



Riverview Park Elementary

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In learning and in life, we at Riverview Park Elementary are responsible, kind, and curious.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

November	1	Pajama Day! Staff Meeting, 3:00 PM in the Gym PAC Meeting, 7:00 PM via Teams Click here to join the meeting Me-n'-Eds PAC Pizza Fundraiser
	9	Photo Retake Day Virtual Remembrance Day Assembly, 11:00 AM
	11	Remembrance Day Statutory
	12	Hot Lunch, A&W, 12:05 – 12:20 PM
	17	Fire Drill, 1:30 PM
	19	Hot Lunch, Pizza Pizza, 12:05 – 12:20 PM
	25	Hot Lunch, Subway, 12:05 – 12:20 PM
	26	Lockdown Drill, 11:00 AM

Principal's Message

There is nothing like enjoying the colours of fall at RVP! With the school grounds populated by so many oak and maple trees, there has been no end to the ever-changing landscape of orange, yellow, and red brilliance throughout the grounds. The students have enjoyed watching the changing leaves, making all sorts of leaf creations. Decorative leaf chains have been a very popular activity for many of the students. The kids have also partnered to decorate the chain link fences with phrases like, "Pick a Pumpkin" on our Pumpkin Patch day. Then there is the leaf-pilers, the kids who like to make huge piles and taking a running leap. And occasionally, there are leaf 'fights' as kids pick up huge piles and throw them at each other. Who needs video games when you have an unlimited supply of leaves!

Teachers enjoyed the opportunity to meet with many families via Teams or over the phone over the past few weeks as part of our Interim Reporting process. As always, please feel free to reach out to your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions.

We ended the month with our Halloween Spirit Day, enjoying some fun classroom activities throughout the day. A huge thank you to our PAC for treating the students to a special TCBY Frozen Yogurt Treat (Cotton Candy flavour, of course!) on Friday afternoon. This was a special Halloween surprise for all the students, courtesy of the PAC. A special thank you to Jen Jensen for organizing the order and to Tanya Adams and Nancy Lees for delivering the ice cream treats to students on Friday after lunch. The students were absolutely thrilled by the surprise! Please note that all COVID health and safety protocols were followed in the preparation and distribution of this treat for the students and all student allergies were accounted for to ensure a safe treat for everyone. Thank you so much to the PAC for your generosity!

Warmest regards,

Anita Young

RAZ Kids

In past years, we have offered parents the option to sign their children up for an online reading account through RAZ-Kids. Last year we decided that all primary students at RVP should have these accounts, in order to best support their leveled reading at home and at school. The accounts allow our students to access properly leveled reading materials at home and in the classroom. We would like all primary and some intermediate students to have access to their own account again this year. In order to cover the cost of annual licensing fees for this program, we ask that parents pay a \$5 fee to access the program for the school year. You should have received a School Cash Online Notification last week. Payment is due by Thursday, November 4.

Personalized sign-in information will be sent home with each student in the first two weeks of November. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Mountain West Student Photos

Portrait photos are ready for viewing through the Mountain West Studios website!

Your child's webcode access was sent home in October. Please use the webcode provided to access your child's photo and to place an order if you wish. All orders will be shipped directly to your home address. You will not be able to access your student portraits without the webcode. If you cannot find your child's webcode, please contact me directly.

Please visit the following link to order your student portraits: [For Families | MountainWestStudios.](#)

School Cash Online

As in previous years, we wish to be able to have all fee collection throughout the school year done through our on-line system, School Cash Online (i. e., planners, school supplies, field trips, etc.).

For returning students, you would already have an existing account from previous years. For new students, you must create an account. The process is as follows:

1. Go to <https://sd43.schoolcashionline.com>
2. Click on 'Register'
3. Create your account as follows:
 - Enter first and last name (must be your child's legal name), email address
 - Create a password
 - Choose a security question
 - Click 'yes' to receiving e-mail notifications for updated school information

Thank you for taking the time to create an account!

School Supplies

School Supplies and Student Planners can now be paid for via School Cash Online. You should have received a School Cash Online Notification email recently. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Coquitlam Halloween Fundraiser

Looking for a Halloween experience for your family this weekend?? Peter and Jennifer Raptis invite you to stop by the Second Annual Coquitlam Halloween fundraiser for the Pacific Autism Family Network and the Coquitlam Canucks Autism Network Hockey program.

