



Mill Bay Nature School Weekly Newsletter

October 7-11

Mill Bay Nature School 2024/2025

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Principal's Message



We are in the October flow. Students are adjusting to being back in school, and have a comfortable flow throughout the day. We are starting to feel the cold, chilly mornings and enjoying the warmer afternoons that continue to grace us with their presence. With that we are finding that our collection of lost and found items such as hoodies and light jackets are starting to build up. If you notice your child is missing an item please remind them to take a look on the playground and around the undercover area. Our School Messenger app is also up and running. Please ensure you log your child's absence in the app or give Ann-Marie a call. The attendance is done and into the office by 8:45, if you arrive after that please check in at the office or your child may be marked away and you will receive a phone call and email from the messenger app stating your child is away.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Alison

Photo Day



This Monday, October 7, we will be having our student individual photo's taken. All the photo's will be done in the morning so please try and be mindful of arriving on time that day.

PAC meeting



PAC meeting is on Monday, October 7 at 6:30 in the school library which is located in the second building. Doors will open at 6:15.

Pizza fundraiser



Our classroom teachers are setting up an ongoing pizza fundraiser to raise money to support activities and resources in their classes. Please see below the information on how to be a part of this fundraising activity.



October 4, 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Wednesday Pizza Day is available to all students starting Wednesday October 16, 2024. The cost is \$48.00 per one slice of cheese pizza for 16 Wednesdays. The option for 2 slices is \$96 for the 16 Wednesdays. A new round of ordering for mid-February to June will come out in January. All slices must be ordered and paid for using the SchoolCash Online System by October 10th, 2024.

Dates for the pizza are:

Oct. 16, 23, 30 Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27 Dec. 4, 11, 18 Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb. 5, 12

Orders are being done online:

- Go to <https://sd79.schoolcashionline.com/> and click **Register**.

Type your first name, last name, and email address, and create a password.

Select a security question.

Select YES to receive email notifications. You will not receive any marketing emails. Selecting YES enables the system to send you fee notifications.

- SchoolCash Online will send you a confirmation email. If you don't receive it, check your Spam folder.
- Use your email address and password to log in.
- Click "Add a student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.
- If you have previously created an account, you can use your existing log in details to sign in and order.
- If you need help with online payments, please contact the parent help desk: 1(866) 961-1803
<https://schoolcashionline.com/home/support>

Deadline for ordering is Thursday October 10, 2024.

Divisions participating:

Division 1: Mr. Adams

Division 2: Mrs. Johansen

Division 3: Ms. Newburg

Division 4: Ms. O'Neill

Division 5: Mrs. Thomas

If your child is absent, a parent or sibling at the school is welcome to pick up the pizza from the office. Please connect with your child's teacher by 11:00 am to have their slice set aside. Any remaining pizza will be donated to our lunch program. If the cost is a concern, please contact Alison or Ann-Marie at the office.

Sincerely,

Shawna Thomas

Laureen O'Neill

There are **NO REFUNDS. Late orders will not be accepted.**

Cowichan Valley School District Strategic Plan Feedback



The Cowichan Valley School District is asking for Parent/Caregiver feedback on the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan goals. Below is a link to 3 engagement questions to give insight and voice from the Parents/Caregivers.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=02sGLFxpKyK6RzKdeIbS5iPj1Umlg5Jm6FEC-nzizVUQldSUzhBVUxTODJSNUM5RjIFREkxOFg1WC4u>

Gym Update

Our Gym space has been finally completed. We will be organizing and moving equipment in next week, creating schedules and will be ready to use it later in the week. We are excited to use and explore this new space.

Important Dates



Monday, October 7: School Photo's

Monday, October 7: PAC meeting 6:30-8:00

Monday, October 14: Thanksgiving: No school for students

Friday, October 25: Pro D day: No school for students

Thursday, October 31: Halloween

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Visit our website for calendar and other happenings around the school:

<https://naureschool.sd79.bc.ca/>