

# Northridge Newshawk



Newsletter # 3,

October 18, 2019

## Principal's message

Yesterday was the big day! It was Shakeout BC Day. We had our drill yesterday around 1pm. Classes had been preparing for the last few days and did an amazing job. Drills are important as we work to make our action more automatic. In the event of a real earthquake we need to have routines and actions in place for the safety of our students and staff. There will undoubtedly be other problems to solve in a real seismic event but rest assured that with our drills, preplanning and our inventive and capable staff, we are ready. If you would like to know more about our emergency planning please let me know.

Mr. Jorgensen

## Dates to remember

- Oct. 21 Cross Country Meet at Topaz Park
- Oct. 22 Photo Retakes
- Oct. 24 Pizza Hot Lunch
- Oct. 24 School Dance @ 6-8pm
- Oct. 25 Pro D Day – No school for students
- School Garden Clean Up 10am to 12pm
- Oct. 31 Black and Orange Day

## Public Health Nurse

Morgan Fankboner is our Public Health Nurse and has already made presentations to some of our classes. Morgan will be at the school for the morning of October 30<sup>th</sup> and will be available to parents who would like to drop by or call her about any health related questions. No question is too small and I think you will enjoy meeting Morgan. This is a drop-in opportunity to speak confidentially with our Public Health Nurse and all you need do is drop by the school.

## Student Drop Off – It's 'Drop and Go'

We have a great student drop off area and it only works if everyone helps out. The rule is **'Drop and Go'** and please do not leave your car. One empty car can easily disrupt the **'Drop and Go'** and make it unsafe for kids as well.

## **Math Night**

You don't know how much fun math can be if you have not attended Math Mania. Great for young and old, Math Mania will involve children and parents in an evening of fun activities. One of the difficulties in achieving success with numbers is that students (and parents) claim that they are 'not good at math'. Math Mania will help you discover how much fun Math can be. Please RSVP Lindsay Kellow [l.szteina@gmail.com](mailto:l.szteina@gmail.com) so she can confirm numbers. Thank you.

## **Dress for the weather**

The weather is changing; it's cold and wet. Please make sure that your child is dressed to be outdoors for both morning recess and lunch recess. You can set up a routine in the morning to check the weather and make a smart decision on outerwear.

## **Homestay Recruitment**

The Greater Victoria School District's **International Student Program** is seeking caring families to provide homestay accommodation to international students studying in the District's middle and secondary schools. It is a great opportunity for an intercultural exchange of ideas, food, and life.

We offer the following to our host families:

- Orientation
- On-going support
- Homestay manual
- Remuneration of \$975 per month
- Short and long term students

To find out more about our homestay program or apply please visit our **website**: [www.studyinvictoria.com/homestay](http://www.studyinvictoria.com/homestay) or contact Lukas Hahn (Homestay Manager) email: [lhahn@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:lhahn@sd61.bc.ca) Tel: 250-592-6871

## **School Garden Clean Up – Friday, Oct. 25, 10:00am -12:00pm**

Also please join the effort to keep the inner court yard looking nice and a pleasant space for our children to learn. Join in on garden clean - up day and bring the whole family. Friday, Oct. 25 from 10:00am – 12:00pm