



ALEXANDER ELEMENTARY
October 2024 Newsletter

Cowichan Monthly Teaching
Ts'iiyulh ch 'u tuni' s-aamustham-mut
(Give thanks for what you have been given)

We gratefully acknowledge that we are learning together on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish People

Alexander Families,

Welcome to October and the start of fall weather and colours. We are off to a fantastic start at Alexander and are very proud of all the work our students and staff have done since the beginning of the school year.

This month, our students have been working hard to complete Literacy and Numeracy assessments. These assessments help our teachers to know the strengths and stretches of our learners and to plan accordingly. In addition to these assessments, Grade 4 and 7 students have begun to work on their Foundational Skills Assessments (FSAs). Well done learners for all of the hard work and commitment to their learning that these tasks take.

In the month of October, students at Alexander have had many opportunities to learn on the land. Many divisions have been able to try spearfishing with the support of our Indigenous Education team and other classes have travelled to Glenora Head Trail Park to walk the trails and learn about colours in Hul'q'umi'num.

Alexander learners continue to amaze us with their Positive, Accepting, Cooperative and Kind ways. Our Wolf Den is filling up and we look forward to celebrating all the students' successes.

Huy tseep q'u

Ann Kissinger – Principal

Brenda Lee – Vice Principal

Alexander Open House – October 24th

Please join us on October 24th from 1:30 to 2:30 for our Alexander Open House. Please come and see your students' classroom and learn about all the amazing things they are doing and discovering. As October is Fire Safety Awareness Month, we will also be drawing names for one lucky family member to win a basket of safety gear!



Dates to Remember

October 23rd – 2 hr. Early Dismissal

October 24th – Alexander Open House

October 25th – Professional Development Day (NO SCHOOL)

November 6th – Photo Retakes

November 8th – Remembrance Day Recognition Ceremony

November 11th – Remembrance Day (NO SCHOOL)

School Supplies 2024-2025

If you have not paid already, we are asking families to contribute thirty dollars (\$30.00) for each student to pay for school supplies. Here are some options for making a payment:

- Cash, Debit/Credit in the office or [School Cash Online](#)

We will ensure each child gets supplies! Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions and would like more information, please email alexanderheadsecretary@sd79.bc.ca.

Immunizations

In B.C., routine immunizations are recommended for children at kindergarten entry (4-6 years of age). If your child has not received their kindergarten immunizations, please contact your local Public Health unit to book an appointment at 250-709-3050*.

For more information about immunization, please go to <https://immunizebc.ca/> or contact your local Public Health unit if you have any questions.

*Students in grade 6 will be offered immunizations in school-based clinics with the consent of a parent/guardian/representative.



Water Only Initiative

After SIX amazing and successful years of celebrating “Water Only,” we want to carry forward to healthy initiative! Please save juice boxes, energy drinks, and soda pops for at home.

To celebrate Wolf PACK Wednesday, we will provide all students with a water bottle again this year.



We look forward to a fantastic year together! Please do not hesitate to reach out to the office if you have any questions or concerns.

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