



Capilano Newsletter



Message to Capilano Families

November 5, 2023

We have had a wonderful start to the school year which has included many community building events and fabulous learning opportunities. We were able to have our first Community Lunch within Multi-Age groups to provide connection and share stories of gratitude while eating lunch. Students have been in activities related to literacy, numeracy, and their Unit of Inquiry. We have also had the PAC's afterschool programs, school clubs during the day, and school athletics up and running. It was wonderful to watch the learners engage in the Halloween parade again! We hope you were able to connect with your child's teacher during the Student-Family-Teacher Goal Setting Conferences later this month. Please see some learning captured below!

We will continue to share updates in our monthly newsletter are important dates, news, updates, and a celebration of learning happening at our school. Also, please remember to continue to check our website for up-to-date information: [Capilano Elementary](#)

Thank you to the Capilano learning community for your collaborative partnership!

Jeeniece Chand
Principal

Alaina Denny
Vice Principal

Important Dates

- **November 8:** Indigenous Veterans' Day
- **Friday, November 10:** Remembrance Day Assembly (Poppy Fund Donations being collected)
- **Monday, November 13:** Remembrance Day (Stat - No School)
- **November 20 to November 24:** Scholastic Book Fair at Capilano (See below for more info!)

Time Change

A reminder that Daylight Savings Time ended on Sunday, November 5th at 2:00am. Accordingly, clocks were turned backward 1 hour.



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Capilano News & Updates

PAC Fundraise - Card Project

The children made amazing art for this exciting fundraiser. **Priority orders** are due this **Sunday, November 5** for delivery November 20-24. You can order cards, notebooks, mugs, tea towels, canvas tote bags, mouse pads, art prints or canvasses made with your child's art. These beautiful products make very special gifts. **Final order deadline** is **November 19** for delivery December 4-8.

Go to <https://www.thecardproject.ca/> Our school Access Code is **CP85**

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Marcelle at 604-924-2660 or at Marcelle@TheCardProject.ca

Mountain West Photo Re-takes

Your online gallery from your school photo retake session is now live!

- Please visit this link to access the gallery: <https://weborders.mountainwest.ca>
- Your webcode to access your images was provided on photo day.
- Any active email address can be used to login.
- Your order deadline is: **TUESDAY NOVEMBER 14TH 2023** (after the date a late fee is applicable)

Missing your login code? No problem! 1. Visit <https://weborders.mountainwest.ca> 2. Click on "No code? Click here"

3. Enter your student's last name, grade and student number. 4. Order your photos!

To find out more about ordering: Phone: 1.888.644.4494 Email: help@mountainwest.ca

Colour Guard for Remembrance Day Assembly

We will be holding our Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday, November 10th in the morning. We invite all students who participate in service organizations such as Sparks, Brownies, Cubs, Scouts, Cadets and Guides, to help mark the occasion by wearing their full uniforms to the assembly on this day. We ask that the students wear their full uniforms to school and bring a change of clothes to change into before they go outside to play.

Winter Weather and Capilano Snow Volunteers

As we head into the cold and winter months, we highly recommend that learners dress for the weather and keep an extra set of clothes at the school. Since we learn in North Vancouver, we go out on most days, so it is important to ensure we are ready for rain and/or snow.

With snow in the forecast, please take a few moments to read our [winter weather procedures](#). Weather-related updates will be posted to the school district website. Families: [sign up to receive text message alerts](#) regarding severe weather, power outages and other emergencies.

Please email jchand@sd44.ca if you might be available and willing to help us shovel around the school in the morning on days it has snowed, it would be incredibly appreciated. We will send a quick email to provide a heads-up if there is snow in the forecast. As many hands make light work, the admin team would be so grateful for the help! Thank you! 😊

Halloween Clean-Up

We would like to extend a sincere and heartfelt message of gratitude to Jason Assam for helping us clean-up the day after Halloween. Together we collected quite a few bags full of fireworks and other items that were left on our school grounds. We appreciate those community members and school district staff who helped support us in keeping the school safe on Halloween evening. Thank you so much for your time and help!



Scholastic Book Fair – Save the Dates!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming back to Capilano from Monday, November 20th to Friday, November 24th!

More information about the fair will be coming next week but here is a date's sneak peek:

- Regular book fair open times Monday, November 20 to Friday, November 24 are:
 - before school (except Monday) from 8:00-8:45am
 - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday after school 3:00-5:00pm
 - Wednesday after school 2:25-4:00pm
 - Friday after school 3:00-4:30pm
- Here are some extra important dates and times to mark on your calendar:
 - **Family Event - Cozy Up and Read:** Wednesday, Nov. 22 from 7:45-8:45am
 - **Parent Only Night:** Wednesday, Nov. 22 from 6:00-8:00pm



Volunteers Needed – Love books and want to help support the fair? Mrs. Farrell is in need of parent volunteers to help! Volunteer once or for multiple times – your time is so appreciated! Times volunteers are needed:

- Friday, Nov. 17th after school for set up
- Tuesday-Friday before school (7:55-8:55am)
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday after school (2:50-4:15pm)
- Wednesday, Nov. 22 after school (2:15-3:30pm)
- Wednesday, Nov. 22 parent night (6-8pm)

If you are able to volunteer, please email sfarrell@sd44.ca by **Friday, Nov. 10 at 9am**.

Have any questions? Please feel free to contact Mrs. Farrell (sfarrell@sd44.ca) in the library.

Band Concert

The Band Concert for the fall/winter season will be on Thursday, December 7th, 2023 at 7:00pm in the gym at Eastview Elementary. More information will be shared by Mr. Solomakha with band students and their families. If you have any additional questions, please email Mr. Solomakha at asolomakha@sd44.ca.

