# Bridge Week-of-o-Glonce

October 23rd - 27th, 2023







Monday 23	
Tuesday 24	
Wednesday 25	
Thursday 26	PAC Hot Lunch – Fusion Feast - Pre-Orders only
<b>Friday</b> 27	PAC Halloween Howl 6:00-8:30pm

### Thank you, PAC!

family event.

Thank you to our amazing PAC who have funded and organized **outdoor play equipment** for each of our classrooms. We know our students will be excited to use these treasures during recess and lunchtime play!

We are also looking forward to the PAC sponsored Halloween Howl on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30pm. Check out the poster at the end of this newsletter for more information. We hope you can join us for this fun



## "Trick or Treat" Others with Respect

Halloween should and needs to be fun; however, we need to be aware that celebrating Halloween needs to be fun for all. Halloween offers an opportunity to have meaningful conversations about costume choices with students and adults and requires consideration. It is important to keep in mind that we need to be sensitive to groups that have been marginalized through mimicry and cultural appropriation during Halloween and other 'dress up' events.

#### It's good to keep in mind that the following are NOT costumes:

**RACE** (black face/brown face) **CULTURE** (Indigenous regalia/dreadlocks)

**RELIGIOUS FAITH** (religious figures/gods/saints/gurus/hijab)

GENDER (gender switching for humour or to mock)

TRAUMA (hangman's noose/weapons)



## Feeding Futures School Program Fund

Recently, the provincial government announced a new Feeding Futures School Program Fund, designed to assist schools in the development and enhancement of school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students. If you would like to request support for your child at school, please reach out to Karen Lin, Principal at klin@sd38.bc.ca

We are gathering information and look to provide ongoing support wherever possible. Implementation plans are underway, and we want to ensure families are aware, and as always, able to reach out if they require support. All requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with families to ensure that your children have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

## Outdoor Ed at the Cheakamus Centre

Our Grade 7 students had a wonderful time last week, even with a bit of rain, during their Outdoor Education Experience. Thank you to Ms. Lai, Mr. Gill, Mr. Tubajon and Mme Canas for accompanying them for the three days. We will be sending home some reflections and photos to our Grade 7 families soon.

# Here and there at Bridge...

# Grades 6 and 7 students with Mr. Keenlyside:

As one classroom in one city in one small part of Canada, we humbly submit our contribution towards reconciliation: an exploration of the language of the people of this land - Halkomelem - the very same language which was once condemned.

"Education is the key to reconciliation. Education got us into this mess, and education will get us out of it." - Murray Sinclair



## **Superintendent Visit**

We were thrilled to welcome our School District's new Superintendent, Mr. Chris Usih, to Bridge for a tour of the school. He happened to be here during an exciting time – The Cardboard Challenge – and was able to meet and speak with students, staff and family visitors while also enjoying several of the student projects.



## **Mark Your Calendars:**

Halloween – safe costumes welcome Tuesday, October 31 Thursday, November 2 PAC Hot Lunch - Sushi Lovers - Pre-Orders only French Dance Workshop for Divisions 5, 6, 7 Friday, November 3 Tuesday, November 7 Photo Retake Day Kindergarten Hearing Screening Wednesday, Nov. 8 Thursday, November 9 PAC Hot Lunch - Pizza Hut - Pre-Orders only Friday, November 10 Remembrance Day Assembly Monday, November 13 Schools Closed for Remembrance Day Tuesday, November 14 Safety Drill Thursday, November 16 Grade 7 Bottle Fundraiser – 8:45am drop-off Thursday, November 16 PAC Hot Lunch – Bar Burrito - Pre-Orders only Friday, November 17 Will et Seeka – French Cultural Performance Tuesday, November 21 PAC Meeting via Teams at 6:45pm Thursday, November 23 PAC Hot Lunch – Fusion Feast - Pre-Orders only Wednesday, Nov. 29 Grades 6 and 7 Immunizations Thursday, November 30 TCO2 Presentation for Grades 4-7 PAC Hot Lunch - Pizza Hut - Pre-Orders only Thursday, November 30 Pro-D Day – schools not in session Friday, December 1 Wednesday, Dec. 6 Safety Drill Thursday, December 7 PAC Hot Lunch - Sushi Lovers - Pre-Orders only Friday, December 8 First Day of Hanukkah Thursday, December 14 PAC Hot Lunch – Bar Burrito - Pre-Orders only Friday, December 15 Report Cards published in MyEd for families Thursday, December 21 Grade 7 Bottle Fundraiser – 8:45am drop-off Thursday, December 21 PAC Hot Lunch – Fusion Feast - Pre-Orders only Friday, December 22 Last Day of School before the Winter Break Monday, December 25 **Christmas Day** Monday, January 8 First Day of School after the Winter Break

#### **Canadian Islamic History Month**

October is Canadian Islamic History Month which gives us an opportunity to learn about the diversity of people who follow the Islamic faith, recognize their contributions, and honour the rich history of Islam.



Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm — 8:30pm

# HALLOWEEN HOWL 2023

\$5 per person or \$20 per family (cash only & parent must accompany children at all times)

Pre-Order your food from Munch-A-Lunch by midnight Thursday Oct. 19th

Join us in the Gym for Prizes & Dancing plus visit the Spooky Hallway for some spooky fun!

Popcorn | Candy Bags | Pizza | Drinks

