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#### **Quote of the Week**

"Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant."

- Robert Louis Stevenson

**Important Dates** 

Friday, Nov. 27th
Pro D Day

Week of Nov. 30th

Videotaping of Winter "concert"

Thursday, Dec.

<u>17th</u> Informal Reports go home

Friday, Dec. 18th
Last Day before
Winter Break



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## <u>To Be Late, Or Not To Be Late, That is the Question</u> <u>...and There's an Easy Answer</u>

All of us know that getting children up and out the door in the morning is a **blissful** way to start your day...as you enter your child's room at 7:00 a.m. and kiss them on the forehead, they open their eyes, smile, and immediately jump out of bed singing, "Good morning wonderful parent, I'm just going to make myself a healthy breakfast, is there something I can get you?" As you leisurely finish your coffee, your child melodically calls up to

you?" As you leisurely finish your coffee, your child melodically calls up to you, "I brought your lunch downstairs for you and will wait in the car." That's exactly the way it is...right?



OK, maybe not. Maybe it's more like a parent yelling, "OK, you guys better be up, we have to leave in 7 minutes! Toby, bad dog, that's my new shoe! Where are my keys? What do you mean that you have to finish your homework, it's 8:40!?"

Yep, I know it can be difficult to get the kids out the door in the morning, I've got 2 teenage daughters...but the fact that more and more stu-

dents are coming in late each day is getting to be problematic. Not only does it lead to disrupting classes, causes students to miss start up activities and announcements, but it also engrains the idea that being late is OK for those that are chronically late.

Without a doubt, there will be occasions that this cannot be avoided, but it's a chronic issue for far too many students that I'm hoping you can all help with. Thanks for doing your part to ensure students are on time each day.

K. Gurney-Principal

Pro-D Day this
Friday, Nov. 27th
(no school for students)

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#### **Garden Goodies:**

The garden is now tucked into bed for the winter and garlic has been planted for next year thanks to the help of the first set of Garden Club Members: Sally F., Erin C., Bella Z., Audrey F. and Xeniya L.. Special thanks to our two alumni students Casey and Nathan L. who came to help as well!"

#### It's SALSA time!

Our famous Tomatillo Salsa made from ingredients from the school garden is now available to purchase online via <u>Munch A Lunch</u>. Find it on the top banner "Garden Club Salsa Sale"

Please place your orders by Friday November 27, 2020.

Limited supply is available including smaller jars at \$8 and large 500 ml jars at \$12. Funds raised will go towards supporting the School Garden Program.

Chef Barb has recently upgraded her Food Safe Certification to also be COVID Food Safe to ensure proper protocols are in place. Further safety measures will be taken including allowing the packaged jars to be delivered 3 days ahead of the scheduled **Distribution Date of Friday December 4**. Jars will go home with the students to avoid any gathering at the school to pick up.

Thank you for the continued support!

#### Funding Support: THANK YOU FG PAC FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Funding provided by both the FG PAC and TD Friends of the Environment will allow for 17 days for the Seed to Table Program in 2020/2021

Sprouting Chefs has submitted their Community Gaming Grant for 2021/2022 where they will be notified by Feb 2021



### Winter Concert, COVID style:

As you have likely heard, we are still planning on doing a Winter Performance, but due to the fact that we can't invite families into the school to watch, we will be recording it and sending it out to families.

So, starting next week, please ensure

that students come dressed in one of the choices below on the date their class is set to perform (refer to bottom).

**Choice 1: Dresses** - Any winter formal/ performance dress (They must wear black tights underneath).

Choice 2: White shirts, and black pants + Dark coloured shoes + Santa or Reindeer Hats, tuques, scarves (winter accessories)

#### Performance Dates:

- Monday, Nov. 30th = Ms. Shirley and Mr. Nussbaumer Music students, Mr. Li, Ms. Lin, Ms. Sheng, Ms. Driedger, Ms. Ma, & Ms. Sutton/Tiplady
- Tuesday, Dec. 1st = Ms. Lau, Ms. Mackie, Ms. Hsu, & Ms. Howey/Tiplady
- **Wednesday, Dec. 2nd** = Ms. Zanette/Mr. Pickering, Ms. Mitchell, Ms. Howard, & Ms. Blackford
- Thursday, Dec. 3rd = All Band students

