

## Northridge Elementary School

WEEKLY UPDATE
Friday October 14<sup>th</sup>

## **Important Messages**

Despite being a four day week, it was very busy one around Northridge Elementary. Many clubs and activities are starting up including Cross Country (Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:10), Choir (12:10 on Thursdays) and Rainbow Club (12:10 on Wednesdays).

We had a very successful Fire Drill today supported by Saanich Fire Department who let us know that we were entirely evacuated from the school after 1 minute and 30 seconds...very impressive! The firefighters were also impressed at how quiet the students were in the hallways. This is very important in case additional instructions and information needs to be given out...well done Northridge!

**Wacky Wednesday:** The Grade 5 Spirit Team is hosting Wacky Wednesday this Wednesday Oct. 19. They invite all students to wear their hair (or a hat) in an unexpected way. There will also be three 'wacky' things to spot in our school halls. Students can write them down and then put their list in a draw for a prize!

**Earthquake Preparedness:** Next Thursday is the Great BC Shake Out. This is a day where schools, government buildings and businesses practice earthquake preparedness. At Northridge, we will practice a 'Drop, Cover and Hold' drill at 10:30 along with other participating schools. We will play a rumble track over the announcements and instruct the students and staff to take cover under desks until the rumbling stops.

On the note of Earthquake Preparedness, we are no longer collecting 'earthquake kits' from students. Instead, we will supply our earthquake container with an adequate supply of food, water and materials to care for students until parents/caregivers can pick-up in the event of an earthquake.

## **UPCOMING DATES**

- Saturday Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Bottle Drive (10:00-2:00)
     Houle Electric Parking Lot
- Wednesday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>
  - Spirit Day: WackyWednesday
- Thursday Oct 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Great Canadian Shake-out
     Earthquake Drill
- Friday Oct. 21<sup>th</sup>
  - Professional Development
     Day: No School for
     students
- Monday Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>
  - Monthly Assembly 11:00
- Monday Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>
  - Cross Country Meet 3:45@Lambrick Park
- Wednesday Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> Bake Sale!
- Friday Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>
  - PAC Halloween Dance



Please remember to check out our website for important dates and information: