

CAVELL CARES

Take Care of Yourself-Take Care of Others-Take Care of This Place

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Our School Goal:

To develop the affective domain (feelings, values, appreciation, enthusiasms, motivations and attitudes) with respect to the learning of numeracy within our community.

School Mission Statement:

To foster diversified and enriched learning in a supportive environment that encourages personal success, social responsibility, respect for self and others, and the development of skills and attitudes for a lifetime of learning.

International Walk to School Week:

International Walk to School Week is the week of October 5th – 9th. We are one of 187 schools who will be participating this year. It is a one of the ways that we will be continuing to support the important work that the school has done over the last two years in developing and participating in healthy living initiatives that promote and contribute to an active healthy lifestyle. Cycling to school would be a wonderful way to participate in this initiative and following on the heels of a very successful and enjoyable bicycle safety program earlier in the year it would be a great way for students to practice and consolidate the skills that they have learned.

TransLink is offering fare-free riding during this period for all elementary students and secondary students who have a GoCard. This includes riding on a bus, SkyTrain and SeaBus anywhere in Metro Vancouver.

Terry Fox Run:

Every participant and contributor to The Terry Fox Run has a special reason for participating, whether it is an affinity for Terry Fox, a personal experience with cancer or a desire to make a difference in the lives of cancer patients. Each story is unique, each story offers hope for a better world. We thank you for your participation and contributions which collectively keep Terry's dream alive. It is that important hope in this and in all things that motivates and moves the human spirit towards that which is good. This year our total contribution was \$1875. Thanks again for your support!!

ALLERGY AWARENESS:

A letter was sent home earlier in the school year to inform parents that Cavell was an "Allergy Aware" school that is sensitive to the fact that we have students at our school with severe anaphylactic reactions to nuts. We are asking that parents please refrain from sending nuts and products containing nuts to school. We also ask our children not to share food and to wash their hands before and after eating.

I have spoken at a recent assembly about allergies and hand washing techniques. These important basic skills will continue to be stressed throughout the school. Thank you for your continued support in keeping Cavell a safe place for all our students.

PAC Meeting:

The next PAC Meeting is Tuesday, October 6th, @ 7:00 p.m. in the school library. Babysitting is available.

Traffic Concerns:

There is an increase in traffic around the school especially in the morning and at dismissal time and as the weather changes this pattern will continue. I have noticed some practices that are cause for concern. Please observe all traffic and parking signs and be extra vigilant when driving around the school. When dropping off your children at school please ensure that you are dropping them off on the school side of the street so that they are not required to cross the street. Also make sure that students are not dropped off in the “no stopping zone” between the parking lot entrances immediately in front of the school.

No Child Without:

The *No Child Without* program offers a free MedicAlert membership to students who attend our school. Students can continue to receive this free membership until their 14th birthday. If your child has a medical condition, allergy or is required to take medication on a regular basis then you should consider a MedicAlert membership through this program.

Cavell Sports Report:

The kilometer club and the Cross-Country Team have begun. It is great to see the students run in the mornings around the school and exciting to see our students compete so successfully at the Cross-country meets at Douglas Park. Thanks to Mr. Walter and Mrs. Robertson for their time and energy in making these opportunities available for our students.

The Senior Boys’ Soccer Team has started as well and we wish them well as they work towards qualifying for the city championships over the next few weeks.

News from the Library:

Book Fair

Another record breaking year! Our total sales this year was \$6904 almost \$300 more than last year. Special thanks to the great volunteers who helped to make this year’ book fair such a great success!

The staff would also like to thank the students and parents for the many donations of wish list books to the classrooms. These generous donations will be enjoyed by many students for years to come!

Be sure to come to the library to check out all the wonderful new books that will be added to our collection!

School Code of Conduct:

A copy of the school Code of Conduct will be sent home with this newsletter. Please join us in making this an integral part of the lived experience of your child’s time here at Cavell. Please review the document with your child and then signing and return the consent form attached to you teacher.

Tear off and return

We have read and agree with the expectations for student behaviour as laid out in the Edith Cavell Code of Conduct and the principles for supporting the development of a responsible, respectful, safe learning environment for all children.

Student’s name: _____ Student’s signature: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____