May.

The Grade 7s thank you for your contributions! If you have any questions or would like some pre-printed labels, please contact Claire (claireferrier@gmail.com).

Student and Family Affordability Fund

Through the Student and Family Affordability Fund (SFAF), the school district is supporting students and their families who are feeling financially challenged due to the rising costs of living.

To request financial support at any time throughout the 2022-2023 school year for expenses such as:

- School fees
- School/course supplies
- Clothing/footwear
- Basic Necessities
- Athletic wear (for school athletics)
- Family food security (groceries)
- PAC hot lunch
- One-day field trips

Please complete the form(s) available on the [Student and Family Affordability Fund](https://bit.ly/3TAg8re) (<https://bit.ly/3TAg8re>) web page and submit the form(s) in confidence to Mr. MacLeod.

Should you have any questions or need support completing the form(s), please reach out to Mr. MacLeod. A Frequently Asked Questions web page (<https://bit.ly/3yXswcQ>) is also available.

Have a great week!

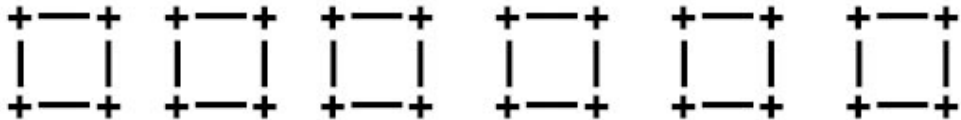
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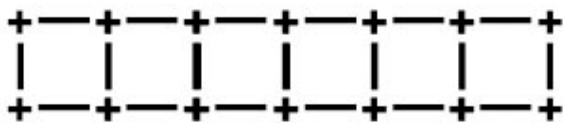
★ PUZZLE OF THE WEEK ★

Sheeps in a Pen

Farmer Black raises sheep and was raising them in modular pens, He currently has 6 sheep in the following arrangement:



He needed some walls for another project so he rearranged the pins like this:



He then found out he needs 7 more wall pieces to finish his project. How did he rearrange the pens so that there was only 1 sheep per pen?

Be sure to check the next newsletter to see the solution! If you have questions about or suggestions for the puzzle of the week, let Ms. Rush know!

Special thanks to mentalup.co for the puzzle