



*White Rock Wave Newsletter*

*November 1, 2018*

## From the Desk of the Admin Team

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The month of October ended with phenomenal school spirit. Our PAC Family Dance was a huge success! The event raised over \$1200 and many of our families came dressed in their costumes.

Our Remembrance Day assembly is on Thursday, November 8th. Parents, grandparents and all relatives are welcome. Join us in the gym at 10:30. It provides an opportunity for the entire school to come together, to remember and honour the men and woman that gave their lives for our country in order to protect our rights and freedoms. If your child participates in Cadets, Scouting or Guiding programs, we encourage them to wear their uniforms. Families are welcome to join us.

**The calendar for November needs your attention as there are many special date.**

- ✚ **November 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> students do not attend.**
- ✚ **November 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> are early dismissal at 1:27**, and teachers will be contacting you directly to indicate how to make an appointment to visit the class. This may be a parent teacher interview or a student led conference.

Our wonderful PAC is subsidizing our in school soccer program that will begin November 13th. The program will run for two weeks and will cost \$5.00 per student. At the end of the month, we will be having our Scholastic Book Fair. The Book Fair will run November 28<sup>th</sup> until November 30<sup>th</sup>. The PAC is looking for volunteers to help run this event.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rawji  
Principal

Ms. Swansburg  
Vice-Principal



**November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Daylight Savings

**Turn your  
clocks BACK  
1 hour**



## Register Your Family

Sign up for the **School News** by registering on the front page of our website:

<http://www.surreyschools/schools/whiterockelem>

You will receive a monthly newsletter, **as well as** other important school information that arises.

If you have not registered on the **PAC** web site, you will not receive PAC email bulletins. Please go to the **PAC web site** and register for an account, even if you do not wish to order hot lunch.

[www.wrepac.ca](http://www.wrepac.ca)

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## Remembrance Day Assembly

Please join us in the gym for our  
**Remembrance Day Assembly –  
Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at  
10:30 a.m.**



## ALLERGY ALERT

### We are an Allergy Aware School

A number of students at White Rock Elementary have life-threatening allergies to peanuts and nut products. We are asking for your co-operation to help make White Rock as safe a place as possible for all students. Please pack a nut free lunch and snack for your child.



## Parking at the School



As many of you drive your children to and from school, you can appreciate the congestion that occurs in our parking lot, particularly before and after school. We commit to you that we will do our best to get your children in the door safely, but we will need your help.

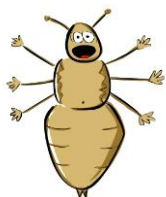
❖ **Do not park in the DROP OFF ZONE, but do find a parking spot.**

- ❖ **Do not leave your car unattended in the DROP OFF Zone**
- ❖ **Once you have parked in a designated parking spot, you are then able to accompany your students safely to the door, or remind them to watch for moving traffic.**
- ❖ **Do not park along the brick wall outside the gymnasium at the end of the day.** Many staff are leaving the building at that time as well, and are finding that parked cars are blocking them in. Please find a parking spot in the lot or on the street.
- ❖ **Do not sit in your car at pick up with the engine idling.** It is particularly difficult for our Kindergarten children whose doors and windows open to that area.

If you choose to enter the parking lot, please follow the protocol established for our drop off lane. **That is, drivers are to stay in their car and continue to move toward the exit.** Parking your car in this lane stops the flow of traffic and results in frustration and unsafe conditions for your children. If you have intermediate children, it is strongly suggested that you identify a pick up spot away from the parking lot area. **Whenever possible, we encourage you to walk to school with your children.**

## Lice Checks

Head lice are a reality in school populations and though they are not a health hazard, they are a real nuisance to families. Anyone can have head lice and it doesn't mean a person is unclean. "Head lice can be best controlled through the cooperation of parents, children and the school." You can help by checking your child's scalp and hairline on a regular basis. We ask that parents report when their child has head lice so that we can alert other families in the classroom to check their child at home.



### Nit Wit Team

Volunteers are needed to check students who may have lice. The time commitment is minimal and training will be provided. If you are able to join the "nit Wit Team" please call Teresa at the office 604-531-5731

## SPORTING NEWS

### Cross Country Meets

Our White Rock Elementary Cross Country team worked hard at practices and it showed in the meets. Our cross-country coaches, Ms. Temple, and Mr. O'Malley were impressed with the effort and successes of all the students!

They were especially excited about the potential of the grade 3 newcomers who ROCKED it this year! We also want to say a huge thank you to the parents who came out and supported the school and staff as well as their children during these runs.



### WRE Volleyball

Mr. O'Malley, Ms. Kim and Ms. Keen have been coaching the volleyball teams. The boys games are mainly played on Wednesdays and the girls' games are on Thursday after school. Make sure your student has a copy of the schedule so you can watch, pick up, and/or drop off at the correct location!

