



## École Ross Road School

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*The School Community of Ross Road strives to support potential for all that values diversity and is built in a safe and caring environment. Ross Road is welcoming, caring and inclusive. We foster a culture of engaged learners and critical thinkers who are responsible and respectful. As a school community we promote a sense of belonging for all.*

### Monday Message

Dear Ross Road Families,

We hope Ross Road community members enjoyed themselves on this past sunny weekend.

With Halloween on Tuesday, we are hopeful those in our school community that celebrate with firecrackers and fireworks will not use them on the school property. Here is a [link](#) to the District of North Vancouver for regulation information. Adults are welcome and encouraged to come early on Wednesday morning to remove all the fireworks/firecracker debris and other garbage left on school property before the start of the school day.

### **Final Important Reminder: Halloween Safety at Ross Road**

Thank you for being thoughtful when planning for Halloween. We are seeking to partner with you to ensure this holiday is safe and fun for everyone. As we honour diversity, we want our learning environments to be places where everyone feels safe, included, respected, and valued. Please read the [letter](#) sent from the Superintendent on Oct 19, 2023.

- Costumes will be permitted at school on Tuesday Oct 3st. Students may come dressed in costume as there will be no opportunity to change during the school day.
- Please DO NOT send items that could be damaged during the day.
- As we are an Elementary school, please be mindful NOT to wear costumes that are overly scary or gory. **No masks are permitted to be worn at any time.**

- Replica weapons of any kind (e.g., guns, knives, handcuffs, chains etc.) are not allowed.
- Students should be easily recognizable and/or able to identify themselves to any staff member when asked. Therefore, students' faces must be visible at all times.
- Costumes that are offensive in any way will not be allowed. Please consider the rights maintained in the Canadian Human Rights Act when selecting costumes.
- The Ross Road code of conduct must always be followed, even when in costume. This includes maintaining respectful and appropriate behaviour with others and with school property.

### **Final Reminder: Ross Road Scares Hunger**

Thank you for sending non-perishable food items, grocery gift cards, and new-in-box toiletries to support Sage House and Thrive Family Centres. Please carefully check the expiry date of any items you might be donating.

If you are a family that requires support you may find helpful information about resources here [Food Access - North Vancouver School District \(sd44.ca\)](http://sd44.ca). You can also email [rossroad@sd44.ca](mailto:rossroad@sd44.ca) or [klechleiter@sd44.ca](mailto:klechleiter@sd44.ca) to discuss support options.

### **Intermediate Choir (Grade 4-7)**

Intermediate choir with Ms. Morgan and Mr. Coward starts Wednesday November 1<sup>st</sup> at lunch. We have a short but exciting season with 8 rehearsals, and then we head out into the community to share our music! We have opportunities to sing at Lynn Valley Centre, Lynn Valley Plaza and Lonsdale Quay on some field trips in December! To join choir simply come to the first rehearsal this Wednesday.

### **PAC INFORMATION**

#### **The Card Project**

Our students have completed their masterpieces for The Card Project! Go online to see your child's art and place an order! If you would like to receive your order by the end of November, please place your order now!

The **Priority order deadline** is this **Sunday, November 5** for delivery in the week of November 20 to 24.

To place your order:

1. Go to [www.TheCardProject.ca](http://www.TheCardProject.ca)
2. Click on "TO ORDER"
3. Click on "USE MY SCHOOL ACCESS CODE" and enter our School Access Code: RR97.

4. Find your child's class (use the dropdown menu to find the division and teacher) and then enter your child's first name.
5. Select which products you would like to order and then customize your products (at no extra cost).

If you have any questions or need assistance with orders, please contact:  
Marcelle at: [Marcelle@TheCardProject.ca](mailto:Marcelle@TheCardProject.ca); or  
Michele, PAC Coordinator for The Card  
Project: [mikeandmichele2009@live.ca](mailto:mikeandmichele2009@live.ca)

*The PAC thanks you for your participation in this great fundraiser!*

### **Winter Craft Fair**

Calling all parents and caregivers!!

We NEED grade 4 and grade 5 parents to help us bring the Winter Craft Fair to life. So far we have only two parents reaching out to help. Help us make this December 14th event a success. Please contact Jessica Bottiglieri at [jessica.bottiglieri@gmail.com](mailto:jessica.bottiglieri@gmail.com).

### **Important Dates:**

October 31 – Halloween

November 6 – Photo Retakes

November 8 – PAC AGM

November 13 – No School, Remembrance Day holiday

November 14 – Immunizations (only for students' whose guardians have signed and returned consent)

Please remember to check the school [website](#) for important dates, a copy of all school newsletters and other important information. You are also encouraged to subscribe to the [school calendar](#).

<https://www.sd44.ca/school/rossroad/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Kind regards,

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*We would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, upon whose unceded traditional territory École Ross Road Elementary and the North Vancouver School District resides. We value the opportunity to learn, share and grow on this traditional territory.*