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# PAC PRESS

#### THANK YOU!

Our Monster Hunt was a huge success. This event was only possible because of the fantastic team behind it. To the organization committee (Amanda Kelloway, Erika Hospina, Kim Yuen, Sheila Mclean, Kate Andrews and Hong Nguyen) AND Mr. Gurney who worked his longest day ever, Thank You for your leadership, creativity, enthusiasm and time. To all the parents and community members that volunteered their time, supplies, creative skills, muscle and positive attitudes this event was a success because of you!

#### PAC needs your help:

There are some specific areas within the PAC that need your help! Can you volunteer some time (during or outside of school hours)? For more information please email the PAC at <a href="mailto:forestgrovepac@gmail.com">forestgrovepac@gmail.com</a> Our current needs include:

- Members for the Forest Grove spirit t-shirt and Forest Grove recipe book sub-committees
- Helpers to write grant application(s) with Nicole Gladish's guidance



#### Me-n-Ed's Pizza Parlors Fundraiser on Friday, Dec 4th

Me-n-Ed's will generously donate 25% of all delivery, pick-up and dine-in orders (excluding alcohol) by anyone who mentions the Forest Grove Elementary Fundraiser on **Friday. Dec 4th**.

Tell your friends, family, employer - anyone who enjoys a perfectly crafted pizza, topped with quality fresh ingredients & a blend of six real cheeses to order from Me-n-Ed's Pizza Parlors and inform the server/attendant that they wish to support the Forest Grove Elementary Fundraiser. To order by phone for delivery or pickup, call (604) 521-8881 (Burnaby) or (604) 931-2468

(Coquitlam).
Pickup/dine-in at 7110 Hall Ave, Burnaby, BC or 1121 Austin Avenue, Coquitlam, BC.

Visit Me-n-Ed's online at meneds.ca. Online menu available at https://

www.meneds.ca/documents/meneds-inside-menu-8.5x14-ds-may2020.pdf

#### Family Movie Night on Friday, Dec 4th @ 6:30 pm

Our annual holiday family movie night will take place on Zoom this year. Watch the movie on your device via Zoom, or cue up the movie on your own device and just keep Zoom open to interact in the chat about the movie. For tips on how to cast Zoom onto your TV, visit <a href="https://www.lifewire.com/cast-zoom-meeting-to-tv-5072122">https://www.lifewire.com/cast-zoom-meeting-to-tv-5072122</a>

Price: Free.

Register to receive the Zoom link at <a href="https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/forest-grove-elementary-family-movie-night-tickets-130138147703">https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/forest-grove-elementary-family-movie-night-tickets-130138147703</a>

Vote for the movie you want to see on the PAC Facebook Page or website by Nov 30th.

Grade 7 Grad Committee fundraiser - Drop off your bottles and cans at a Return-It depot near you and ask them to donate your proceeds towards our school.



To the Forest Grove Community,

Today the Forest Grove Holiday Cheer Drive has begun!!! Our intention is to put together Holiday Hampers for families that live in our community. Unlike previous years where each class is assigned a "meal time" in order to help us collect a variety of physical food donations, we are focusing on donations that require less sorting, organizing and touching. Due to health and safety restrictions and to minimize touch points, we are requesting that families donate new toys, gift cards or cash. These can be brought to school or donated through the Forest Grove Website starting Nov. 30th.



This is an event that is held to enhance student learning about empathy and caring for others. Although this looks differently this year, we hope that we can continue to support those most in need within our community. Thank you for supporting this event with your donations.



Please send in all new toy, gift card or cash donations no later than December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Below are some suggestions:

GIFT CARDS for WALMART, SUPERSTORE, etc. for grocery stores
CASH DONATIONS to purchase gift cards or to purchase perishable
items

NEW UNWRAPPED TOYS for ages:

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Howey, Ms. Yip or Ms. Howard at the school.

Thank you for your help!

"We are not asked to do great things but, we are asked to do things with greater care."

- Martin Sheen