

# Eye of the Cyclone

## Cilaire Elementary School

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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We have had an active month with a Fire Drill, Earthquake Drill, Book Fair, Hallway Buddy Pajama Read, Parent Teacher Conferences, field trips, school photos, and many fun Halloween activities! Our students have been physically active in our extra curricular Touch Football and Cross Country Meets. I have been fortunate to visit classes, and see students engaged in so many unique learning opportunities. Thank you to our staff for continuing to support our students and provide such rich learning environments!

We had a powerful Remembrance Day Assembly led by Mrs. Whiting's class. Thank you to all of our participants, particularly Mrs. Lavery's and Mrs. Jensen's class for their contributions of song (led by Mrs. Harms) and poetry.

Thank you once again for your continued interest in your child's learning – academically, socially and physically. We truly appreciate your support!

Sincerely,  
Carie Wood



Successful Learner Trait Ticket Winners  
Thank you for making Cilaire a great place to be!

### APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR WEATHER CONDITIONS

Please send your child(ren) to school prepared for fall and winter weather. Waterproof boots, gloves, and warm jackets (especially waterproof ones) are a necessity at this time of year. At Cilaire, we believe in the importance of fresh air and outside play, students will go outside for fresh air at recess breaks unless it is extremely stormy (high winds combined with excessive rainfall). Layered clothing is always a good choice as children can then take off and put on clothing as is necessary. Please label your child's clothing and check the Lost and Found Box regularly.



### SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO WEATHER

It is that time of year again, when School District staff would like to remind parents about school closure procedures. The most common reasons that schools might be closed are dangerous road conditions due to a heavy snowfall or ice. If you are wondering if schools are open on a particular day and for the most current updates listen to local radio stations (WAVE 102.3 FM and WOLF 106.9 FM) in the mornings. We also attempt to put an announcement of any school closure on the School District website, [www.sd68.bc.ca](http://www.sd68.bc.ca), and on Twitter and Facebook, but our ability to do so could be affected by such things as power outages and technical issues. If there is no announcement on the website or social media, please be sure to listen to local radio stations.

**We would like to remind parents that it is their right to make the final decision as to whether it is safe for their children to travel to school on any given day. While the district strives to make the best decision possible for students across the district, there may be circumstances in your neighbourhood that lead you to decide to keep your children home, even though schools are open.**

### SAFE, & RESPONSIBLE SNOW BEHAVIOURS

- ⊗ Keep snow on the ground  
(NO snowball throwing or face washing)

- ☞ Keep hands and feet to yourself
- ☞ Stay well away from roadways
- ☞ Snow toys stay at home
- ☞ Respect the wishes of others
- ☞ Snowmen and snow angels are welcome!

**CILAIRE SPORTS UPDATE**

**Touch Football**

We had two teams for Football this year. Both teams were in exciting playoff games. Thanks again to Ms. Losch for coaching both teams! Congratulations, on such exciting seasons!

**Cross Country**

Congratulations to our Cilaire Cross Country Team! On October 24th our students participated in our Zone School Cross Country Meet at Bowen Park. On November 2, our District qualifiers participated in a very cold, wet and windy meet at Beban. Congratulations, to Cilaire for finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall in the Small Schools division. Thank you to Ms. Villares and Ms. Lavery for inspiring the runners, and organizing the meets.

**Congratulations, to our Zone Participants!**

<u>Mrs. Whiting</u> Alex Kossey Nao Simmons Carissa Hayden Ezekial Smith Daniel O’Leary Evan Menard James Park Marco Schwager	<u>Ms. Losch</u> Julian Eusanio Samantha Kossey	<u>Mrs. Lavery</u> Isabel Schwager Maria Schwager Lily Power Lexie Price Addison Vining Teegan Cash Joe Madill Holden West Avery King Owen Smith-Grounds
<u>Mr. Hocker</u> Gray Talbot Lauren O’Leary Lizzie Rumming Rachel Stevenson Rachel Kalmokoff Jane DeBoer Claire Gray Isabel Gagnon Roman Lavery Jackson Peters Jackson Moretti	<u>Ms. Grubb</u> Cohen Handby Maddy Clark Fiona Stewart Surrena Cook Elizabeth Lavis Trinity Munnik Hunter Finnegan	<u>Ms. Kanhoffen</u> Eli Tait Linden Janaszak Nathaniel Hall



**Way to go, Cilaire!**

**Congratulations to our District Qualifiers!**

<u>Bantam</u> Alex Kossey Nao Simmons Carissa Hayden	<u>Tyke</u> Rachel Stevenson Lauren O’Leary Jane deBoer Gray Talbot
<u>Peewee</u> Lily Power Isabel Schwager Addison Vining Samantha Kossey Maria Schwager Holden West Daniel O’Leary Owen Smith-Grounds Joe Madill Avery King	Fiona Stewart Roman Lavery Cohen Handby Jackson Peters Linden Janaszak Jackson Moretti

**CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS AND VOLUNTEERS**

All volunteers working in the schools and all volunteer drivers must complete a Criminal Record Check in order to be permitted to work with students or drive students on field trips. The Criminal Record Check (CRC) is good for a period of five consecutive years from the date of issue. Please use the following web address to complete and submit the form for your Criminal Record Check to become a school volunteer:

<https://justice.gov.bc.ca/eCRC/home.htm>

You will be prompted for the NLPS access code: **UQ4T7XXBHE**

Thank you for supporting our school. It is with your support that our school field trips, curricular and extra-curricular events can occur.



Div. 5 Enjoys a game of soccer in gym!

### PAC NEWS

Thank you to our PAC for continuing to provide support for our classrooms, student learning and community building events. Our Halloween Dance was a huge success!

Reminder of the following fundraising effort deadlines. We thank you in advance for supporting PAC! We are grateful for all they do!

Nov. 20 – Poinsettia Order forms due.

Nov. 22 – Spirit Wear Orders due.

Nov. 25 – Clap for the Clippers (lots of tickets still for sale in the office)

Nov. – 28 – Purdy’s Orders due.

Dec. 7 & 8 – Poinsettia Order pick up

Dec. 8 – Purdy’s Order pick up



### DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 6 – Spirit Assembly 12:45-1:15pm

Nov. 8 - PAC Meeting, 2:30pm

Nov. 10 - Remembrance Day Assembly

Nov. 13 – SCHOOL CLOSED, Remembrance Day

Nov. 17 – Pizza Hot Lunch

Nov. 20 – Poinsettia Orders Due

Nov. 22 – Spirit Wear Orders Due

Nov. 25 – Clap for the Clippers

Nov. 28 – Purdy’s Orders Due

Dec. 4 – Spirit Assembly 12:45-1:15pm

Dec. 7 & 8 – Poinsettia Order pick up

Dec. 8 – Purdy’s Order pick up

Dec. 13 - PAC Meeting, 7pm

Dec. 20 – Christmas Concert, 12:30pm & 6:00pm

Dec. 22 – Last Day of Classes before Winter Break

Jan. 8 – Schools Re-Open after Winter Vacation

