



WEEK AT A GLANCE				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Choir Practice	Breakfast Club 8:15-8:30 Halloween Activities	Hot Lunch Krispy Kreme Donut Pick Up

October 24th, 2024

Hello Currie families

This week we will had our first Learning Updates (Conferences) of the school year. It was wonderful to see so many families in the building, collaborating with their child's teacher for a successful year of learning. If you were not able to meet with your child's teacher this week, please reach out to them to make an appointment.

Please see below for some important information and upcoming dates.

Halloween:

Our staff are planning a day of fun and learning for Oct. 31st! Please see the information below:

Pumpkin Carving

On **Thursday, October 31st**, all General Currie students will be participating in a <u>school-wide pumpkin carving activity</u>. This activity will take place in the morning between recess and lunch in the gym.



Students are asked to bring the following:

 One small CLEANED OUT PUMPKIN on Thursday October 31st. Do not bring your pumpkins earlier than Wednesday the 30th.

Please clean the pumpkin out from the **BOTTOM**, so that it is easy to place the pumpkin on top of string lights. Students must be able to carry their own pumpkin to and from school by themselves.

 Please only send a child-friendly, proper pumpkin carving tool (pictured below). These can be bought at most dollar stores.
NO KNIVES OR PROFESSIONAL CARVING TOOLS ARE TO BE BROUGHT TO SCHOOL!



<u>Please label the pumpkin with your child's name and divi-</u> sion number on a piece of tape.

<u>Costume Guidelines</u>

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in their costumes on October 31st. Wearing costumes is completely optional, but should your child choose to wear one, we do have guidelines to remind you of so that we can all have a fun and safe day.

Leave masks and replica weapons that may go with your costumes at home. Masks can be scary, and difficult to see or breathe out of and weapons are never allowed to be brought to school.

Students will still be expected to go out for recess to get some fresh air and exercise, so they should be able to move freely and play in their costumes. **Parent and caregivers are invited to come see our parade of costumes (or join in the parade!) Outside, at 9:10 a.m.**

Thank you for supporting our fall community-building plans. It will be a fun day of supporting each other and building connections amongst students. Please let us know if you have any questions.

PAC News:

PAC Purdy's Holiday Fundraiser 2024 Our Purdys Fundraiser begins....NOW!

Go get your chocolates:

https://fundraising.purdys.com/821961-120873

Stock up on your favorite Purdys treats for your family, friends and colleagues AND support a great cause at the same time—it's the best of both worlds. All fundraising profit raised will directly support General Currie Elementary so every order makes a great difference to us!

Ordering is as easy as eating chocolate. Just click this link <u>https://</u> <u>fundraising.purdys.com/821961-120873</u>,

enter campaign number - **40486**, fill out your info you'll need an email address, name and phone number, click "Join Campaign" and order to your heart's content!

The order deadline is November 25, 2024; so, get shopping!

Parent Education Sessions:

The Richmond School District is excited to offer the following parent education sessions during the 2024/25 school year:

- Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying
- Cellphones: What's Healthy, What's Not, and What We Can Do to Support Our Kids
- Reclaiming Play: Revitalizing Childhood to Combat Anxiety and Aggression
- Cybersafe from Exploitation

These virtual sessions are open to all parents in the Richmond School District and will provide practical strategies, expert insights, and tools to support your child's well-being in the digital age. Please see below for detailed descriptions of each session and registration information. We look forward to your participation!

Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying

Presented by Steven MacDonald November 13, 2024 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

As a parent/guardian, you lead the charge as a digital role model. Help your child develop a strong digital citizenship foundation while reminding them that their digital tattoo reflects their real and online selves. Parents/guardians have an important role to play in providing support and guidance during critical periods. A snapshot of current trends and concerning apps will be provided to equip you in your digital parenting strategy.

Click here to register

Important Dates:

Oct. 25th: Pro D Day (No School for students) Oct. 31st: Halloween (please see information above) Nov. 1st: Pre-ordered Hot Lunch Nov. 1st: Krispy Kreme Donut pick up Nov. 1st: Remembrance Day Assembly at 11:00 a.m. Nov. 14th: Photo Re-takes Nov. 15th: Pre-ordered Hot Lunch Nov. 21st: Movie night Nov. 25th: Pro D Day- no school for students Nov. 29th: Pre-ordered Hot Lunch

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the office at 604-668-6440 or email me at shoffinger@sd38.bc.ca

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