When: October 29, 30, and 31, 6:00 to 9:30 PM

Where: 1211 Crest Court, at Gatsbury Street

What: Four homes on the small street will feature large displays in the spirit of Halloween, including a real helicopter crash scene in the front yard!

Cost: There will be coffee, hot chocolate and cookies available by donation with funds collected going directly to the charities. Donations can be made by cash, credit/debit or cheque made out to the Pacific Autism Family Network.

PAC News

PAC Meeting – Monday, November 1

7:00 – 8:30 PM via Teams [Click here to join the meeting](#)

PAC Fundraiser

Back by popular demand, the RVP PAC is hosting another Me-n-Ed's Pizza Fundraiser! Tired after a Halloween Sunday?? Take a break from cooking and support this RVP fundraising initiative on Monday, November 1! All you have to do is call the Coquitlam or Port Coquitlam Me-n-Ed's, place your order, tell them you are part of the Riverview Park Elementary School fundraiser and our school will receive 20% of the total sales. Please see attached flyer for more information.

Hot Lunch Sign-Up Reminder

Just a reminder that all families are asked to sign-up to be part of the PAC Hot Lunch Program, even if you are not planning to participate in Hot Lunch. The PAC sends out communications and other fundraising initiatives via this site.

Hot Lunch Sign-Up Instructions

- 1) Go to rvp.hotlunches.net
- 2) Click on "Register" tab near the top of the website
- 3) Enter the Access Code **RVPHL**
- 4) Complete the rest of the registration form. Be sure to include your email address as this will ensure you receive reminder emails about hot lunch order deadlines, and your child's hot lunch order for the upcoming week.
- 5) Click the "**Register Now**" button at the bottom
- 6) Once you are logged in, BE SURE TO ADD EACH OF YOUR CHILDREN who attend RVP. Once they are added you can place orders for each child.

The Hot Lunch online order system requires a small amount of setup time at the beginning as you must register each child you have attending our school prior to ordering through Hot lunch.

If you have any questions at all or need help completing the registration process, please email rvp@hotlunches.net.

Daily Health Check

Just a reminder that **you must complete a Daily Health screening check for your child each day before sending your child to school.** You are not required to complete any forms as part of this process; please just review the Health Check to ensure your child is well enough to attend school. You can find the Daily Health Check on the district and provincial websites:

- [http://www.sd43.bc.ca/covidresponse/Pages/default.aspx#/="](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/covidresponse/Pages/default.aspx#/=)
- <https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?execution=e1s1>

Traffic Congestion at Drop-Off and Pick-Up – IMPORTANT Safety Rules!

A huge thank you to our district Maintenance Department for sprucing up our driveway with a new paint job! It has really helped with the flow of our morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up.

Drop-Off and Pick-Up Safety Reminders

Please review the following important safety rules and please help us keep all our children safe by following these rules every day, even when you are in a hurry.

1. **Drop-Off/Pick-Up Lane:** Please remain at your vehicle at all times during drop-off and pick-up and when in the drop-off/pick-up lane.
2. **Parking and Round-About:** The five parking spots in the round-about are the only places where parking is permitted. At no time are parents permitted to leave their cars in the round-about area and students are not to be taken to the cars that are waiting in this area. When waiting in the round-about, cars are to proceed to the pick-up lane when space becomes available.

3. **Through Lane:** Please do not drop students off or pick students up while stopped for traffic in the through lane. Cars pull out quickly and unexpectedly and this is a concern for student safety.

4. **The Quick Goodbye:** As much as possible, when in the drop-off lane, ensure your child is ready to go and can exit the vehicle without your assistance. Even the extra minute or two that is required when parents need to exit the vehicle and assist students can really slow things down and add to the congestion.

5. **Street Parking Option:** Avoid the congestion all together and park on one of the streets close to the school and walk the rest of the way.

6. **Delayed Pick-Up:** For families with older children, you may wish to delay your pick-up at the end of the day by a few minutes to allow for congestion to clear. Sometimes, a matter of 5-7 minutes can make a significant difference in reducing traffic congestion.

Thank you very much for your support of these important safety rules during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. If you have a family member picking up your child, please be sure to explain the safety rules associated with drop-off and pick-up.