



Mill Bay Nature School Weekly Newsletter

October 28 - November 1

Mill Bay Nature School 2024/2025

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Principal's Message



October is my favourite month of the whole year! The days are still warm with just a hint of cool air, the mornings are foggy with just a bit of sunlight shining through, the colourful trees and last of the garden harvest make for rich and engaging learning opportunities and of course it ends with the spookiest of fun holidays. I have loved being able to jump in and teach all the classes this month and look forward to more as the months move forward.

Alison

Pumpkin Patch at Mill Bay



On Monday, October 28th, we will be bringing the pumpkin patch to Mill Bay. I want to say thank you to Ms. O'Neill for organizing this fun event for our students and to the PAC for generously paying half of the cost to make this fun event affordable for all our families. We ask that students bring in 2.00 on Monday or parents can pay 2.00 at <https://sd79.schoolcashonline.com/>

The pumpkins will be picked up Monday morning and laid out by our older students just after free play. The students will each get to pick 1 pumpkin each. Please note that some teachers may keep the pumpkins for a day or so, so please do not be concerned if your child doesn't come home with a pumpkin on Monday afternoon.

Please reach out if you have any questions regarding this event.

Halloween

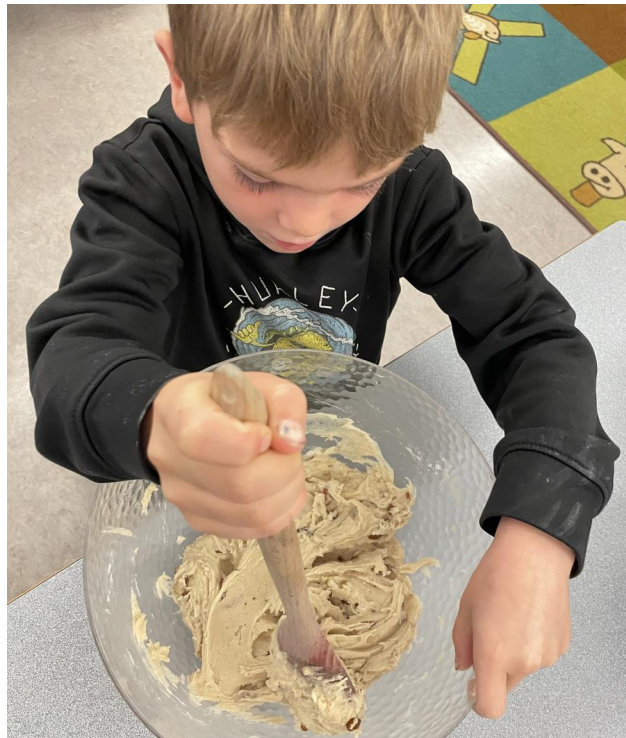
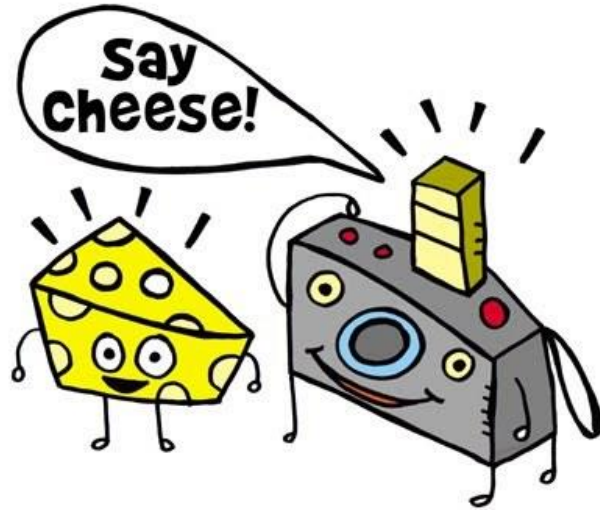


This upcoming Thursday is Halloween. We will be hosting a Halloween costume parade first thing in the morning, followed by a quick dance party before heading back into classes for a fun day of learning. Some things to consider around costumes and candy.

- Costumes need to be school friendly for all learners. Costumes that depict violence, horror or any other disturbing style of dress are not allowed.
- No weapons of any sort, if they are part of the costume, leave them at home.
- Masks are ok and can be worn for the parade but will be asked to be left off for the remainder of the day.
- If you have a "day time" costume you would prefer to send you child in, please feel free to do so, saving their evening costume for trick or treating.
- If you choose not to wear a costume, please feel free to wear orange and black instead.
- As a staff we are asking that you **DO NOT** pack **ANY** candy in your child's lunch following Halloween. Not only does it cause behavior to increase, the wrappers from the candy are often found littered around the classroom and school spaces. If your child does have a piece of candy in their lunch, we will ask them to please leave it in there until the end of the day.

If you have any questions regarding Halloween activities or costume/candy expectations please reach out.

This week at Mill Bay in photos









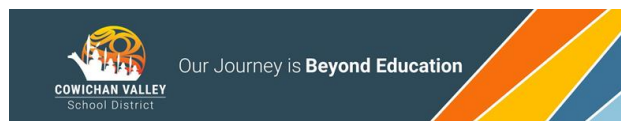




Transportation Update



Registration Closed 24-25



October 18, 2024

Dear Parent/Guardians

Online registration is now closed for the 2024-2025 school year. Registration for the upcoming 2025/2026 school year will open Thursday, May 1, 2025.

Due to our current load limits, applications for ridership as well as any changes to your current scheduled routes will be assessed on an individual basis.

If you require registration for the remainder of the 2024-2025 year, please email the transportation office transportationregistration@sd79.bc.ca.

Due to changing demographics routing provided to students is under continual evaluation and restructuring. Please refer to [AP 560 District Transportation Services](#)

Regards,

SD 79 Transportation

Homestay opportunity for international students



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**HOMESTAYS NEEDED FOR HIGH SCHOOL
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

If you are an active family interested in hosting an international student from Europe and around the world contact us!

Brenda 250-510-1436 / blanglois@sd79.bc.ca

Important Dates



Friday, October 25: Deadline to order Hot lunch for Nov. 5

Thursday, October 31: Halloween

Friday, November 1: Deadline to order hot lunch for Nov. 12

Monday, November 4: Photo Retake day

Friday, November 8: Remembrance day assembly

Wednesday, November 20: 2-hour early dismissal

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

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