Intermediate Winter Concert

Save the date! The Intermediate Winter Concert will be on **Wednesday, December 13th, 2023**. Intermediate students and their families (maximum 2 per family due to gym capacity limits) will arrive at around 6:00pm. The performance will start at 6:15pm in the gym at Capilano Elementary. More details will be shared in the near future by Mr. Kostamo.

Capilano School Plan

As part of our School Plan, we continue to work on our school goal which is alignment with our [NVSD Strategic Plan](#).

Goal: Enhancing our Sense of Community through Compassionate Integrity – By supporting our community's social and emotional well-being and our sense of belonging at Capilano, through mindfulness of:

- Approaches to Teaching and Learning
- Diversity of Students, Families, and Staff
- Community Connections

We are grateful to the students, parents, educational assistants, and teachers who attended our school planning meeting. We had wonderful conversations that aligned with our goal and were excited to have student and parent voices at the table. Thank you to all those who joined our School Planning Meeting!

IB Learner Profile – November's Focus: Knowledgeable

As part of Capilano's School Plan, we are focusing on enhancing our sense of community through compassionate integrity by supporting our community's social and emotional well-being and our sense of belonging at Capilano. To support this goal, we are hoping to collaborate using our home-school partnership to discuss different important topics in a mindful manner. Over the year, we will focus on one aspect of the IB Learner Profile monthly; the month's focus will



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be launched by Mr. Kaboli (our IB Coordinator) and Mrs. Farrell (our Teacher-Librarian) during LIVE with Mrs. Farrell. We are hoping that the completion of the Capilano Learner Profile Reflection will encourage these important conversations at home, thereby reinforcing the learning taking place at school. A few selected sheets returned will be posted on our school IB Learner Profile Feature Board outside the library and a few excerpts will be read on the school announcements and included in the monthly Capilano Newsletter. The completed reflection is due to the Principal's Drop Box outside the library by the end of the month! Good luck and happy reflecting! Physical copies of sheets should have come home already, and a digital copy is attached at the end of the Newsletter.

Here are a few excerpts from the students from this past month, we focused on: **Open-Minded**

- William in Kindergarten: I am open-minded at home when I try new foods.
- Otis in Kindergarten: I am open-minded in the community when I appreciate my neighbours and I understand that they may have different cultures to me.
- Levi in Grade 3: I am open-minded at school when I learn new words.
- Axel in Grade 3: I am open-minded at school when I check out books on a new topic.
- Issac in Grade 5: I am open-minded at school when I am ready to learn something new even though I have work to do.

Celebrating Capilano

In every month's newsletter, we hope to celebrate the learning happening at Capilano by featuring a grade group. This month, we would like to feature grade 01 and grade 02. We see some snapshots into the grade 1 classes learning from parents about their careers as part of the How We Organize Ourselves Unit of Inquiry. We also see grade 1s carving pumpkins with older buddies and participating in reading on Drop Everything and Read Day. In Grade 2 students have been identifying their zones of regulation and participating in fun activities, including doing math with manipulatives.





PARENT NIGHT

**Need to do
some book
shopping
without the
kids?**

**Wednesday, Nov.22
6:00 - 8:00pm**

This is a parents only evening,
please join us if you can!



FAMILY EVENT

**Cozy Up
and Read**

**Wednesday,
Nov.22
7:45 - 8:45am**

Wear your PJs! Come and enter a draw for \$25 to spend as a family at the book fair. Winning student also wins \$25 for his/her teacher!

CPAC will be at the school to support this event!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Capilano November 20-24!

**A portion of all sales goes towards
bringing new books and resources to
our classrooms and the library!**

**Mrs. Farrell's Goal:
FOR THE LOVE OF READING!
To share the love of reading with our
school community!**

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| Where: Gym (Use outside doors) | Where: School Library (Use atrium door) |
| When: November 20-21 | When: November 22-24 |
| Monday, Nov.21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sneak Peek for students during the day (browsing only, no purchases) 3:00-5:00pm | Wednesday, Nov.23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:45 to 8:45am (Family Event – Cozy Up & Read) 12:10 to 12:35pm (for gr.4/5s) 2:25-4:00pm 6:00 to 8:00pm (Parents only) |
| Tuesday, Nov.22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 to 8:45am 12:10 to 12:35pm (for gr.6/7s) 3:00-5:00pm | Thursday, Nov.24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 to 8:45am 12:10 to 12:35pm (for gr.6/7s) 3:00 to 5:00pm |
| | Friday, Nov.25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 to 8:45am 12:10 to 12:35pm (for gr.4/5s) 3:00 to 4:30pm |

* All students will get a chance to see what is in the Book Fair on Monday, November 21st and will be able to bring home a Wishlist to share with family. There are a number of contests that students can enter as well to win Book Fair prizes.

Capilano IB Learner Profile Reflection

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Teacher: _____ Date: _____

IB Learner Profile Attributes: Inquirer, **Knowledgeable**, Thinker, Communicator, Principled, Open-Minded, Caring, Risk-Taker, Balanced, Reflective

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November’s Focus: Knowledgeable

I know and learn information that is meaningful to me and the world.

We explore concepts to gain and share knowledge.

1. How are you KNOWLEDGEABLE at home? What does this look like, feel like, and sound like?

 Draw

2. How are you KNOWLEDGEABLE at school? What does this look like, feel like, & sound like?

 Draw

3. How are you KNOWLEDGEABLE in the community? (This includes the virtual community)

 Draw

I give permission for excerpts of my child’s responses to be included in the Monthly Newsletter with their first name.

Parent Signature: _____