

Cawston School Courier







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November Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Interior Health Vision Screen – Kindergarten	3	4	5 Donations for PAC Basket Raffle due.	6
7 Time falls back 	8	9 PAC meeting 7:00 	10 Remembrance Assembly - 9:15	11 Remembrance Day - no school 	12	13
14	15 Mid-month newsletter & PAC special meal order forms sent home.	16	17	18	19 PAC Popcorn Day! \$1.00 a bag. 	20
21	22	23	24	25 Report Cards home 	26 PAC Special Meal Day 	27
28	29	30	Coming in December: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Concert – December 15 (afternoon performance) • Christmas Concert – December 16 (morning and evening performance) • Last Day Before the Holidays – December 17 			

Attached to this Newsletter:

November Meal Program Envelope
StrongStart Calendar / CAPC Calendar

November Meals

Nov. 4 Pizza Pop, Green Salad & Baby Carrots, Fruit
 Nov. 11 Remembrance Day, No School
 Nov. 18 Lasagna, Caesar Salad, Fruit
 Nov. 25 Soft Shell Beef Taco (with lettuce & cheese), Fruit

Coming in November



Remembrance Assembly

You are welcome to join us for our Remembrance Assembly on Wednesday, November 10 at 9:15 a.m. Mr. Bridgman and Mr. Fairbrother's classes, and the Cawston School Choir will be doing presentations at the assembly. We will also be joined by members of our local Legion.

Poppies will be available for our students. Please consider sending a small donation for the Legion poppy collection.

Remembrance Day

Please note - there is no school on Thursday, November 11 - Remembrance Day.

Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home with students on Thursday, November 25. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress right now, please contact your child's teacher and have a discussion.

Popcorn Day

Our second PAC Popcorn Day will be Friday, November 19. Popcorn will be sold at 12:30 for \$ 1.00 a bag. Thanks to the PAC parents who provide this treat for our CPS students.

PAC Basket Raffle

We have extended the date for donations for the PAC basket that is being assembled in your child's classroom until Friday, November 5. Donations are very slow to come in; please help us make this raffle a success. Our mid-month October newsletter had all the details - please call the school if you need any information. The baskets will be on display throughout the community in November and early December and you may purchase tickets at any of the participating businesses. Draws for the baskets will be made during our Christmas Concerts in December. But first, we need your donations to make up the baskets. All proceeds (every penny) made on the basket raffle will go directly into our new playground fund.

Basket Themes:

- Mrs. Reichl/Ms Kguger - Crafts
- Mrs. Brunton/Mrs. Nunes/ Mrs. Keyes-Coffee/Chocolate
- Mr. Lucich/ Miss Martin - Webkins/Birthday Party
- Mrs. Bews/ Miss Webster - Gardening
- Mr. Fairbrother/ Mr. Bridgman - Everything Christmas
- StrongStart - Family

PAC Meeting

We will have our next PAC meeting on Tuesday, November 9 at 7:00 p.m. The agenda will include our Christmas Basket Raffle, PAC Special Meal Day and other items. All parents are welcome to join us.

It is very exciting to know that our PAC has raised almost enough money to build our second, smaller-sized playground. We have been working towards this project for two years.

PAC Special Meal Day

Our PAC is once again going to host a special meal day on the last Friday of the month. The meal for November will be from Subway. Order envelopes will be sent home with our mid-month newsletter on Monday, November 15.

Keeping Us Informed

Please keep us up-to-date - contact the office if you change your address or phone number. It is very important that we have this information in case of a medical or other emergency.



Colder Weather/ Warm Clothes

Parents - as the weather turns colder, please remind your children to bring a warm jacket, mitts and a hat to school each day. The children play outside before school, at recess and at noon hour and they need warm, outer wear.

Jumpstart Program

Canadian Tire is offering to help students in our District pay registration and/or equipment costs for organized sports as well as organized group activities. The Jumpstart program will pay up to \$ 200.00 of a student's registration fee or contribute the same amount to help pay for equipment. This program is intended to help students who, without this financial assistance, would probably not be able to participate in organized sports or activities (e.g. soccer, hockey, karate, gymnastics, Brownies, Cadets etc). If you would like to register your child in the Jumpstart program or if you would like more information, please contact Ms. Thiel at the office. The deadline for applications is November 13. Last year, several Cawston Primary School families received these funds.

