

Panorama Park Elementary

November 1 to November 5, 2021

Dear Panorama Park Parents and Families,

The pumpkin carving contest and virtual costume parade provided a sense of joy within the building. It was wonderful to see how many students participated in the pumpkin carving contest. Looking ahead for next week, for some of our students Diwali is one of the most important celebrations of the year for their families. Many students celebrate this festival of lights at home. This holiday takes place in the fall and sets a wonderful tone for the school year ahead. On Thursday, November 4, 2021, we be celebrating all cultures. Our staff, students and families are encouraged to wear their cultural clothing to school.

Our BC curriculum consists of core competencies. The Positive Personal and Cultural Competency identifies, involves the awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the factors that contribute to a healthy sense of oneself; it includes knowledge of one's family background, heritage(s), language(s), beliefs, and perspectives in a pluralistic society.

People who have a positive personal and cultural identity value their personal and cultural narratives and understand how these shape their identity. They exhibit a sense of self-worth, self-awareness, and positive identity to become confident individuals who take satisfaction in who they are and what they can do. They contribute to their own well-being and to the well-being of their family, community, and society.

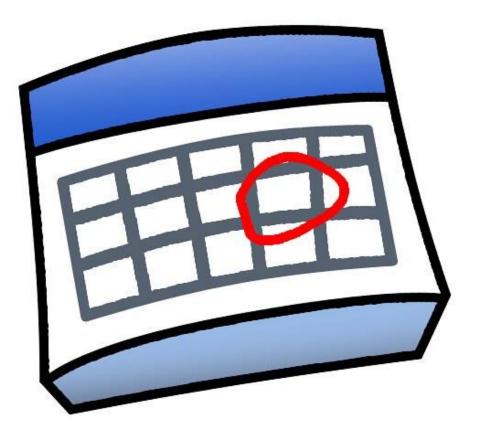
All the best,

Jag and Harman

~ Ms. J Dhaliwal (Principal) & Mr H Gill (Vice Principal)



What's Happening This Week



Monday, November 1

• Volleyball Boys Practice after school 2:40 pm to 3:30 pm

Tuesday, November 2

- JumpStart 2:35 to 4:30
- Volleyball Boys Practice in the morning 7:45 am to 8:30 am

Wednesday, November 3

- Volleyball Girls Practice at lunch 11:50 am to 12:35 pm
- Volleyball Boys Practice in the morning 7:45 am to 8:30 am
- Boys Volleyball game (Away Game Colebrook Elementary School)

Thursday, November 4

- Volleyball Girls Practice in the morning 7:45 am to 8:25 am
- Celebrations Dress in your cultural clothing
- Girls Volleyball game (Home Game Colebrook Elementary School)

Friday, November 5

Panorama - School Wide Behaviour Expectations



Respect Ourselves & Others

Respect Property

Respect Learning

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Welcome to Panorama Park Elementary

Home of the Panthers!

Mission Statement:

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At Panorama Park, we believe in working together as a team to help create an environment where people care for one another. We want it to be a place where our students feel safe both physically and emotionally, while at the same time maintaining high academic standards. In such an environment, student learning will improve.

At Panorama Park, students are expected to:

- treat one another with dignity and respect
- respect school and classroom rules and those in positions of authority
- use appropriate language, common sense, and good judgement
- display responsible digital citizenship when communicating online
- respect school property and the property of others
- complete all assignments, including homework, to their best ability
- enter and exit the school through the outside classroom doors
- go outside for recess and lunch on most days (unless supervised by an adult)
- never leave school grounds without permission during the school day
- dismount their bikes, skateboards and scooters as soon as they arrive on school grounds
- report to the office if late or leaving early
- during lunch, eat quietly at their seats
- find appropriate, quiet activities to do in the classroom during inside days

In other words, three basic rules:

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Panorama Park's Code of Conduct:

This code of conduct applies to all Panorama Park students while at school, going to and from school, and at all school-sponsored events. Consequences will be applied in a fair and consistent manner, respecting individual rights, responsibilities, age, and maturity.

Inappropriate Behaviour Typically Has The Following Consequences:

• review of expectations followed by a warning, a timeout, a verbal or a written apology, school service, and/or a group assignment/project

- parents are informed, which may include a phone call or a meeting
- short-term suspension (in school or at home) up to 5 days
- long-term suspension (over 5 days) or referral to a district program
- consultations with police and/or fire department
- expulsion

Safe & Caring School Environments Are Free From Acts Of:

- bullying, cyber-bullying, harassment, threat, intimidation, violence in any form
- verbal, physical, or sexual abuse
- discrimination, theft, and vandalism
- retribution against a person who has reported incidents
- misusing cyberspace, cell phones, electronic devices, or computers

Safe & Caring School Environments Do Not Tolerate The Presence Of:

- intoxicating or banned substances such as alcohol, cigarettes/vapes/e-cigarettes, or drugs
- weapons or replica (toy) weapons and explosives such as fireworks
- intruders or trespassers

Notification:

As circumstances warrant, administrators have a responsibility to advise other parties

following a behaviour incident:

- parent of student exhibiting major behaviours
- Assistant Superintendent, Safe Schools team member and/or other district staff
- ministerial agencies and/or liaison officer (police)

Dress Code for Students:

- dress appropriately for a school setting and during cold or rainy weather
- cover up appropriately and avoid exposing underwear or midriffs
- wear items that do not have inappropriate images or offensive language
- hats or hoodies are only allowed outside the school building

