



Westview Elementary School

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Students have been in school for a month now. We are still sending home paper bulletins because we are having some challenges with our school connects messaging system and not all information has been getting out to families. Today we are sending an e-mail with the following handouts. Please check your e-mail and let us know if you are not receiving them.

1. **Carson Family of Schools Parent Workshops and Information Sessions:** There are 6 workshops and no registration is required. The first one starts on Oct. 7 and the topic is 'Emotional Resiliency: Raising your Child's "R.Q." – Resilience Quotient'. Presenter: Sharon Selby, MA. Registered Clinical Counsellor. Location: Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at Queen Mary Community Elementary.
2. **NSNH Luncheon Invitation** to parents – Luncheon on Oct. 8
3. **Club G Presentation** – Date/Location: October 14, 2015, 7:00 - 8:30 PM at Education Services Centre
4. **FREE – Healthy Lifestyle Program For Families Sessions** starting Oct. 16

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OCTOBER

- October 7 Grade 6 Immunizations
- October 8 The month of October is Fire Prevention and Safety month. The Fire Marshalls come to the elementary schools during October to talk to the students about Fire Safety. This year our grades K to 3 students are having a presentation on **Thursday October 8th** at 1:00 pm
- October 9 Thanksgiving Luncheon Event
Westview Elementary is organizing their third annual school wide Thanksgiving Lunch for **Friday October 9, 2015**. Thanks to the generous donations from our local businesses, CUPE and PAC, CUPE staff will be preparing the meal for all the students in the school. Lunch will be served to all the students in the school and our special guests starting at 11:30 am. We are serving mashed potatoes, corn, turkey, gravy, homemade cranberry sauce, and pumpkin pie with whipping cream. If your child has a special diet, any allergies or if your child won't eat this lunch, please provide them with one.
Litterless Lunch – October 9, 2015: We are asking families to help us eliminate the use of disposable plates and cutlery for our event. Students are asked to bring their own non-breakable dinner sized plate and cutlery to school in a bag.
- October 12 Thanksgiving Day Holiday – no school
- October 15 **Great Shakeout:** Westview staff and students will participate in a school wide earthquake drill practice at 10:00 am. It is important to practice and learn the routines we need to know for an emergency. Please remember that the office will be closed during all emergency drill practices. We do not answer phones or

permit anyone to go in or out of the school at that time. Thanks for understanding.

- October 21 Our WE Club will be attending the WE Day event in Vancouver this year. This is a great opportunity for this group who have been working hard for 3 years to raise awareness and take action on local and global issues. Check out the link for more information.
<http://www.weday.com/what-is-we-day/>
- October 27 **PAC Meeting at 7:00 pm**; Child minding provided
- October 28 **Collaborative Day – students are dismissed at 2:00 pm today**

SAVE THE DATE:

- October 29 **Halloween Howl**
PAC will be organizing the annual **Halloween Howl** Dance this year for Thursday October 29. The fun starts at 6:30 pm. All children must attend with an adult guardian. More information to follow. Hope to see all of you there.
- October 30 **Halloween Primary Parade and School Dance Event** starting at 1:30 pm in the gym for the whole school. Children can wear their costumes starting in the afternoon.

NOVEMBER EVENTS:

- November 2 Kindergarten Tour at 1:30 pm for new students starting school in Sept. 2016
- November 3 Photo retakes – am
- November 10 Remembrance Day assembly at 10:45
- November 11 Remembrance Day - School Closed
- November 17 Early Dismissal at 12:10 pm; Parent / Teacher Interviews
- November 18 Early Dismissal at 2:00 pm; Parent / Teacher Interviews
- November 25 Collaborative Day; **students are dismissed at 2:00 pm**
- November 30 PAC Meeting at 7:00 pm; Child minding provided

DECEMBER EVENTS:

- December 11 Reports go home

SAVE THE DATE:

- December 15 Westview Bandstand Night; Show will start promptly at 7 pm; all students will be performing in this event; more information to follow
- December 18 PJ and Pancake Breakfast

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