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School Newsletter- November 2017

Hello/Bonjour Panorama Heights Families,

At the end of this month you will be receiving the first term report card for your child/children. We will be using a new district template this year (a few teachers piloted it in June). If you have any questions about your child's progress please contact the classroom teacher directly.

One focus of the new curriculum is for students to reflect more on their own learning. Please take some time to talk to your child about his/her learning and discuss the comments in this section of the report card. Being a self-reflective learner allows students to be more engaged and have richer learning experiences.

We hope you are as proud of your child's efforts this term as we are!

Ms. Yu

SCHOOL GOAL

For students, parents and staff of our community to build relationships by actively listening and supporting each other.

Last month we learned about active listening or whole body listening. Some things to consider when you are helping your own kids:

- Direct eye contact can be difficult, overwhelming or intimidating (or physically painful). It's possible to hear what is being said even if they are not looking directly at you.
- Some people need to move their body to stay regulated, attend and feel comfortable. If they are moving they can still listen and may be able to learn better.
- A great sensory strategy is deep breathing. Ask your child to take a deep breath with you to help him/her focus. I use the sentence "Breathe in like you're smelling the most beautiful flower in the world and breath out like you're blowing out a birthday candle."



TRAFFIC/Drive Thru

The fire inspector has been at our school and has warned us to keep the drive thru clear. It is a fire lane and needs to be accessible by fire trucks. Please...**NO PARKING IN THE DRIVE THRU**. Thank you!



BOOK FAIR – THANK YOU!

Thank you so much to the Panorama community for supporting yet another successful Scholastic Book Fair!!

We raised a total of \$1857.22 for our school library to purchase wonderful new books and resources for our children to learn from and enjoy for years to come. Also a big thank you to all our parent volunteers who helped our Book Fair become such a wonderful success!

CONFLICT AT SCHOOL?

If your child is experiencing conflict with another student, please encourage him/her to report it to an adult to get assistance. You can also be in touch with the classroom teacher for help. We cannot have parents speaking directly to other people's kids.

NEW PROGRAM OF CHOICE APPLICATION PROCESS

Please pass this along to parents with children starting Kindergarten in September 2018....

This year there will be some changes to the K programs of choice application. **All** K programs of choice applications must be done online between January 18th, starting at 8am and January 24th, ending at 4pm. The link to the application will be on the district website.

Kindergarten children with siblings in a program of choice must apply online like all other new K's. This is a new practice. Failure to apply through the online process will result in a K student **not** being eligible for the program of choice.

Parents are encouraged to attend the information nights (date will be in the local paper and on the district website).



REMEMBRANCE DAY

You are invited to join us for our Remembrance Day Assembly on Thursday, Nov 9th at 11am.

Please see some of these reminders about appropriate etiquette:

- *No applause*
- *Hats Off*
- *If you are late please enter at the next available break in the program*
- *Calm crying babies in the hallway*

Each student will be given a poppy and we will suggest a donation of a \$1 or \$2 which will be collected from Mon Nov 6th until Thu Nov 9th.

We will also be asking those students who are in a service organization (such as Scouts, Brownies, Cadets, etc) to wear their uniforms and walk into the gym with the flags.



PAC NEWS <http://panoramaheightspac.ca>

Join us for the next PAC meeting on Monday, November 20th at 7:15 in the library.

Visit the [PAC website](#) for information on Hot Lunch, Athletic Club, Treat Days, Movie Nights and more!

ANNOUNCEMENTS and ATTACHMENTS

Please see attachments for information on the following:

- Winter Market flyer (at Riverside Secondary)
- Winter Weather

PANORAMA MONTH AT A GLANCE

NOVEMBER

- 9 Remembrance Day Assembly 11:00 am
- 10 School Not in Session
- 13 Remembrance Day Holiday – School closed
- 15 PAC sponsored Walking School Bus Hot Chocolate 8:30-8:45
- 17 PAC Movie Night 5pm-8pm. Adult Supervision required
- 20 PAC Meeting 7:15pm (Library)
- 23 PAC Hot Lunch
- 24 Non Instructional Day – No school for students
- 30 Term 1 Report Cards

DECEMBER

- 5 Early dismissal at 1:53pm
- 11 PAC Meeting 7:15pm (Library)
- 13 PAC sponsored Walking School Bus Hot Chocolate 8:30-8:45
- 15 PAC Hot Lunch
- 22 Last Day before Winter Break

Want more dates? The School Calendar can be found on our [website](#).