



**NOVEMBER 14, 2024**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

November 15	Wear your Cypress Park spirit wear
November 15	Early Bird PAC Raffle Draw Extended to today
November 27	4:45pm PAC Family Movie Night & Live Raffle Draw
November 29	First <b>Festive Friday</b> Friday - Spirit Wear / <b>Red</b> and <b>Green</b> clothing
December 6	<b>Festive Friday</b> - Spirit Wear / Hats, Toques, Antler Ears, Santa Hat
December 13	<b>Festive Friday</b> - Spirit Wear / Holiday Sweater 1st Term Learning Updates - posted to MyEd
December 18	2:00pm Winter Concert in the gym
December 20	<b>Festive Friday</b> - Holiday Pajama Day Last day of school before Winter Break
December 23 January 3	School will be closed for Winter Break
December 25	Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah
January 6	First day back from break



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

**EXTENDED HOLIDAYS  
DURING SCHOOL TIME**

If your child is going to be absent from school please email your classroom teacher and email Ms. Thoma at [ethoma@wvschools.ca](mailto:ethoma@wvschools.ca) to let us know.

**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, and take advantage of other opportunities to practice foundational skills (e.g. following instructions and using math while cooking).

**IN PREPARATION OF  
WINTER WEATHER**

**CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION**



# LEST WE FORGET



Last Friday we recognized Remembrance Day with a whole school assembly. A big thank you to students and staff for making this special event a success. A special shout out to Ms. Becu for preparing the students so well for a beautiful performance. The artwork, reflections about peace, leadership by the Gr 3's and the poem all helped to make for a special ceremony. Thank you to all of the families that were able to attend and honour this important event with us.





## NUMERACY IS FUN in KINDERGARTEN Shoe Sorting!

This week, we dove into sorting with a fun, hands-on activity using our shoes! The students explored different ways to organize them, discovering that there are many “sorting rules” we can use, like colour, size, type, or laces vs. no laces. We also enjoyed reading *All Sorts* by Pippa Goodhart, which got us thinking creatively about all the ways we can group things. Sorting is an excellent way to build math and observation skills, and we’re excited to see what other items we can sort in class. Can you guess our sorting rules?



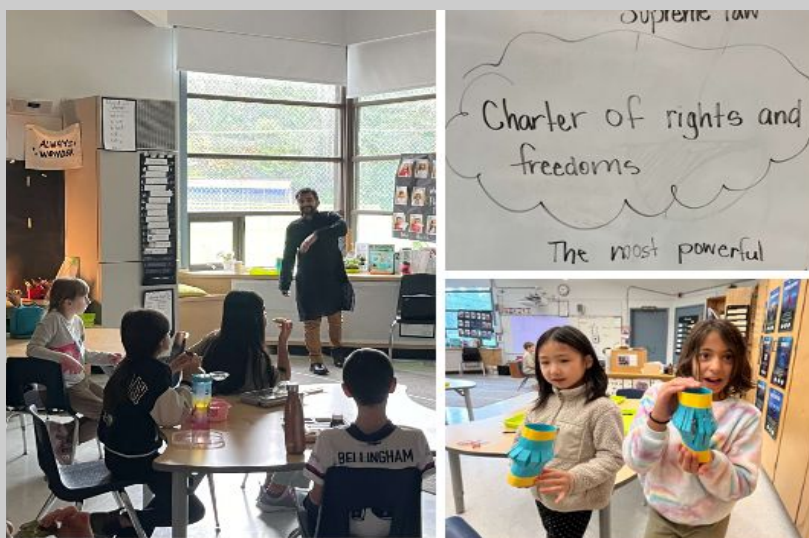
## NUMERACY

The grade two’s practiced skip counting by twos by building a path across the floor. We used different manipulatives to build the path. We also used our communication and social skills to work with our partner.



## Happy Diwali!

Grade three students had a fascinating conversation about India, Mahatma Gandhi, silent protests, and where the salt in India should have been dried—plus a deep dive into the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, among many other topics! “Societies have customs and practices that shape how they function.” A huge thank you to Jen and Deven for an insightful day on *How We Organize Ourselves*.







