

November Georgia Park Journal



**Please call or email if your child
is going to be away**

250-923-0735 EXT 1
(messages are accepted 24 hrs/day)
or
georgiapark@sd72.bc.ca

**If your child is late,
please ensure they check in at the
office before going to class to
keep attendance records accurate
Thank you!**



Important Dates:

Monday, November 1
District Pro-D Day—NO SCHOOL

Sunday, November 7th
Daylight Savings Time

Thursday, November 11
Remembrance Day—NO SCHOOL

Thursday, November 25
Student-Led Conference Day—NO SCHOOL



PAC News:

PAC greatly appreciates the generous donation
of a lap top to support the Treasurer's position.

PAC is hosting a fundraiser Island Reveries
Makers of reusable beeswax food wraps.
The fundraiser is from November 2—12 so
orders can be received in time for Christmas.

The next PAC meeting will be held on
Thursday, November 18th



Lost & Found:

Pictures of all lost and found items can be found
on the Georgia Park PAC Facebook website
Please take a look!
We have many unclaimed items.

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Remembrance Day:

There will be no school on Thursday, November 11.
Unfortunately, we cannot hold a school-wide Remembrance Day assembly. We recognize it is important to ensure we honour Remembrance Day. Classroom teachers will be organizing a way to recognize this important day in one of the following ways:

- * A presentation/video on why we observe Remembrance Day
- * A moment of silence
- * Lessons/activities related to Remembrance day

School Parking Lot:

Our parking lot gets extremely busy in the morning and after school.

- * Please do not park or leave your vehicle while in the drop off lane
- * For student safety, please obey parking signs
- * If you leave your vehicle to pick up or drop off your child, please use the designated parking spots

Student Emergency Release Forms:

Your child will be bringing home a Student Emergency Release form to be completed at your earliest convenience. Please note, should there be an emergency and you have authorized the release of your children into the custody of non-guardian adults, those adults must present identification if they come to pick up your children

Student-Led Conference Day:

Thursday, November 25th. Please keep an eye open for information from your child's teacher as to what form of communication will be used for this event. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher directly. Regular classes will NOT be in session

Weather Closure of School Information:

Whenever possible, the decision to close schools due to weather will be made by 6:00 am by the Superintendent. An alert notice will be on the district website (www.sd72.bc.ca) as well as the district Facebook and Twitter accounts and local news outlets

Rainbow Club:

We are starting up a Rainbow Club at Georgia Park! Our goal will be to help support kids who may identify as LGBTQ+, kids with families who are LGBTQ+, and allies who want to celebrate their friends and families. This club will be open to any students in Grades. 3/4/5. We will read books, do art activities and brainstorm ways to make our school feel more inclusive.
The club will meet at lunchtime recess 2 times a month



School District 72 would like to invite parents and caregivers in our school community to complete a short survey by November 19th.
Enhancing Substance Use Prevention in BC Schools Survey
[Enhancing Substance Use Prevention in BC Schools | govTogetherBC](https://www.govtogetherbc.ca/enhancing-substance-use-prevention-in-bc-schools)



Learning in the Woods

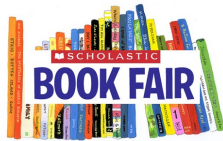


Hello parents/guardians, my name is Mr. Ruiz and I am your child's Forest School teacher. We have been having a great time learning about and exploring the forest. Your child has been learning about the forest ecosystem, from small decomposers to giant trees. Recently we have been focusing on trees, learning about the differences between deciduous and conifers, how trees breathe, how they drink, the network connection of fungi that help trees, and much more. For example, did you know that leaves have mouths (stomata)? Just ask your child about it. Often my lessons are based on student inquiries during our forest time such as how birds build nests or how a giant boulder can split in two through erosion. On inside days, we have been learning about wilderness survival such as how to build emergency shelters, and how to make rope.

I would also like to take this time to talk about appropriate clothing as the weather is getting colder. Boots are important so your child doesn't have wet feet throughout the day. Layers of clothing will also help keep them warm. A base layer of wool, fleece, or synthetic fibers are best, as these wick away moisture and keep you warm. Cotton will only absorb moisture and once it gets damp (from rain or sweat), it stays damp and you can get chilled easily. So wool socks would be a good idea as well. Also, please make sure they bring a good jacket to keep them dry, as we will be outside in wet, rainy conditions.

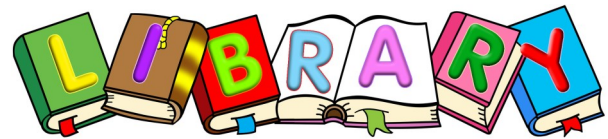


Thanks,
Mr. Ruiz



The Scholastic Book Fair takes place
November 22—26th

The link for online shopping for the book fair is:
<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5157077>
Online ordering will be available for the week.
Featured Book Fair books can be found at:
<https://www.scholastic.ca/bookfairs/featuredbooks>



Class Library Visits

Monday
Horsthuis
Fischer
Lane
Savery
Pears

Tuesday
Anderson
Orr



Wednesday
Beavis
McGrath/Morrow

Thursday
Stricker
Lorenzo
Vaton



The DEAR event (Drop Everything and Read) saw 251 staff and students reading for a total of 4981 minutes during the morning of Monday Oct. 25th



Due to the incredible support, the Fresh to You fundraiser was a huge success!

We earned over \$3,000 to support our school sensory garden and outdoor education program.

A special thank you to Capital Power's EmPowering Communities Program for their \$500 donation

