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Holly November Newsletter

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Principal's and Vice Principal's Message

It has been another wonderful month at Holly. We have been working together as a school community to sprinkle kindness to each other everyday. A very special thank you to all our teachers who made it possible to connect with families over the phone or virtually during parent/ teacher conversations last week. We could not have done it without the support of our Holly families. Thank you for your patience and support. Everyone is trying their best. We are so proud of your children as they adapt to the new health and safety protocols in our school which keep them happy and safe. We thank all of our staff, parents, learners and community for their continued support.

As the COVID-19 numbers increase in BC and in the Fraser Valley we cannot let up. The definition of Perseverance says it all: "persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success". We must persist. We are doing all that we can here at school, we need you to encourage your children to be careful and safe at home as well.

This Friday learners are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes. Please be reminded that costumes must be safe, and replica weapons are not allowed. While we can not have our usual Halloween parade, we hope it will still be a fun and safe day. We hope you have a Happy Halloween –at home!

As we move in to November, we take the time to acknowledge and participate virtually in our upcoming Remembrance Day assembly where we honour and recognize war veterans and their service to our country.

Warm Regards,

Mr. Shook & Mrs. Kabani



Halloween

For many of our classes, Halloween is a fun and exciting time with special celebrations. This year it is important that our plans stay consistent with our district health and safety protocols.

- Costumes can be safely worn to school on Friday.
- Where possible, incorporate a non-medical mask into your child's costume.
- Remind your children not to touch each other's costumes, no matter how intriguing they are!
- Remind your children not to wear a costume mask over a non-medical mask. It might make it difficult to breathe.
- Please do not send food of any kind to share with the class on this day.



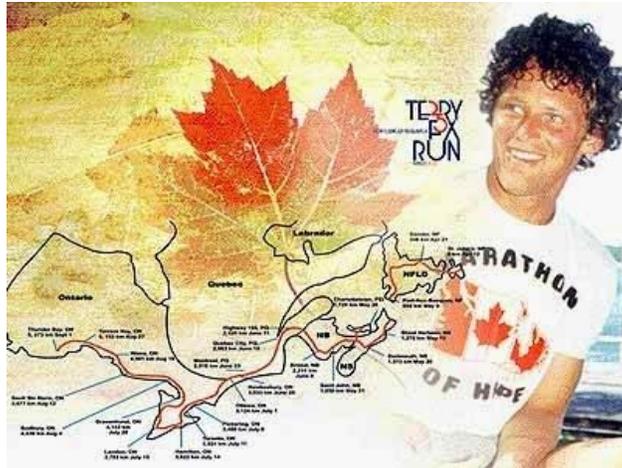
Remembrance Day Assembly

Our Remembrance Day Assembly will be held virtually this year on Tuesday, November 10th @ 9:00 a.m. Cadets, Scouts and Guides are welcome to wear their uniforms on this day. This program is approximately 30 minutes and includes a reading of In Flanders Fields (poem by John McCrae), Last Post, a moment of silence and Rouse. Learners from our school are not performing, rather this assembly features The Surrey City Orchestra, featuring SD36 alumni.



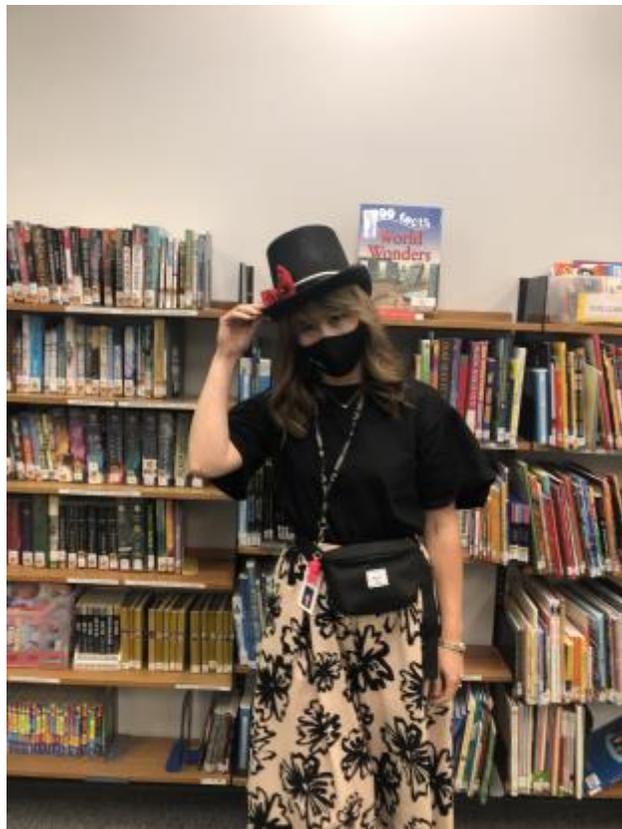
Terry Fox Run

Congratulations to all our Holly learners who participated in the Terry Fox Run! Together we raised \$400 for cancer research. Thank you to our Holly families for your generous contribution in helping Terry achieve his dream in the Marathon of Hope.



Hat Day

Hat day was a great success. Check out some of the fabulous hats! We are looking forward to crazy hair day on November 14th.







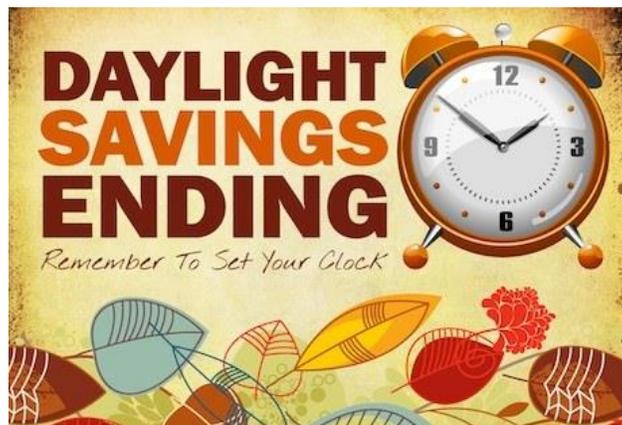
Cooler Weather

The weather is getting cooler and crisp, and the smell of fall is in the air. Please dress your child for the colder weather by sending them to school with warm jackets, boots and even some mittens to keep their fingers toasty warm.



Daylight Savings

Fall behind! Remember to adjust your clocks an hour back. Daylight savings time ends on November 1st.



SchoolLink App

Our Holly Happenings comes out every Friday on the SchoolLink App. It gives families an overview of what is happening at school for the upcoming week.

Connecting parents, teachers and students! Curious about the date of our next early dismissal day? Wondering if you missed a deadline? Wishing someone would send a reminder to your phone in the morning to tell you if it's a Spirit Day or a Snow Day?

The SD #36 District mobile app (Apple or Android) is called SchoolLink.

This app provides news, announcements, alerts, school closure reminders, urgent notifications, contact information and featured stories from the District and the schools that you choose.

The app keeps you up to date with the schools that are important to you.

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What's Happening at Holly?



October

- 30 Halloween costume day

November

- 6 Non-Instructional Day – School Closed
- 10 Virtual Remembrance Day Assembly
- 14 Crazy Hair Day

- 11 Remembrance Day (Stat Holiday) – School Closed
- 17 Photo Retakes

December

- 4 Report Cards CSL
- 9 Grade 6 Immunizations (**At this time Gr 6 immunizations have been currently cancelled at the school**)
- 21 Winter Break begins

January

- 4 School Reopens