

Nestor Community Update for September 6, 2024

Good Afternoon Nestor Community,

A few announcements and items to end the week:

Quick Links

Nestor Home Page: [NESTOR HOME PAGE](#)

Online Absence Reporting Form: [ABSENCE REPORT](#)

Coquitlam School District Home Page: [SD43 HOME PAGE](#)

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, September 19 – Terry Fox Assembly and Terry Fox Run

Thursday, September 19 – Canadian Cancer Society's Cops For Cancer Tour Riding By Nestor at 1:28 PM

Thursday, September 19 – Meet The Teacher Night - 5:30 to 6:30 PM

Friday, September 20 – Pro-D Day – School Not in Session

Friday, September 26 – Truth & Reconciliation Assembly

Monday, September 30 – Truth and Reconciliation Stat Day

Tuesday, October 1 – Photo Day

Friday, October 4 – School-Wide Hip Hop Concert

Friday, October 11 – Turkey Trot Community Run

Monday, October 14 – Thanksgiving Day Holiday

Thursday, October 24 – Early Dismissal at 1:40 PM and Parent-Teacher Conferences 2:00 – 5:00 PM

Friday, October 25 – Pro-D Day

Thursday, October 31 – Halloween Parade

Absence Reporting

Please let us know if your child will be absent. You can do this one of two ways:

1. Using the Quick Links – Absence Report on the Nestor Homepage found here <https://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/nestor/Pages/default.aspx#/=>
2. Calling the school at 604-464-9422 in the morning after 8:00 AM.

Class Placement Update & Information for this Monday, September 9

During the first week, the school district assesses district-wide enrolment and enrolment at individual schools in order to ensure the needs of school communities are met accordingly.

Once our school organization is confirmed we will begin to welcome students in their classes for the school year – I foresee this happening for Nestor Monday.

Students will meet in their regular meeting areas Monday morning – please keep full supplies at home until Tuesday.

IMPORTANT - Please see the attached map for student dismissal areas on **Monday afternoon**.

You will be able to meet your student at their assigned dismissal area on Monday afternoon and students will be sent home information about where to meet on Tuesday morning.

Terry Fox Run Fundraising Page

We will be recognizing and celebrating our school Terry Fox Run on Thursday, September 19th with more details to follow in the coming weeks. Please consider donating to our Nestor Terry Fox Fundraising Page by following this link: [NESTOR TERRY FOX FUNDRAISING PAGE](#)

**Please note, the school run date is incorrect on the donation page, our school run is in fact Thursday, September 19th*

Early Dismissal Days for 2024-2025

Please make note of Nestor's Early Dismissal Days for the 2024-2025 School Year:

Thursday, October 24th at 1:40 PM – Parent-Teacher Conferences afterwards

Friday, December 20th at 1:40 PM – Any families needing to meet about First Term Learning Updates can do so afterwards

Thursday, February 27th at 1:40 PM – Student-Led Conferences afterwards

Thursday, April 24th at 1:40 PM – Parent-Teacher Conferences afterwards

Traffic Safety Information

Our school community is committed to having drop off and pick up done in a safe and consistent manner. Following predictable routines is a way to keep our students safe. I'm asking families to please be mindful of the following to ensure the safest conditions for our students and children:

10 Guidelines for a Safe and Positive Drive-Thru Pick-up/Drop-off Experience

1. Drive slowly on school property.
2. Stay with your car during drop off and pick up.
3. Respect no U-turns on Nestor Street.
4. Staff lot for staff, except 1 handicap spot with displayed sign.
5. No parking in front of bus/daycare area on Nestor Street.
6. Students exit on passenger side of your vehicle.
7. Check before pulling out to exit the area.
8. Right turn only onto Nestor Street when leaving.
9. Use crosswalks on Harwood Street and at the drive-thru area on Nestor Street.
10. Children need adult crossing on Nestor Street; no crossing in front of school.

Dressing For The Weather

Students will be playing outside at recess and lunch time, rain or shine. Please send your children with appropriate outdoor wear (including footwear) for the weather. Rain boots, rain pants, hats and umbrellas can help children enjoy their outdoor time even more. A change of clothes would also be helpful for some students. Even on rainy days and snowy days, the fresh air break is very beneficial for children's physical and mental health, especially right now when more outdoor play is encouraged.

If you need support with boots or jackets, please contact Ms. Calla at acalla@sd43.bc.ca

Vandal Watch

Even though our school is located in one of the most beautiful areas in the Lower Mainland, Nestor isn't immune to vandalism. If you notice any suspicious activity in the evening around the school, please call the Vandal Watch Tip Line at 604-927-7600.

Have a great weekend,

Mr. C. Hunter
Principal
Nestor Elementary School