



RICHARDSON REPORTER

Caring for Ourselves - Caring for Others - Caring for this Place

This Week's Important Dates

Monday, Oct. 28 - Purdy's orders due

Wednesday, Oct. 30 - PAC Pumpkin Carving

Wednesday, Oct. 30 - Photo Retakes

Thursday, Oct. 31 - Halloween and Diwali

Friday, November 1 - Diwali Celebration

Friday, November 1 - Spirit Wear Orders Due



Richardson Updates

October has gone by very quickly! We have had a very busy month, with several opportunities. We are pleased to have enjoyed the start of Grade 6 and 7 volleyball and our Delta Firefighters came to speak to our primary students about fire safety last week. It was also great to meet with families last week to discuss student progress during Parent Conferences. This week, we are very much looking forward to Halloween and Diwali events, and spending some time celebrating together.

We wish all of our families a Happy Halloween and a Happy Diwali!

Sincerely,
Ms. T. Doukas Mrs. M. Hope

PAC Pumpkin Carving Contest

On Thursday, students can bring their carved pumpkins to the multipurpose room between 8:30 and 8:55am. PAC helpers will be there to assist. Please pick up pumpkins after school from 3-3:15pm.

Halloween

On Thursday, October 31st, students are invited to come to school already dressed in costume in the morning. They can remain in costume all day. Please consider those individuals for whom Halloween is very scary. Costumes are very welcome, but weapons, replica weapons or objects that can be mistaken as such must be left at home. Very scary masks are not permitted. Costumes must not contain any words or images that could be offensive to others, and students must dress in a manner that is appropriate for and respects the learning environment of the school.

Please be sure any costume worn is easy to manage for your child, and comfortable enough to take part in school activities. Classes will be planning a variety of

Upcoming Events

Friday, November 8 - 11:00am:
Remembrance Day Assembly

Monday, November 11 -
Remembrance Day: School Closed

Monday, November 25 - Pro-D
Day: School Closed



Thank you! Merci!

For helping students to choose safe, appropriate and easy-to-manage Halloween costumes!

For supporting our school spirit wear initiative!

For coming to school and meeting with teachers during Parent Conferences!

activities, that may or may not include snacks and treats. Please consider the children that have food allergies, and refrain from sending items that include nuts or other allergens. For more specific information, please contact your child's teacher.

In the morning, classes will be taking part in our annual Halloween parade and attending a short assembly for students only.

Diwali

All students are invited to wear their best dress, traditional or party clothes on Friday, November 1st for Diwali. Classes will be taking part in Rangoli art in the morning activity and we will be holding a "Celebration of Culture" assembly at 1 pm. Students and community members will share a little about Diwali and showcase their dancing skills. Families are invited to join us for the assembly at 1pm.

Photo Retakes

This Wednesday afternoon, photo retakes will be available for students. If you would like your child to have a photo retake, or if they never had a school photo taken in September, please send them to school (if possible) with the proof sheet as there is a QR code on the back of the card.

Raven Spirit Wear-Orders Due Friday!

Last week, we shared our newly designed school spirit wear, that is now available to order in youth and adult sizes. Please see the order form attached with this newsletter, or come by the office to pick up a paper copy. We can accept cash or cheque for payment of these orders. The last day for ordering will be Friday, Nov. 1. We can't wait to see our Richardson Ravens sporting their new Raven clothing!



Ravens Code of Conduct - Parent Survey

We are seeking parent input to create our new Ravens Code of Conduct. We have a framework based on the core ideas of taking care of ourselves, taking care of others, and taking care of this place. (Please watch for French editions to be shared very soon). Now, we are starting to think about filling in the spaces. At school, we will be asking students for their ideas, and we would also like to invite parents to also share your thoughts in the survey. This is a great opportunity to talk to students about positive behaviour, and we welcome your ideas. Here is the link to the Ravens Code of Conduct - Parent Survey:

<https://forms.gle/G9vzduKLGX4bRHA7>

Thank you! We look forward to hearing from our families.

Volleyball

Our Grade 6 and 7 students began their volleyball season last week, and many of our students have chosen to join our volleyball teams. They have represented our school with great pride so far, and are working hard to learn the fundamental skills of the game. Thanks to our staff coaches and parent supporters for helping to make this experience happen!

Purdy's Fundraiser-Orders Due Today!

Today is the last day to order Purdy's. If you would like to support our school by purchasing some sweet treats, please go to the link below:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1978390-120243>

Movie Night

Thank you to our PAC for hosting a successful Movie Night. This community event brings students and families together in a different way, and the extra opportunity for connection is much appreciated!

Remembrance Day Assembly

On Friday, November 8, we will be hosting our annual Remembrance Day assembly. Families are invited to join us in the gym for this special event at 11:00. Seating will be limited and available on a first come, first served basis. For families with accessibility needs, please contact the school office for assistance.

Families Experiencing Hardship

If any families are requiring support, please reach out to our school office in confidence. Ms. Doukas and Mrs. Hope welcome any requests for support.

******* Parent Advisory Council (PAC) *******

All Richardson parents are automatically members of the PAC, and all are welcome to come to PAC meetings and events. If you would like to be added to the PAC mailing list and receive communications from PAC, please send an email directly to richardsonelementarypac@gmail.com. Please volunteer if possible!