



**CYPRESS PARK PRIMARY THURSDAY eBULLETIN**

**OCTOBER 17, 2024**

**REMINDER**

**CYPRESS PARK FALL FAIR - TODAY !!!! at 2:30pm**



**LOOKING AHEAD**

October 17	2:30PM Cypress Park Fall Fair - <a href="#">Get your Duck Dive Tickets today</a>
October 18	REMEMBER to wear your Cypress Park Spirit Wear
October 22	12:00 EARLY DISMISSAL - Parent / Teacher Conferences
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October 23	Kindergarten Hearing screening
October 25	Professional Development Day - school not in session
October 28	Student Photo Retake Day
October 29	9:15AM PAC meeting in Gym
October 31	Halloween celebrations

**STUDENT PHOTOS RETAKES Monday, October 28th**



**LEAVING EARLIER THAN 2:30 PM**

*Please email teachers and office first thing in the morning. All students need to be signed out at the office if departing before 2:30PM.*

STUDENT ABSENCES PLEASE EMAIL [ethoma@wvschools.ca](mailto:ethoma@wvschools.ca)

**SPRIT FRIDAYS**

Show your Spirit on Fridays by wearing your Cypress Park spirit wear tomorrow.

**IB INFORMATION**

[Learner Profile](#)  
[2024-25 Programme of Inquiry](#)  
[Ways to Support Your Child as a PYP Parent](#)



2024-2025 YEAR TO DATE CALENDAR

[HERE](#)

2024-2025 BELL SCHEDULE

[HERE](#)

PLAYGROUND RULES

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CYPRESS PARK CODE OF CONDUCT

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# PARENT / TEACHER LEARNING CONFERENCES

## OCTOBER 22nd and 23rd

### HAVE YOU SIGNED UP? PARENT / TEACHER LEARNING CONFERENCES

**BOOKINGS CLOSE SUNDAY OCT 20TH MIDNIGHT!**



#### BOOKING PARENT, TEACHER LEARNING CONFERENCES

1. [Click here](#): If you are prompted for an event code, enter: qc6x4  
<https://schoolinterviews.ca/code/qc6x4>

2. Enter your information (parent email, parent name, phone number and student name)
  - Here you can indicate the number of students that you need to book for, if you have more than one child at Cypress Park.
  - Click on GO
3. Choose your child's teacher
  - Choose the date and time that works best for you from the options provided.
  - Conferences are 10 minutes long.

**NOTE:** These conferences are ADULT only, please arrange childcare if you plan on attending.

**REMINDER:** Early dismissal times for both (12:00PM) to accommodate the conferences.

### COMMUNICATION CORNER - OCTOBER

Over the next month, you will be receiving an email invitation to join SpacesEDU.

SpacesEDU is a web and mobile app/platform that allows teachers and students to capture, communicate, and reflect on what is happening in their classrooms. It is the easiest way to record learning, encourage reflection and spark conversations between students, staff, and families through an online digital portfolio. Teachers take a lot of time to document learning and students enjoy receiving feedback from their families so regular visits and comments are appreciated. SpacesEDU is where students will reflect on the Core Competencies and Approaches to Learning (ATL) that will accompany their Learning Updates.

Please see the following resource to get started:

[https://resources.spacesedu.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/SpacesEDUFamily\\_GettingStartedGuideEN.pdf](https://resources.spacesedu.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/SpacesEDUFamily_GettingStartedGuideEN.pdf)





## ANDY THE MUSICAL SCIENTIST

Thank you to the PAC for sponsoring enriching opportunities such as having a whole school performance by Andy the Musical Scientist. While travelling in Africa, Andy was astounded to witness village children making their own instruments out of old recyclable items such as pop cans that they found on the ground. He started making his own musical instruments and inspired to visit school to encourage creative and critical thinking while demonstrating scientific principles of music, proactive recycling and multiculturalism.