Head lice are a common, annoying pest that all schools encounter, and one great way to help control the spread of head lice is to take a peek every week. It is important that we change how we approach and talk about head lice in our community.

We would like to encourage parents to speak more freely with each other if their child has head lice and to notify the school immediately. Please report cases to the school; individual information is never shared but this helps bring an awareness to the community at large. We currently do not have any cases here at Cypress Park but it is the season and other schools in our community have reported head lice.

Our Cypress Park website has pamphlets and information sheets from Vancouver Coastal Health. You will find them under the school resource page, [click here](#). Please make sure to go here first, for any questions.

## WEST BAY'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

West Bay will be hosting its annual craft fair on Friday, December 13th in the gym.

**\$20.00 per table - 20 tables will be sold.**

Please email [cawoodworth@yahoo.ca](mailto:cawoodworth@yahoo.ca) if you are interested in a table. More details to follow!



**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

Community information will now be accessible in one convenient location. All local programs, events, and resources will be updated and shared with you each week by clicking [HERE](#).

2024-2025 YEAR TO DATE CALENDAR

[HERE](#)

2024-2025 BELL SCHEDULE

[HERE](#)

PLAYGROUND RULES

[HERE](#)

CYPRESS PARK CODE OF CONDUCT

[HERE](#)

## CYPRESS PARK KIDS CLUB

Cypress Kids Club has added TENNIS 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/>

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- ✓ **TEACHER'S GIFT:** We're 64% to our goal! Please e-transfer [info.paccpp@gmail.com](mailto:info.paccpp@gmail.com) \$40 for each student & include "Teacher's Gift, Student Name, Grade" in the description.

## R IS FOR RAFFLE – FUNDRAISER

**EARLY BIRD DRAW** this Friday, Nov 15 at 2:30PM so get your tickets in & send your e-transfer to [info.paccpp@gmail.com](mailto:info.paccpp@gmail.com)

🏆 **TOP 3 STUDENTS** with the most tickets sold win your choice of any Non-Grand Prize such as:

- Neon Slime Pizza Party
- Lasertag & Balloons
- Ceramics & Pasta Party
- Little Chef Cooking Courses
- Northshore Explore - Bike & Grouse Passes
- Activities, camps, books & more!!!

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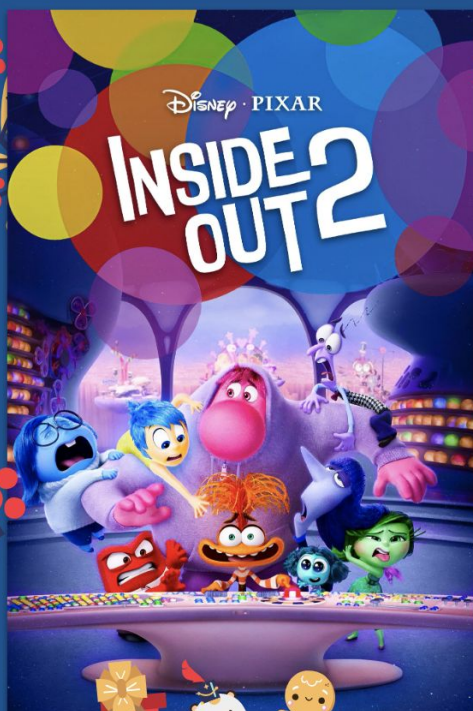
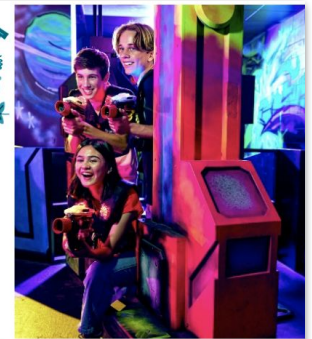
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**LASERTAG & FRANKIE'S BALLOONS PARTY**

4x Games For 8 Players of Lasertag & Frankie's Party in a Box Package With Partyware & Grab-N-Go Balloon Garland

VALUE: \$485

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## FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT & DRAW

Join us for Family Movie Night playing *Inside Out 2* & the R is for Raffle LIVE draw. Please wear your PJ's, bring your blankets & stuffies for a memorable evening!