Practices for all teams have been impressive, as students work hard to improve their skills.

The game schedule is summarized below. Any changes will be sent home with the players.

**Go White Rock!**



### **VOLLEYBALL GAME SCHEDULE**

**Tues. Oct. 30 WRE Boys host Sunnyside**

**Thurs. Nov. 1 WRE Girls host Sunnyside**

**Wed. Nov. 7 WRE Boys at Bayridge**

**Thurs. Nov. 8 WRE Girls at Bayridge**

**Wed. Nov. 14 WRE Boys host Semiahmoo Trail**

**Thurs. Nov. 15 WRE Girls host Semiahmoo Trail**

**Wed. Nov. 21 WRE Boys at Sunnyside**

**Thurs. Nov. 22 WRE Girls at Sunnyside**

**GO  
WAVES!!**

Information regarding the wrap up Playday will be sent out once we have more information.

## **PAC Happenings...**

### **Babysitting Course**

The PAC is offering a Babysitters Course on Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am – 3:30pm at White Rock Elementary.

### **Babysitting**



### **Winter Craft Fair**

Unfortunately our PAC has had to cancel the Winter Craft Fair this year.

### **Playground Holiday Fundraisers**

PAC is offering three different fundraisers that will help with your holiday shopping. Please see the attached information sheet as the dates are different for each if the different vendors.



Everything can be ordered on [wrepac.ca](http://wrepac.ca) just like your hot lunches or you can submit a paper order to the office.

Your child will be bringing home more information this week.

### **Volunteers**

Who is PAC – all parents of White Rock Elementary!!



Please come out to our PAC meetings and get involved in supporting your child's school. We are always looking for volunteers in different capacities. We need help with hot lunch, fundraising, and event planning just to mention a few.

Please come out to our next PAC meeting or email us at [whiterockpac@gmail.com](mailto:whiterockpac@gmail.com) to get information on upcoming events and activities that you can get involved in.

### **Next Pac Meeting - Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm**

Please come join us for our next PAC Meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.



## Upcoming Dates

November 2	Hot lunch – A&W
November 4	Daylight Savings Time ends
November 5	Hot lunch – Hot dogs
November 7	Division 2/3 Swimming
November 8	Remembrance Day Assembly 10:30 a.m. – families welcome Hot lunch - Subway
November 9	Non-Instructional Day (No School)
November 11	Remembrance Day
November 12	Statutory Holiday for Remembrance Day (No School)
November 13-19	Soccer program begins
November 13	Hot lunch – King Sushi
November 14	Division 1, 2 &3 Transit workshop
November 15	Division 6 to Vancouver Airport
November 16	Photo Retakes 9:00 a.m. Division 4, 11 &16 Skating Hot lunch – White Spot
November 19	Hot lunch – Pacific Bistro
November 21	Hot lunch – Hot dogs
November 21-22	Early Dismissal (1:27 dismissal both days) Parent/Teacher Interviews
November 23	Hot lunch – Pizza
November 26	Hot lunch - Subway
November 27	Division 5, 9 &15 Skating PAC meeting 6pm
November 28-30	Scholastic Book Fair
November 28	Division 1 Arts Umbrella
November 30	Division 1, 10 &18 Skating Hot lunch – A&W

**Check out our website:**

**[www.surreyschools.ca/schools/whiterockelem](http://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/whiterockelem)**

## Playground Holiday Fundraisers Are Here!

We have three exciting fundraisers that should help everyone get their holiday shopping started early! We are starting everything now but they all have different closing dates for ordering so please pay close attention if you are interested in ordering from any of these vendors.

Everything can be ordered on [wrepac.ca](http://wrepac.ca) just like hot lunch or you can submit a paper order to the office. If you are having trouble ordering please let us know and we will be happy to help!

**Neufeld Farms** – a delicious assortment of sweet and savory foods to fill your freezer for the holidays.

**Order by end of day November 7**

**Pick up November 23 at 2:15pm**

Please note we do not have space to store frozen items at the school so if you order Neufeld items you will need to pick them up at this time.

**West Coast Gardens** – our favourite local nursery is back with an assortment of holiday selections.

**Order by end of day November 18**

**Pick up December 7**

**Purdy's Chocolates** – delicious chocolates, great for gifts to family, friends or clients if you own a business!

**Order by November 28**

**Pick up December 14**

Please see attached pamphlets for information about products and order online at [wrepac.ca](http://wrepac.ca). **Do not order on the vendor websites please.** We want to keep all of the orders in one place.

All proceeds from these vendors will go towards the playground!

If you have any questions please contact the PAC at [whiterockpac@gmail.com](mailto:whiterockpac@gmail.com).

Thank you for your continued support!