



WINCHELSEA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Coats for Kids

Thank you to everyone for their donations. The final day for donations to be dropped off is Monday, Nov 9th.



Choir Information

Our Remembrance Day assembly will be next **Tuesday, November 10th @ 10:00 am**. All Grade 4 & 5 choir students and Rooms 1 & 4 students who will be performing at the Remembrance Day assembly will need to wear black bottoms and a white top. Students will be issued black vests for this assembly. Also we are encouraging any of our students who are in brownies, cubs, cadets etc to come to school in their uniforms next Tuesday.

Christmas choir will begin on Wednesday, Nov 18th @ 8:30 am. This choir is open to all students in Grades 2 to 5.

Lifetouch Photo Retake Day – Thursday, November 12th

For all our students who would like their photos redone, or who were absent or missed getting their envelopes in on picture day, photo retakes will be on next Thursday, Nov 12th @ 10:00 am. Students who are having retakes, must remember to bring in their old package of photos and return them to the photographer. The school office has more picture envelopes if needed for new orders.



Operation Christmas Child - Shoe Box Gifts – See attached sheet

The empty shoe boxes are in! If you are interested in participating in the Operation Christmas Child program and filling a shoe box for a needy child, please stop by the school office and pick up your shoe box. You may also use a reasonable size shoe box from home. The boxes need to be completed by **Friday, Nov 20th**. Attached to this newsletter is a yellow sheet with all the important information needed to participate in this wonderful program. Please pay close attention to the guidelines concerning what items can and cannot be shipped.

Parent / Teacher / Student Conference Day – Friday, Nov 27th



Starting next week on Monday, Nov 9th you may call the school office to arrange a conference time with your child(ren's) teacher. Teachers are required to meet with all parents at this reporting period. Starting Monday, Nov 9th, please call or stop by the office to arrange your appointment time.

Scholastic Book Fair is Coming!

To coincide with our Parent Teacher Conference Day, the Scholastic Book Fair will be held on Thursday, Nov 26th & Friday, Nov 27th. We do need parent volunteers to help with set up on the Wednesday and also volunteers to work various shifts on Thursday afternoon and Friday morning to help run the fair. Please contact Mrs Spencer in the library if you are able to help out. Keep the Scholastic Book Fair in mind for Christmas present ideas!

Lost & Found Items

The lost & found bin is once again overflowing. Clothing items will be put out on display next week. Our office has also collected a few lost items. A **skateboard** and a **cell phone** and also an **Ipod touch** was handed in to the Ballenas Secondary School office.

PAC News

PAC Parking Spot

The November winner of the PAC parking spot is the Torgenson family. Thank you to everyone for their interest and participation.

DFS "Snowball" Fundraiser

Orders will be going home this week. If there are items missing or damaged please return them to the school by Thursday, November 12th.

PAC Meeting

Next PAC meeting is **Tuesday, November 17th at 7pm** in the **WES Library**. We look forward to seeing you there!

MOVIE NIGHT

PAC will be showing "UP!" in the WES Gym on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13th/09**. Please remember no outside food or drinks are allowed. Water, popcorn and licorice will be available for a small fee and entrance to the movie is FREE! All funds raised will go towards educational fieldtrips for the students of WES.

Bring a blanket, favourite teddy, and don't forget Mom, Dad or any other family/friends and come enjoy a fun filled **Family Movie Night!**

Please complete the form at the bottom of this page and return it to the school on Monday so that we can get an idea of the number of people planning to attend and the amount of snacks we need to provide.

Calendar Dates To Remember

Nov 10	Remembrance Day Assembly @ 10 am
Nov 10	Rooms 9 & 12 walk to skating
Nov 11	Remembrance Day – classes not in session
Nov 12	Photo retakes by Lifetouch
Nov 13	Rooms 5 & 1 walk to skating
Nov 13	Movie Night @ WES gym – "UP"
Nov 17	PAC meeting @ 7pm
Nov 20	Christmas Shoe Boxes need to be in
Nov 26 & 27	Scholastic Book Fair in library
Nov 27	Parent / Teacher / Student Conference Day



Community Events

Winter Art Classes for Kids: Experienced and vetted teacher, Helen Binns will be holding three classes for youth ages 7-12 on Saturday November 28, December 5 and December 12 from 11 to 3pm. These classes have a Christmas theme so children will be busy making ornaments and presents while parents can take the rare opportunity to do some shopping in peace. The cost is \$35 per class or all three for \$105 (members rate); each class is different so you can register your little one for all three weeks! Register by emailing ocac@shaw.ca or phoning Lauren at 250 248 8185. Oceanside Community Arts Council

School District Website - Community News or Activities bulletin board off the front page of the main website – www.sd69.bc.ca Look for new info under SD 69 News and Announcements.

Movie Night – Friday, Nov 13th

of family members planning to attend _____

of bags of popcorn _____ # of water bottles _____

of Licorice _____

**This information is for us to obtain an idea of snacks needed. You will not be committed to these purchases.