

# Berkshire Park Elementary School

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#### Message from Mr. Lam

We are so happy we were able to once again provide gymnastics lessons to all the children, and the lessons were enjoyed by many! Thank you to all who have paid the \$10 to help support future upcoming events planned for the year, including curling lessons and Hip Hop lessons in the Spring.

Today, many of the children had fun dressing up in their Halloween costumes and doing different activities in their classrooms. Thank you, PAC for providing the lovely treats for the children. For those of you heading out for trick-or-treat on Sunday, remember some safety precautions outlined below.

In the interest of student safety, especially with the construction happening on 94<sup>th</sup> Avenue, the parking lot is closed for student drop offs and student pick-ups. Thank you for making an extra effort to walk your children to school and making student safety a priority over convenience. Please note that November 3<sup>rd</sup>, is our next Walk to School Wednesday when the children will be able to earn house points for walking to school and a chance to earn a free lunch with Mr. Lam from a random draw of those who participate.

### Halloween Safety

How to make your costume safe:

- Make sure that drivers can see your child. Use costumes with reflective tape and give each child a flashlight.
- Make sure your child can see. Use face paint instead of masks.
- To prevent falling, costumes should not be longer than your child's ankle.

How to make trick or treating safe:

- Children should stay in well-lit areas and only visit homes that have their outside lights turned on.
  Children should never go inside any house.
- If you are driving on Halloween night, please be extra careful. Children are excited at Halloween and may forget some of the safety rules.
- Before your children eat their candy, make sure you examine it. Throw out any treats that are not wrapped.



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOVEMBER

- 01 PJ Day
- 03 Walk to School Wednesday
- 05 PAC's Hot Lunch Day
- 08 Photo Retake Day
- 10 Remembrance Day Assembly
- 11 Remembrance Day (no school)
- 12 Pro-D Day (no school)
- 19 PAC's Hot Lunch Day
- 25 PAC Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

## REMEMBRANCE DAY OUTDOOR EVENT (WEDNESDAY, NOV. 10th):

Since, we are still not holding school-wide assemblies in the gym, teachers will be addressing the importance of Remembrance Day in their own classrooms on the morning of November  $10^{th}$ . After lunch, we will gather outside (rain or shine) as a school for a moment of silence to remember those who gave their lives to ensure the peace we enjoy each day.

We are encouraging the students and staff to wear black and white on this day. Please have the children bring rain gear or an umbrella in case of rainy weather. Students will be given their poppies on Wednesday afternoon, just before we head outside for the moment of silence. Please consider helping our veterans by making a small donation, which will be collected on the same day the poppies are handed out to the students.