Thank You

We extend a huge Sunflower THANK YOU to all the families who have donated fruit to our school. Thanks to your generosity we have been able to offer apples and/or pears to our students every day for a recess snack. What a great healthy snack for us to be able to have available for our students!

Be Polite

Our High Five focus for November is "Be Polite". All classes will do activities and have class discussions about what it means to "be polite". Miss Martin's Grade 2 and 3 class will do the bulletin board and offer suggestions on how to "Be Polite" on our morning announcements.

Thank you to Mrs. Keyes' Grade 1 class for their "Be Safe" suggestions that we used on the morning announcements and in our class lessons on safety during the month of October. Our High Five lessons are part of the curriculum we use to teach social responsibility at Cawston School.





A Look Back at October



Fire Prevention Assembly

On Monday, October 4, the Keremoes Volunteer Fire Department arrived in full fire fighting gear with their fire trucks for a fire drill. Following the fire drill, we had an assembly where the firefighters, led by Melanie Bagley, talked with the students about fire safety and prevention. All students also got a close up look at the fire trucks and the equipment used by the Keremoes Fire Department. Students from the Lower Similkameen Band School also joined us for our fire drill and assembly.

This year the fire department had a draw for two stuffed toy Dalmatian dogs, the fire department mascot. The lucky winners were Jeremy Haynes and Katie Squakin. We want to say a special Sunflower thank you to Mr. Jordie Bosscha and the Keremoes Fire Department for taking time from their busy lives to come and discuss fire safety with our students.



Harvest Assembly

Our annual Harvest Assembly was held on Friday, October 8. We were entertained by Mrs. Bews, Miss Webster, Mrs. Keyes and Mrs. Brunton/Mrs. Nunes' classes. We also had a couple "audience participation" items and a good discussion with the students about things we can be thankful for.

We ended the assembly with our usual draws for pumpkin pies and a Van Diemen's turkey. The lucky pie winners were: Jashona Allison, Mikaia Larmour, Harlin Sidhu, Jack Weber, David Claus, Elijah Rabe, Landen Klippenstein, Kiarah Klippenstein, Zoe Vriends and Angie Reinhart. The very happy winner of the turkey was Logan Anderson Fraser. We all had a good laugh because Logan's little brother, Lincoln, won the turkey last year. What a lucky family!

Walk to School Day

Wednesday, October 6 was our annual "Walk to School" day. Everyone met at Kobau Park and walked to school together. The weather was perfect (warm and sunny) and we had a great walk back to the school. "Walk to School" day is one of the activities we do as part of our Physical Education/Healthy Living curriculum. We were one of hundreds of schools across the province that "walked" to school on October 6.



District Cross Country Run

Thirty-two Grade 1 to 4 students from Cawston School participated in the District Cross Country Run at Tuc-el-Nuit Elementary in Oliver on October 5. Special congratulations to the following students for their excellent top 10 placements in their age categories:

Hannah Shore - 1st
 Levi Carter - 1st
 Rylee Demchuck - 2nd
 Marc Peron - 2nd
 Yan Peron - 2nd
 Brody Yamamoto - 3rd
 Cassandra Gibbs - 3rd
 Gabby Campen - 3rd
 Allyn Deakin - 4th
 Tyson Douangpanya - 6th
 Amy Lucich - 7th
 Noah Gumpert - 7th
 Riley Franklin - 8th
 Jade Demchuck - 8th
 Simone Wilkinson - 9th
 Carter Thompson - 10th



Thank you to Mr. Fairbrother and Miss Webster for coaching our cross country team - they did great! Way to Go Sunflowers!!

Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences

Thank you to all our families who came to conferences October 26 and 28. We hope you found the conferences interesting and informative. If you have not yet had an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher, please call the school and set up a time. When home and school work together, great things happen for children.

Book Fair

Kudos to Mrs. Lucich and her dedicated group of parent volunteers for providing us all with our fall Book Fair. It was very successful - families got lots of new books to read at home and we made over \$2,000.00 which will be used to buy books for our school library. Aiden Lusted was the lucky winner of the door prize; he won \$25.00 worth of books for himself and \$25.00 worth of books for his Kindergarten classroom.

A Sunflower bouquet of thanks to the following parents who helped out at the Book Fair: Naomi Ety, Delanda Douangpanya, Shannon Beglaw, Annette Riegling, Sheryl Hare and Alishan Driediger. Thanks also to our StrongStart facilitator, Lynda Alkestrup for her help.

