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### Principal's Greeting

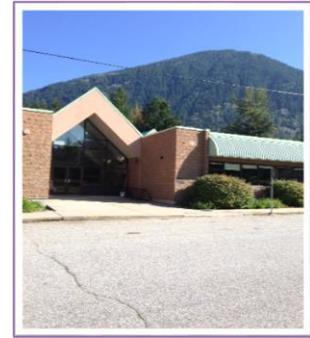
As I write this, our hallways are filled with students and staff dressed in their Halloween costumes, the leaves outside are the vibrant colors of mother nature's crayon, and we are in full swing of autumn. November is a busy month, with Remembrance, report cards for secondary students, student photos, and our second immersion week starting on November 24. Our soup days have begun each Friday, and next week on Wednesday, our Intergenerational Breakfast Program begins again.

October has also been busy with our first Immersion week, Thanksgiving, and a wonderful time of pumpkin carving with Peter Vogel, generously supported by the Silverton Gallery Society.

A reminder as we head in to cooler and wetter weather, please remember to have students dress appropriately, with warm and waterproof coats and boots. We are encouraging all our students to spend their recess and lunch breaks outside playing; however to remain focused during class time, being dry is absolutely necessary. Sending an additional set of dry clothing for the classroom may be required. Please contact your teacher for more information.

Mrs. Nicol Suhr

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### Important Dates

November 3 – ArtStarts performance

November 4 – School Photos

November 5 – PAC meeting

November 7 – Remembrance Day Assembly at 10.45AM

November 10 – School Holiday (no school)

November 11 – Remembrance Day (no School)

November 19 – Parent Home Reading How-to workshop

November 24-28 – Communicating Creatively Immersion Week

November 24 – Secondary Report Cards

November 25 – Photo Retakes

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## Remembrance Day

Our Remembrance Day assembly is Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 10.45am in the Lucerne gymnasium. Poppies are available at the Lucerne school office as of November 3.

## More Important News

### PAC meetings

Our Parent Advisory Council meetings happen the first Wednesday of the month at 6pm in the Lucerne library. Wednesday, November 5 is the Lucerne PAC AGM. All parents are welcome as this is a vital communication forum and way for parents to be involved in school happenings.

### Noon Hour Supervisors

We need noon hour supervisors! Thursday and Friday we need supervision on the playground for our elementary students. This is a paid position from noon – 1pm. A criminal record check is required. This is a wonderful opportunity to input into the lives of our children! Please see the school office for more information.

### Absence Reporting

If your child is going to be absent, it is very helpful for our staff if we know ahead of time. Please call Chiyoko Reitmeier at 250-265-3638 extension 3501 to leave a message. As well, if your child needs to leave the school at any time during the day, please remember we require a note from home, and the child needs to sign out at the office.

### School Photos

School Photo day is Tuesday, November 4! The photographer kindly reminds us to wear colors other than green for the best results. Photo retakes will be November 25.

### Study Tip

Cognitive research has shown us that regular exercise, sleep and drinking water, in addition to proper nutrition helps us to learn more easily. Even a 20 minute walk around the block increases our retention of new information!



## Communication

Do you have an email address? We are pleased to email out newsletters to homes – this option also is more environmentally friendly and cost-effective for our school. Please let the office know if you would prefer communication this way.

## Immersion Weeks

Our second immersion week will be November 24 – 28. We will be examining communication methods using fine and digital arts. With available workshops on dance, pottery, digital arts and a “maker faire” approach, students will have the opportunity to communicate a personal theme in a way that is individual to them.