

# KATZIE NEWSFLASH

6887 – 194A Street, Surrey, BC V4N 1N2  
Principal: Mr. Solomon Lee  
Acting Vice Principal: Mr. Ron Gerbrandt



Phone: (778) 571-4080  
Fax: (778) 571-4089  
Courier #201

**October 17**

**Grade 6 Immunizations**

**October 18**

**Early Dismissal 1:30 pm**

**Student Led Conferences**

**October 20**

**Non-Instructional Day – School Not In Session**

## **Halloween COSTUME PROPS**

Halloween is fast approaching! A reminder to all parents and students that replica or toy weapons are not allowed at school even if they are a part of their Halloween costumes.

As per Safe & Caring Schools Policy 9410 & Regulation 9410.1 - "It is expected that students will not use, possess or display any weapon, replica weapon or toy weapon, on any school property or at any event that is organized or sponsored by a school."

## **Halloween COSTUME PARADE**

Parents are welcome to gather in our school gymnasium at 8:30 am to view the costume parade. As the hallways will be very congested on this day, please head directly to the gymnasium to await the ghouls and witches!

## **Administration of Medication**

All medications administered at school must be accompanied by your Physicians instructions, this includes any over the counter medications. The only medications that should be at school are those that have the documented care plan filled out by your family physician and are held in the office for safety purposes (form available at the office).

Over the counter medications pose a liability issue for the non-medically trained individuals dispensing the medication. Every effort should be made to have all medications taken at home or have parents come to the school to administer the medication. Medication should not be in a child's backpack, desk or pockets – unless it is for a life threatening allergy and have a clear care plan in place.

## Keeping children safe... Suggestions for parents

- Teach your child how to dial 0 or 911 for help.
- Teach your child not to open the door to strangers or give information on the phone.
- Only mark your child's name on the inside of clothing or other items.
- Keep an updated list of names, phone numbers and addresses of your child's friends.
- Have a secret family password. Ensure your child knows not to go with or assist anyone unless they give the password.
- Together, choose a safe route to school and tell your child to take the same route to school and home every day and not to use shortcuts.
- Make your child aware of safe places on the route; e.g. friend's houses, businesses.
- Ensure the places your child plays are safe and someone is there to watch them.
- Never let your child go unattended to public washrooms.
- If your child says he/she is going to a friend's house, make it a rule to verify with the friend's parents that your child is visiting and will be supervised.
- Explain to your child that strangers can drive any type of vehicle, can be male or female, can be young or old and can look shabby or be well dressed.



- Instruct your child to stay a safe distance from anyone who stops to talk to them. Your child should not be close enough to the person that he/she could be grabbed, pushed or pulled into a vehicle.
- Keep up-to-date identification information about your child - a recent colour photograph, height, weight, medical and dental history, fingerprints.
- Insist that your child tell you about anything that happens which makes him/her feel uncomfortable. Teach your child to trust his/her instincts.
- Tell your child it is not rude to ignore an adult asking for directions or help.
- If your child is approached by a stranger, ensure that police are called and that his/her school administrator is notified immediately.