

# Forest Grove Elementary

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Principal ..... Mrs. Kinder Jones  
Head Teacher.....Mr. David Nussbaumer  
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## Next PAC Meeting

Monday, Oct. 21

at 7:00 pm in the  
Library

Thank you for  
contacting the  
office when your  
child is ill or  
absent from  
school.

If your child is  
late , please have  
them come to the  
office for a late  
slip. We can then  
ensure they have  
been marked as  
late rather than  
absent.

Individual  
student photos  
will be on  
Thursday Oct  
3rd

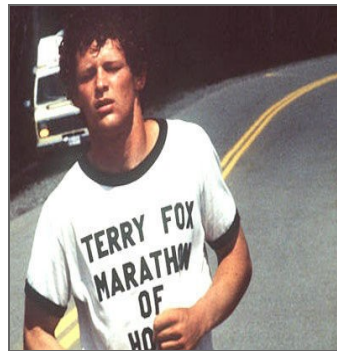
## Terry Fox—Canada's Hero

Principal's Message:

Terry Fox is a Canadian hero. We remembered and honoured Terry Fox on Friday, September 27th. He exemplifies humility, perseverance, courage, empathy and determination. He has inspired generations of young people to set goals and work hard to accomplish their dreams.



We had an assembly and watched footage of Terry running and sharing his battle with cancer. We then walked or ran around the school area to get a small taste of Terry Fox' experience.



Thank you for your generous donations towards cancer research. We collected \$230.

## Orange Shirt Day

On Monday, September 30th, we recognized Orange Shirt Day. This initiative relates to the Reconciliation work that is on going in our country. In some classes the students have begun to learn about the History of Residential Schools. This one day of recognition is just a small part of the learning that happens in the year around Indigenous education. Classes learned about the meaning of this day and did various activities to show their learning.



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### Donation Drive is underway!

Please remember to log in to <https://www.schoolcashionline.com/> to make your donation to the PAC. The Annual Donation Drive will be running until October 31. This event has been started to replace smaller fundraisers throughout the year. We thank you for your support!



### Special thank you to:

All of the wonderful parents that helped cut and hand out oranges, organize, set up for and cheer on the kids for our annual Terry Fox



### Monster Mash is coming!

Mark your calendars for our super fun Monster Mash that will be held on October 25 from 6:00-8:30. Preparations are already underway. If you are interested in helping out with this event please contact the PAC at [forestgrovepac@gmail.com](mailto:forestgrovepac@gmail.com). Events like this are only possible because of our amazing group of parents! More information will be coming out soon!



### 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 October 21 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!

Stay informed! Check out our PAC website at [www.forestgrovepac.com](http://www.forestgrovepac.com)

## Strongstart

Monday to Friday  
Room 12  
9 am to 12 noon

Children from newborn to 5 years old (along with a parent or caregiver) are welcome to participate. Lots of playing, learning and socializing for children and adults.

## School Cash On Line

Please consider this option when paying for any fees associated with the school. It is a safe and easy way to make payments. It can be accessed from the front of our website.

## Westcoast Recess

Fall has arrived and the weather is changing. Please ensure that your child has warm clothing and appropriate gear for the rain (umbrella, boots, hat, rain jacket). Students will go outside for recess rain or shine. Students will only be kept indoors for lunch on days when it is raining or snowing heavily.



## Safety Reminders

Be an example of following the rules by doing these things:

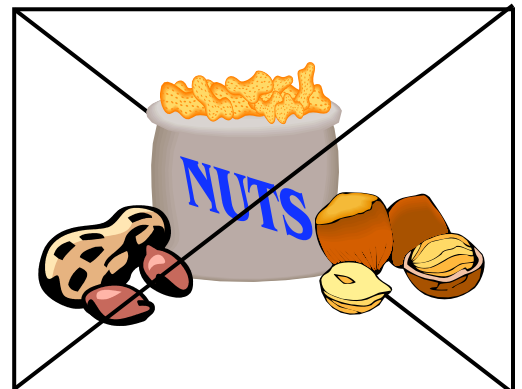
- use the crosswalk (don't jaywalk)
- use the parking area on Forest Grove Drive (not the staff parking)
- no U turns anywhere on Forest Grove Drive near the school
- use the East parking lot as intended. Details are on our web site

Please remember these rules are for everyone's safety!

## Allergy Alert

We believe that all parents would like to be aware that there are Forest Grove students with severe life-threatening food allergies (anaphylaxis) to peanuts and nuts. This is a medical condition that causes severe reaction to specific foods and *can result in death within minutes*.

Although this may or may not affect your child's class directly, we want to inform you so that you may choose to send foods to school with your child that are free from peanut and nut products. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Thank you to the Forest Grove School community for its support with the Scholastic Book Fair that ran the third week of September. The fair was an overwhelming success and the proceeds will go towards buying new resources for our library. Thanks to many intermediate students and parents for their assistance running the fair at lunchtimes and after school.

Special thanks to Kerry O'Donohue who worked at the fair and organized our parent volunteers. Also thank you to our volunteers who included the following: Selena, Michelle, Tracy, Adrienne, Ruby, Meagan, Cindy, Edward, Brenda, Patricia, Alison, Sheila and Bryan.

Thankyou to the parents who supported the Terry Fox Run by preparing the oranges, being at specific spots around our course and marking hands. We appreciate your practical assistance!

A special thank you to Selena Yip for leading the organization of the volunteers and behind the scenes work. Also, thank you to Susan Young for sharing her past experiences of running this event with Selena.

We appreciate all the families who joined us in walking/running the route.

Thank you to all of the parents and guardians who came in for our Parents as Partners meetings. The Forest Grove staff greatly appreciate your insights and support in your child's learning. If you have any more questions, feel free to contact your child's teacher by making an appointment at 604-296- 9026 or by sending a note in the planner. If you missed the interviews, please contact your child's teacher to make another meeting time. It is very important to have this first connection in becoming partners in your child's learning.

District 5040 **Rotary**   
Club of Burnaby Metrotown

To everyone in our school community. This is the 17<sup>h</sup> year of the Rotary Coats For Kids program, and with the new school year upon us, we want to ensure that all children receive warm coats before the cold season is here.

If you can make a donation, it would be greatly appreciated. \$20 purchases a new coat for a child. Cheques will be accepted at the office.

Thank you for your support.

*We are looking for a parent to purchase food for our students who need a snack at recess. This would be a monthly trip to Costco. All purchases would be reimbursed by the school. We are also looking for parents to help with traffic direction. Please contact Ms. Jones at [kinder.jones@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:kinder.jones@burnabyschools.ca) if you are able to help.*

#### FOREST GROVE INTERMEDIATE CHOIR

Tuesday mornings are musical and magical at Forest Grove!

Our choir rehearsals have started up and we are busy preparing for our first performance in November at our Remembrance Day assembly.

A reminder to our choir members that we begin promptly at 8:00 every Tuesday morning. If you have to be away, please let Ms. Lo know.

The choir is open to anyone and everyone in Grades 4-7 who loves singing.