



# Lynnmour/Xá7elcha

October 20th, 2022

*We would like to acknowledge and thank the original stewards of this land, the Coast Salish people whose traditional territory North Vancouver School District resides on. At Lynnmour/Xá7elcha we are grateful to the Skwxwú7mesh and səlilwətaʔ with whom we share this beautiful land we live, learn and grow on together.*

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## Student and Family Affordability Fund

The Ministry of Education has allocated school districts a one time fund to support families and students during this challenging time. The North Vancouver School District has developed a process for families who need to, to access this support in a confidential manner through a school's principal.

Funds can be accessed to help in various areas of need such as:

- School supplies
- Clothing needs
- Basic necessities including food
- Hot lunch programs
- School programs (Cheakamus, Longhouse, etc)

Please check out the [NVSD Website page for more information](#). We are currently accepting requests for the support in order to help families

Click the following link for answers to [Frequently Asked Questions regarding the fund](#).

PLEASE NOTE that we are unable to provide cash or cheques for reimbursements of items already purchased. There is no need to submit receipts. Funds will be provided in the way of gift cards for family supports.

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## Parent/Teacher CONFERENCES

While we are encouraging and welcoming families to join us back at the school this year, over the past few years, teachers have found that many families find the virtual TEAMS conferences an easier way to connect with the school in support of their children.

Because of this, Lynnmour/Xá7elcha staff are offering an option to families for connection this term.

- **VIRTUAL MEETING:** If you would like to **sign up for a VIRTUAL (TEAMS) meeting** -please select a time on **Tuesday November 1st**
- **IN PERSON MEETING:** If you would like to sign up for an **IN PERSON meeting with the class teacher AT LYNNMOUR/ XA7ELCHA**, please select a time on **Wednesday November 2nd**.

As we only have one sign up platform, all bookings will be made via the link below. Again, if you would prefer an ONLINE meeting please select a time on TUESDAY, and if you'd prefer IN PERSON select a time on WEDNESDAY.

TEAMS meetings links will be sent out directly by class teachers in the days before your scheduled meeting.

If you are joining us in person, please be respectful of the time frame and wait quietly in the hallways of the school before your meeting begins so as not to disrupt the meeting ahead of you.

Please use the link here to book your parent conference time with your child's teacher.

1) Select the date

- November 1 VIRTUAL
- November 2 IN PERSON

2) From the drop down bar **select the teacher** you would like to meet with

3) Select a time that works

4) Enter your name along with your child's name so that teachers will know who you are connected to in their classroom

5) Confirm (an email confirmation will be sent to you with the time you have selected)

[BOOK YOUR MEETING TIME](#)

If you are unable to make either of these two meeting options, please contact your child's teacher directly to set up another time.

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## **SPORTS CLUB - update**

We'd like to extend a big thank you to one of our most active parent supporters for restarting our morning Sports Club opportunity on Tuesdays for students. Getting up and getting active is an important part of living a healthy lifestyle!

Unfortunately, due to some needed renovation at the school, we are unable to host Sports Club for the next two weeks. **(Sports Club will be cancelled as a result on OCT 25 and Nov 1). We aim to resume Sports Club on Tuesday Nov 8 and we will update families accordingly.**

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## Pumpkin Patch - MONDAY - Don't forget!!

A VERY BIG THANK YOU goes out to our PAC volunteers who have again, gone above and beyond to host a PUMPKIN PATCH for ALL LYNNMOUR/XA7ELCHA students on MONDAY

Please note the reminders that they have provided for us.

1. For the Pumpkin Patch on Monday October 24th, please send your children in appropriate clothing. They will be walking to and from digger park, the weather forecast is currently calling for rain.
2. Please send a sturdy reusable bag with your child on Monday the 24th to carry their pumpkin back from the patch

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## IMPORTANT Dates to note: reminder, tomorrow is a Provincial Pro Day

**Friday October 21- Provincial Professional Development Day (students not in session)**

**Monday October 24** - Lynnmour Pumpkin Patch

**Tuesday October 25** - SPORTS CLUB CANCELLED

**Wednesday Oct 26th** - Collaboration Time (students dismissed at 1:40)

**Monday October 31** - Halloween Parade (please see below)

**Tues- Friday (Nov 1st-4th) SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR in the library - more details to come**

**Tuesday November 1st** - SPORTS CLUB CANCELLED

**Tuesday November 1st** - Parent Teacher Conferences (students dismissed at 1:40) VIRTUAL meetings

**Wednesday November 2nd** - Parent Teacher Conferences (students dismissed at 1:40) IN PERSON meetings

**Thursday November 3rd** - Photo Retakes

**Tuesday November 8th** - Indigenous Veterans Day

**Thursday November 10th** - Remembrance Day Ceremony

**Friday November 11th** - Remembrance Day (schools closed)

**Monday November 14th** - School Based Pro Day (students not in session)

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## HALLOWEEN Parade

On Monday October 31th, for those who are interested, we will be celebrating Halloween in the afternoon at school. Students are welcome to wear costumes **during the afternoon on this date**. Please note that there are some limitations and awareness for all that are important:

- Students must be able to change independently into their costumes in the classroom (pull it over their clothes AFTER lunch) as we do not have enough private spaces for students to change in.
- No masks that cover their full face
- Costumes must be respectful of cultures and cultural dress - a person's regalia or traditional clothing is not a costume
- No weapons (including decorative weapons) or masks that bleed or will frighten other children
- No costumes that depict blood and gore

Please do not send your child to school in their costume for the entire day. Costumes tend to get damaged or ruined throughout the day during recess and lunch times. Students who choose, will be invited to change into their costume at 1pm.

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