School Wide Behaviour Expectations



	Classrooms Eating Lunch & Inside Days	Hallways	Assemblies	Playground	Washrooms
Be Safe	Remain in your seat Eat at your own desk/table Minimal contact Wash your hands before and after eating your lunch	Walk to the right Pass to the left Walk quietly and forward	Enter calmly Exit mindfully – wait for teacher direction Hands free of objects/toys Sit away from aisles and equipment	Minimal Contact Hands to self – no touching others Report unsafe behavior Stay on school grounds	Wash hands Lock the cubicle Report any problems to teacher or office Move safely in washrooms (climbing/jumping is for outside)
Be Responsible	Please work on a choice activity (writing, drawing, coloring, stationary game etc)	Be a positive example to younger students	Eyes on the speaker Stop talking when speaker raises hand Try to go to the bathroom before the assembly Use middle isle to go to the bathrooms at the back of the gym Sit flat so others can see Hats off	Wait for your turn Treat others and yourself with kindness Rocks, sticks and bark stay on the ground Use good sportsmanship Encourage others Include others	Use facilities respectfully and appropriately (always flush) Use quiet voices Use the garbage can
Be Respectful	Use inside voices Eat your own lunch/snack – please no sharing	Respect hallway displays Respect others working	Choose to sit where you will not be distracted Sit appropriately (hands/feet to yourself)	Be aware of your area Put garbage into garbage cans	Refrain from socializing Be quick and quict Leave school supplies in classroom

Parents Visiting Our School



Visitors are to:

Book an appointment with the school.

- 1. Perform a daily health check prior to entering
- 2. Wear a mask
- 3. Perform hand hygiene before and after the visit
- 4. Sign in and out with contact information at the office (records kept for 45 days)
- 5. Access will be limited to the purpose of the visit
- 6. Respect others' personal space

Litter



Schools are our second home and it is important to keep our school sanitary and clutter-free. One way to do so is to avoid littering. Littering in schools is harmful not only to the students and staff in the vicinity, littered rubbish could also affect the people, animals, and the environment outside the school premises. Factors like wind and rain allow waste to travel and reach great distances. Thus, please help keep our school grounds litter free. Monday mornings and early mornings we find quite a bit of litter on school grounds. If you use the playground or fields in the evening, please ensure that litter is not left on school grounds.

Parking





A few friendly reminders about our parking lot to keep our students safe and make drop off and pick up easy and stress free:

- Please give yourself time to drop off and pick up your child.
- Our parking lot is for staff only, with some spaces for visitor parking
- Please do not double park in front of cars in the drop off area and wait for your children. Rather, please leave the lot and line up to make another pass and meet your child. Cars that are idling in front of the school will be asked to circle around and come back into the lot.
- When dropping off and picking up students in front of the school, please have children exit and enter vehicles on the passenger side.
- We encourage parents to park off site, meet your child at their classroom door or a designated meeting spot, and then walk with your children to your vehicle.
- Please follow the parking signs such as, No Parking in front of drop off loop and No Left Turn signs
- Please keep your speed slow in and around our school. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dress for the Weather



1 - It is important children get outside for some fresh air at morning and lunch recess times. Students will be sent outside for recess times (please see below criteria) and should be dressed for the weather. Please send your children with rain jackets, umbrellas, and rain boots to ensure their comfort during our outdoor recess times and the learning time in the classroom afterward. Please send an extra set of clothes in your child's backpack.

Cold Weather & Rainy Days

Inside Day

- 5 degrees or below and raining
- Raining and so windy umbrellas will turn inside out
- Raining very hard duration and intensity is great

Outside Day

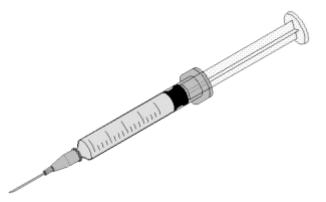
- Above 5 degrees and raining
 - Snow Day

If Your Child is Absent



If your child will not be at school due to illness, a medical appointment or other reason, please make sure you contact our office at 604-596-0963. You can leave a voice mail after hours which will be checked as soon as our office staff arrives in the morning.

Medications and Medical Alerts



If your child needs medication for an allergy or medical condition, please inform our office, your classroom teacher and ensure these medications are sent to our office as soon as possible. If your child has a medical alert that is new or we are not aware of, please contact our office to fill out a Medical Alert form so we have this information on hand.

COVID Reminders and Daily Health Checks

• Schools will continue to follow a strict cleaning and hand sanitizing regiment.

- A reminder that masks are mandatory for all students in grades K -7.
- Staff members will wear masks when indoors at all times.
- Parents are expected to do daily health checks with their children before coming to school. For more information please see the K-12 daily health check website and mobile app to help students and families make the best decisions on whether to attend school, stay home, or take other measures. Questions and answers are easy to understand and are based on current health guidelines. All content is written with the K-12 age group in mind.

Mark Your Calendars

- October 22 (Friday): Non-Instructional Day (school not in session)
- October 26 (Tuesday) PAC Virtual Meeting @ 5:00 pm on Zoom
- November 11 (Thursday) Remembrance Day
- November 12 (Friday) Non Instructional Day

Useful Links

Click on the links below to be taken to these websites:

- Surrey School District Website
- <u>BC Curriculum Overview</u>