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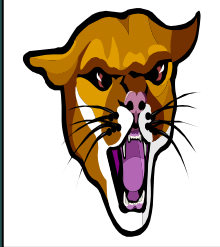
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Principal  
David A'Bear

PAC Chair:  
Katherine Botelho

## Dates to Remember

**Fri. Oct 28**

PAC Movie Night  
Doors open at 5:30 pm

**Mon. Oct 31**

Halloween Parade  
9:00 a.m.

**Wed. Nov 2**

Photo Retakes

**Fri. Nov 4**

Pro-D Day  
No School

**Wed. Nov 9**

Remembrance Day  
Assembly 10:40 am

**Thu. Nov 10**

Pro-D Day  
No School

**Fri. Nov 11**

Remembrance Day  
School Closed

**Fri. Nov 18**

Cross Country  
Pancake Breakfast

At Crescent Park we C.A.R.E. (cooperate/contribute; be accountable; respect ourselves, others and the environment; excel by trying our best) and we use our W.I.T.S. (walk away, ignore, talk it out, seek help) to solve our problems!

### Principal's Message:

I am looking forward to our Annual Costume parade this coming up Monday at 9:00 am. All parents are welcome to attend this fun event. Just a reminder that masks and toy replica weapons should be kept at home. As part of our Halloween celebrations, students are also invited to show off their creativity by participating in our pumpkin contest. We will have separate prizes for each division and a bonus prize for most creative pumpkins. Please remember that pumpkins do not need to be carved; we are simply looking for creativity. Please bring your pumpkins in on Monday morning and make sure your pumpkin has a label with your name, division and grade on it. The pumpkins will be displayed on the gym stage during the Halloween parade.

Our Cross Country team had a great season with approximately 60 students participating. Thank you to all the teachers and parents for supporting a great cross country season. There is a Cross Country Wrap-Up Pancake Breakfast on Friday, November 18. The cost for breakfast is a toonie. Food will be served from 7:45 am to 8:15 am. Hope to see you there.

Volleyball season began this past week. Please see all practice days and on our school website.

As mentioned in the notice sent home last week, Learning Conferences are being held today. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to see how their child is progressing and for the child to set some learning goals moving forward. These types of learning conferences were piloted in some classes last year as part of the shifts in assessment but this experience will still be new for some. Please remember that you are more than welcome to contact teachers at any time to book an appointment to discuss your child's progress in a private setting.

While November is a busy month of learning, there are also many important dates that you need to be aware of. Please refer to the *Dates to Remember* for school closures. As always, please make sure to check the school website, which is updated weekly.

### Non-Instructional Days

Our next non-instructional days are **Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>** and **Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup>**. The school is also closed on **Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**.



**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**  
**Tuesday, November 1st to Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> (3:00)**  
**In the library**

A reminder that the Scholastic Book Fair is next week. Book sales run Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> (until 3:00). The Fair is open during the entire school day, including recess, lunch, and for half an hour after school. Students will have a chance to visit the book fair and have a look at the books available during their class's trip to the library. They can also buy a book at that time, if they like, or write down a wish list to bring home, or just browse.

If you have concerns about sending your child to school and/or to the book fair with money, it would be best for parents to come with them during recess, lunch or after school, or during scheduled time for the class (if possible), or at least have a conversation with your child about what they should be purchasing during their class visit. There will be some non-book items for sale as well but we strongly encourage you to speak with your child about purchasing an educationally sound item versus something that may be considered a toy. If you'd like to donate a book to the library, there will be some great ones on display!

If you would like to volunteer at the book fair either before recess, after recess, or after lunch, please email Mrs. Bonn at [bonn\\_m@surreyschools.ca](mailto:bonn_m@surreyschools.ca) with your day and time of choice. Of course you are welcome to sign up more than once if you like.

A reminder that clocks fall back one hour on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 am.

## Halloween Parade

A team of grade 7's has been busy organizing the Halloween parade this year. Dressed up children will be invited to parade in their costumes at **9:00 a.m.** in the gym on **Monday, October 31**. Students will sing a few songs before returning to their individual classroom where more Hallowe'en activities will await. If you want to join us for the parade, please feel free to do so. You might even want to dress up too!



## Halloween

With Hallowe'en just around the corner, this is the time that fireworks start to appear on the streets and around schools. Students should be reminded that fireworks and firecrackers **are not to be brought to school**. Surrey By-law 4200 prohibits the use of fireworks by students under the age of 18. Your assistance in this regard is appreciated.

Please also remember that replica weapons are not allowed on school property and should not be included with student costumes.

## Terry Fox Run

All students took part in the run on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at Crescent Park. Our school raised a total of **\$2300.00**. On behalf of the Terry Fox Foundation, we thank you.



