

Forest Grove Elementary

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Principal's Message:

Safety

Next PAC Meeting

**Monday November
18th@ 7:00 pm
library**

Please take some time to join other parents to find out more about Forest Grove School, to give your opinions and ideas, and to plan activities to benefit your child.

We have started practicing our drills. We have completed a fire and earthquake drill. We will be practicing a non emergency lock down and an emergency lock down shortly. The refresher helps students and adults know what to do in case of a real emergency. Students' are learning to take the drills seriously and their cooperation throughout these practice sessions is evident.

We need your help in supporting a safe environment for students in the parking lot. Please review the information in the attachment about which parking lot is to be used to drop off students and which parking lot is not. Staff need to be able to get into the parking lots in a quick and efficient way so they can be in the school before the start of the day. This is getting increasingly difficult. The east parking lot has an area for the public to park if they are coming into the school for a meeting. Please do not park there if you are bringing your child to school in your vehicle. Please follow the plan outlined on the next page. Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Also, please remember to observe the speed limits around the school.

Thank you to everyone for completing the student verification form that came to you in September. This provides the school with your current phone numbers and emergency contacts. This is a vital piece of information we require in case of emergencies. If you change your email address, telephone number or address during the year, please let the office know. Thank you for your assistance.



Healthy Schools

Please avoid sending Halloween candy to school for recess snacks. We encourage children to eat healthy snacks at school. Your child can enjoy the Halloween treats at home.



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PAC WISH LIST

The PAC is in need of the following support or donations:

- **A replacement for the Hot lunch Coordinator.** Susan Young will be stepping down from this role as of the New Year but is willing to support and train a new leader. Susan will be greatly missed as she has made HUGE contributions to this school and PAC!!! Without a leader, we will no longer be able to have hot lunch at the school.
- **3-4 large electric Griddles (Approx. 18"x13") for our PAC kitchen.** If you are able to donate a Griddle or would like to donate funds specific for this need we can offer a donation receipt.
- **Donation drive funds.** As of Oct 21, we had raised just over \$3715. Our projected goal was \$6000. These funds are used directly for our kids in each of the classrooms. Teachers are each given a portion of this money that they use towards classroom teaching aids, learning supplies, and to subsidize fieldtrips. This donation drive replaces smaller less profitable fundraisers throughout the year such as cookies, chocolates, poinsettias, etc. Donations can be made through <https://www.schoolcashionline.com/> at any time! Please consider donating if you haven't already. Thank you!
- **Costumes for our mandarin language Arts program**

- **Bottles and cans to the bottle dept.** The grade 7 Grad committee will receive funds if you tell the recycling depots on North road or Kensington you are from Forest Grove and would like to donate your proceeds.



Monster Mash was a Blast!

Our Annual Monster Mash was a huge success. This event was only possible because of the fantastic team behind it. To the MM organization committee and special helpers (Erika Hospina, Megan Bryden, Brenda Nicholas, Michelle Sasaki, Sheila Mclean, Kim Yuen, Michelle Britton, Jason and Michelle Spittel, James and Dylan Elliot) Thank you for your leadership, enthusiasm and time. To all the parents and students that volunteered their time, creative skills, muscle and positive attitudes this event was a success because of you!



Join our next PAC meeting!

If you are a parent at Forest Grove, you are welcome to join us for our monthly PAC meetings. This is a great way to stay up to date about what is happening at your school. Our next meeting will be on **Monday November 18 at 7PM to 9PM**. Childcare is provided. There are no snacks provided for the children, however you are welcome to bring a snack for your own child. Please come and join us!



FAMILY MATH GAMES NIGHT

Nov 18

Forest Grove Gym

5:45-6:45

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Join Forest Grove

Learn some fun and engaging ways to play math games that practice important skills, increase math fact fluency and bring the family together. You'll be introduced to some board games and also have some great ideas to take home. This is for Kindergarten to grade 7 students.

Family Math Night RSVP

Please call the school at 604-296-9026 to indicate your family name, how many people will be attending and your child's grade level.

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Thank you!

Thank you to our PAC and many volunteers that made Monster Mash such an amazing evening!

Teamwork at it's finest. We had parents helping before, during and after the event. We appreciate your dedication. A special thank you to Erika Hospina, Megan Bryden, Michelle Britton, Kim Yen, Brenda Nicholas, Michelle Sasaki, Sheila Mclean and James and Dylan Elliot. Also, we want to express our appreciation to Amanda Kelloway for coordinating the overall event.

Donation for Poppies



Once again, the Royal Canadian Legion is conducting its Annual Poppy Drive. Children may bring in money on November 8th. The Legion has generously provided poppies for all Forest Grove students. Parents and family members are welcome to join us for the assembly

Cross Country

Congratulations to the Cross Country Team on a successful season. The team improved over the short time and represented our school well with a positive attitude and excellent sportsmanship. Thank you to our coaches and sponsor teachers: Ms. Sutton, Ms. Zanette, Ms. Tai, and Ms. Ma. Also, thank you to the parents who helped drive students to the events.

ME 2 WE

Me2We has started off the school year with a bang! November is a busy month for Me2We with Christmas Hampers and We Day. This year 22 students will earn their tickets to We Day on the 19th. Members will be collecting items for our Christmas Hampers for the majority of November. Information will be coming through our communications.

Peanut Aware

Please remember we have students attending Forest Grove School who have life threatening allergies to peanuts. These are in many candies. Please enjoy food with peanut products at home for everyone's safety. We appreciate your assistance!

Lost and Found Items

We have many items in the Lost and Found bin near room 8. Please check here for anything your child may have lost. The items will be cleared at 3:00 on December 20th and donated to a good cause. We appreciate your help with locating your family items.