# STUDENT ILLNESS



## WHEN SHOULD I KEEP MY SICK CHILD HOME FROM SCHOOL?

Things to consider if your child feels unwell :

1. Without proper rest, a child may have a hard time fighting an illness or be at risk for other illnesses.
2. The ability of your child to actively take part and learn at school.
3. The school staff cannot care for a sick child and give them the support that they may need.
4. The protection of other children

### Please keep your child home if they:

- ❖ Have a fever
- ❖ Are too sick to take part in all normal school activities
- ❖ Have a suspected or known communicable disease (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox or measles)
- ❖ Is vomiting or has diarrhea. It is recommended that students be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to School.

If the school finds it necessary to send your child home because of illness, please make sure you have arranged an emergency contact if you are not available. [Inform your school of these arrangements.](#)

### Where can I find more information

- Health Link BC - by calling 8-1-1, you can speak to a health service navigator, who can help you find information and services, or connect you with a health professional. You can also find information online at [www.healthlinkbc.ca](http://www.healthlinkbc.ca)
- Sneezes and Diseases - online at [www.sneezesdiseases.com](http://www.sneezesdiseases.com)
- BCCDC - online at [schools.bccdc.ca](http://schools.bccdc.ca)
- [Vancouver Coastal Health](#)
- [VCH - online at Children and Youth health - Vancouver Coastal Health](#)
- School Administrators can also contact their School Public Health Nurse

# HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS COMING UP

As students and families start to think about costumes, to ensure the day is fun for everyone, please observe the following dos and don'ts:

- ❖ Feel welcome to dress in a costume or not.
- ❖ Continue to avoid costumes that promote cultural stereotypes. If you're looking for information on *cultural appropriation* vs. *cultural appreciation*, click [HERE](#) for a CBC video; and for a great list of questions to ask about whether a costume is appropriate or not, click [HERE](#) to see information from UBC's Equity & Inclusion Office.
- ❖ **NO MASKS**, beyond, of course, medical masks worn for health reasons.
- ❖ Absolutely **NO WEAPONS** (swords, lightsabers, nunchucks etc.) and please make sure costumes are school appropriate.
- ❖ Wear something comfortable that can be worn all day and can withstand being outside in any weather.
- ❖ Students should be able to put on their costume and take it off to use the bathroom by themselves.
- ❖ Avoid scented items that might irritate others (e.g. some hair colouring products).
- ❖ Come to school in your costume; there will be **no changing in the washrooms.**
- ❖ Students who wish to **bring in Halloween candy to school** are asked to limit it to two pieces. **(remember no nuts)**

## THE PARADE:

Please arrive on time on the 31st. Students will go to their classes as per normal, where teachers will take attendance. Students will exit the school via their exterior classroom door and walk around the school. Please give the students space. The classes will keep moving. Bring an umbrella just in case! We will take lots of photos throughout the day so if you are unable to make the parade please do not worry!



## HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Monday (Foodie Kids)  
Wednesday (Fresh Bay Pizza)  
Friday (Aburi Sushi)





ORDERING IS ONGOING AT  
[MUNCHALUNCH](#)

The system is open all year and updates can be made 2 weeks prior to delivery. Cutlery is not provided please make sure to add cutlery daily to student lunches and hot lunch days if they are required.



## CYPRESS PARK KIDS CLUB

 Cypress Kids Club has added TENNIS on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30pm to their program with a tennis coach.

 They will also be adding BADMINTON on Fridays. The extra lessons are free for their after school care students as part of the Cypress Kids Club program. You can do drop-ins or register for 2 days a week on their website. For more information, please log into our website: <http://www.cypresskidsclub.com/>

## NO SUCH THING AS BAD WEATHER JUST INAPPROPRIATE CLOTHING

The wet weather has arrived! Students are outside for approximately 45 minutes for morning and lunch recesses and will need to keep warm and dry. Please ensure your child/ren come to school in appropriate waterproofed clothing and footwear. Please also make sure to add a change of dry clothing in their backpack.



## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

We are changing how we share community news and events. Starting now, individual "Community Connections" will no longer be included in our school bulletins. Instead, all local programs, events, and resources will be found in one convenient location, accessible through a [single link](#) that we'll update and share with you each week.

**Christine Hulme**

Vice Principal, Cypress Park Primary School

**Office:** 604-981-1330 **Direct:** 604-209-8196



## VOLUNTARY ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

Please understand that if you are choosing to take extended holidays when classes are in session, teachers cannot replicate the learning that happens within the classroom and are not able to provide online learning opportunities.

Our teachers do their very best to support students during required absences due to illness, however, when the absence is voluntary and a family's choice (such as extending a weekend, holiday, or vacation), it is a family's responsibility to maintain academic learning at home.

Please take time to read with your child, have them write in a "holiday" journal, do Math IXL online, take advantage of other emergent opportunities to practise foundational skills (e.g. following instructions and using math while cooking).



## REMINDERS & QUICK LINKS...

- ✓ **TEACHER'S GIFTS:** We are at 46% of our goal! Please e-transfer \$40 to [info.paccpp@gmail.com](mailto:info.paccpp@gmail.com) for each student & include "Teacher's Gift, Child's Name, Grade" in the description.

## R IS FOR RAFFLE – FUNDRAISER

The **R is for Raffle** winter fundraiser kicks off next week. Tickets will be coming home & exciting features include an Early Bird draw Thurs, Nov 7 & the Live Draw at our Family Movie Night Wed, Nov 27. The **TOP 3 STUDENTS** with most tickets sold will get to choose from our list of fantastic prizes.

### OVER \$13,000 WORTH OF PRIZES INCLUDING...

2 Nights at Chateau Fairmont Whistler, 2 Nights Stay at a Waterfront Getaway Near Tofino, Westjet Flights, 2x Canucks & 4x Whitecaps Tickets, Neon Slime Party, Bike Park Passes, Cooking Classes, Lasertag, Bar Method, Fencing, Skoah Facial, Grouse Mountain & Award Winning Restaurants. [MORE PRIZES](#)



♥ **THANKS TO ALL THE RAFFLE VOLUNTEERS FOR COLLECTING OVER \$13,000 WORTH OF DONATIONS**

# FUNDING FUTURES: SPONSORSHIPS OF THE WEEK


## EXPERTS IN RESIDENTS & PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS

Each year the Cypress Park PAC is responsible for providing program enhancements that make up our Experts in Residence programs, which is a collaboration between industry experts & our educators to introduce new concepts & opportunities to our children. **Upcoming Experts include...**

- **Health:** 2x Fencing (Oct 24 & Nov 1)
- **Theatre/Performing Arts:** Young Actors Project (Nov)
- **Language:** Les Petits Chefs – French Cooking Course (Fall)
- **Health:** Field hockey (x2 in Dec)

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YOUNG ACTOR'S PROJECT


THE YOUNG ACTORS PROJECT INTRODUCES KIDS TO THE ART OF ACTING. THESE WORKSHOPS...



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LACROSSE & SUPPLIES

NORTH SHORE MINOR LACROSSE ASSOCIATION, IS AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO PLAYER...



**CAD\$50.00**

### -HELP SPONSOR THESE PROGRAMS TODAY-

Or visit <https://cypress-park.square.site/>



### — KINDNESS CORNER —

#### THANKS FOR THE TREE OF MIRACLES

Special thanks to the Mitchell, Sichani, Cheng, LeBlanc & Jakovljevic families for donating the Dundarave Tree of Miracles. **THANKS Emilia, Lily-Rose, Jace, Liliana, Will, Caroline & Maksim!** 🌲 Is there a student, parent or family that went above & beyond this week that you'd like to say THANKS to here in our Kindness Corner?

Let us know! [info.paccpp@gmail.com](mailto:info.paccpp@gmail.com)

❤️ THANKS TO ALL OF OUR THE FALL FAIR VOLUNTEERS