## Volleyball

### Volleyball Season has started!

Grade 6 and 7 Girls will be practicing on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 7:50-8:30 a.m. Girl's games will be on Thursday after school.

Grade 6 and 7 boys will be practicing on Mondays and Wednesdays after school. Boys games will be on Wednesday after school.



## Hot Lunch

Just a reminder, if your child is going to be away on a Wednesday when hot lunch is served, and you would like to pick up your child's hot lunch at the school, please contact the hot lunch team at [hotlunch@crescentparkpac.com](mailto:hotlunch@crescentparkpac.com) before 10:00 a.m. to make arrangements for pick up.

Dear Neighbour,

**Re: Safe Schools Halloween Initiative**

As you know, Halloween is approaching. I am writing to request whatever assistance you can provide to help us keep our schools and neighbourhood from being vandalized.

In the last school year, the Surrey School District took close to **\$362,685.01** out of its budget (our taxes) to repair acts of vandalism. This money could have supported our students in many different ways. The Surrey School Board remains focused on reducing this expense.

While we do our best to educate young people to convince them of the senselessness of vandalism, we are also looking for other ways to deter vandalism on our schools and in the area. One approach is to enlist our neighbours' help to watch for anyone "hanging around" our schools, particularly after dark on Halloween.

For many years, the school district has organized patrols of district staff (including trustees) in which small groups take shifts of an hour or two to walk around the grounds of the school. This small effort does a great deal to deter youth from even approaching our schools.

Please help us out by keeping your eyes and ears open to any activity at our schools and don't hesitate to notify us if you notice people milling about. If there is obvious, active vandalism taking place, please immediately notify police by calling 9-1-1. We also welcome your call to a special Surrey School District phone number set-up for Halloween at **778-328-7751** to report any suspicious activity so a security patrol can be dispatched.

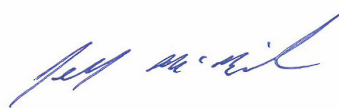
School vandalism affects our entire neighbourhood. Defaced walls or damaged property can be seen by everyone. News reports about such activity generate a public perception about our neighbourhood. Vandals allowed to congregate at a school typically spread their activities to neighbouring homes and vehicles. Vandals frequently choose to return and congregate where they have not encountered any deterrents in the past.

***Please join us as we demonstrate to vandals that they are not welcome at our schools, or in our neighbourhood!***

Thank you for your help.



Rob Rai  
Director, School & Community Connections



Jeff McMillan  
Manager, Security/Infrastructure

# INCREDIBLE ME!



A “**six session**” Children’s ANXIETY group focusing on ...  
Teaching children better ways to manage their WORRIES AND FEARS

***Tuesdays ... 3 – 4:45 pm***

***Location: Jessie Lee Elementary School***

*2064 154 street, Surrey, BC*

***Upcoming group dates are...***

***Nov. 8-Dec. 13 2016 (age 8-10)***

***Jan. 17-Feb. 21 2017 (5-7)***

***March 28-May 2 2017 (8-10)***

***May 9-June 13 2017 (age to be determined)***

***Registration is needed as space is limited***

***No Fees***

To register or for more information

Please call Heather McDonald at **Sources**

**604 541 5053**

This group is being provided by ...  
White Rock/South Surrey Child and Youth Mental Health & Sources Community Resource Centre,



## **Crescent Park Elementary Annex**

*A creative, engaging and activity-based early learning opportunity for preschoolers of the Crescent Park community*

Parents and caregivers of pre-school aged children are invited to come and enrich their child's learning through a variety of play-based activities.

Together we invite children to wonder, invent and explore the beauty of the world around them as we:




- Build positive peer relationships
- Promote social, emotional and intellectual development
- Develop and enrich oral language

Amidst the beauty and inspiration of the Crescent Park Annex environment, the program will seek to use this unique site as a source of inspiration, adventure and delight as well as a home and companion for all young learners.

**Program Hours: Tuesday / Thursday - 9:00 am - 11:00 am**  
**OPENING - Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

For information please call Crescent Park Elementary School at 604-535-9101

# November 2016

| Sunday   | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday |
|--|--------|---------|---|--|---|----------|
| 30   | 31     | 1       | 2<br>Photo Retakes<br> | 3  | 4<br>Non-Instructional Day<br>School not in Session   | 5        |
| 6<br> | 7      | 8       | 9<br>Remembrance Day Assembly<br>10:40  | 10<br>Non-Instructional Day<br>School not in Session | 11<br>Remembrance Day<br><br>Lest We Forget.<br>School Closed | 12       |
| 13   | 14     | 15      | 16  | 17   | 18<br>Cross Country<br>Pancake<br>Breakfast @<br>7:45 am  | 19       |
| 20   | 21     | 22      | 23  | 24   | 25  | 26       |
| 27   | 28     | 29      | 30  |  |   |          |