- **DATE:** Wed, Nov 27 (Doors open at 4:45PM)
- **LOCATION:** Cypress Park School Gym
- **PIZZA:** Want pizza for movie night - we've got you covered! Login to <https://munchalunch.com/> click "Movie Night!" in the top navigation bar, then select the green button "Fundraisers! Order Pizza for Movie Night."
- **VOLUNTEERS:** Looking for volunteers to bring hot chocolate, treats & oranges





## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18 PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Join us for our Winter Concert (FREE - 1:45PM) & get your photos with Santa at the same time (\$25 - 2:30PM). Tickets include Santa meet & greet, photo opp, digital prints & a special keepsake gift.

- **WHAT:** Photos with Santa @ 2:30PM (\$25), Winter Concert @ 1:45PM (FREE)
- **COST:** \$25/student includes a ticket to meet Santa, photo opportunity, digital prints & a special keepsake gift.



**— GET YOUR SANTA PHOTO TICKETS —**

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM LIGHTS UP MUSICAL THEATRE

- **DATE:** Tuesdays @ 2:30pm – 4:45pm
- **COST:** \$365 (2hr 15 min Program, 9 Sessions)

Sing, dance, act & have fun with our talented teaching team. These classes are a great introduction to Lights Up programs & the world of musical theatre. Gain confidence & try new skills, right after school! **SPECIAL BONUS – Performance for friends & family on the last day of classes!** This course is open to all grades, on Thursdays from Jan 14 – Mar 11 @ 2:30pm – 4:45pm.

**— LIGHTS UP REGISTRATION DETAILS —**

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM DYNAMO FENCING – THURSDAYS

- **DATE:** Thursdays @ 2:30-3:10 PM
- **COST:** \$250 (40min Program, 10 Sessions)

FREE brand new fencing mask and glove for first time students (value of \$145). If you wish to purchase a full set of equipment, please contact the club or visit our pro shop. This course is open to all grades, on Thursdays from Jan 9-March 13 @ 2:30-3:10PM.

**— FENCING REGISTRATION DETAILS —**



# NEW ITEMS – SPONSORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

## FUNDING FUTURES: READING & MATH TOOLS

Here are some new items from our **TEACHER'S WISH LIST** selected by our very own Cypress Park teachers. These are tools that they'd like to add to our classrooms to help with reading & math.

- **VOWEL & ALPHABET SOUNDS TEACHING TUBS:** Young readers often struggle with vowel sounds long after they've mastered consonants. These tubs include an extensive teacher's guide filled with lesson plans, activities, games & teaching ideas. Perfect for teaching initial letter sounds, children can identify and play with the miniatures, tell stories about them, sort them, play memory games & build vocabulary skills!
- **MATHOLOGY CLASSROOM KIT:** Did you know that last time schools purchased math textbooks was over 20 year ago? Mathology Classroom Kit is a comprehensive set of 100+ easy-to-implement and engaging activities and games to help teachers save time, create meaningful learning experiences, and promote understanding of big ideas in math. Cypress Park would like to purchase 2 kits to share between the classes.

**- SPONSOR TODAY -**

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



VOWEL TEACHING TUBS  
CAD\$225.00

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MATHOLOGY CLASSROOM KIT  
CAD\$750.00

Shop Now



ALPHABET SOUNDS TEACHING TUBS  
CAD\$350.00

Shop Now

## — KINDNESS CORNER —

♥ **THANKS TO ASYA'S FAMILY!** ♥

A big thank you to Asya's Family (Grade 1) for their generous sponsorship of our new item – **The Tuff Tray & Stand!** So far this year, we've been able to raise \$1,470 through [Funding Futures](#).

