



# GENERAL WOLFE SCHOOL

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## Important Dates to Remember

Monday, October 8	Thanksgiving	School Not In Session
Tuesday, October 16	PAC meeting	6:30 pm in the library
Thursday, October 18	BC Great Shake Out earthquake drill	10:20 am until recess
Thursday, October 18	District Cross Country Meet	1:00 pm, Trout Lake
Friday, October 19	Provincial Professional Day	School not in session
Monday, Oct. 22 to Monday, Nov. 5	Gymsense Gymnastics	All students during their PE time
Friday, October 26	PAC Halloween Dance	Gym
Tuesday, November 6 & Wednesday, November 7	Early Dismissal Days	Students are dismissed at 2:00 pm

Sept. 28, 2018

Dear Wolfe Parents and Guardians:

It has been a super busy start to the school year, with many initiatives underway. Today we had a very successful Walkathon, many thanks to Jenny Evans and her team of volunteers. The weather was great, the costumes were fun and the event raised school spirit and important funds for student activities and resources.



Today the Minister of Education visited Wolfe for a media event confirming the seismic renovation of our school. We will be housed during the renovation at the swing site behind South Hill education centre (just south east of 41<sup>st</sup> and Fraser). The announcement states that the construction will start in Spring of 2020 and be complete the fall of 2021. There are many more details to come, but it is great to have the formal announcement of funding confirmed. I will let you know more details of the seismic plans as they come available in the coming weeks.



We had a very fun and worthwhile 3 day trip to Camp Jubilee (up Indian Arm) for our grade 6/7 students. The weather was great and the students had a wonderful time getting to know each other and taking on a variety of outdoor challenges and activities. Many thanks to all of the teachers who made this trip possible; Ms. Soper, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Walker, Ms. Cheng, Mr. Smathers, Ms. Lee, Ms. Segers, Ms. Husdon, Ms. Polley and Ms. Cameron.

The school continues to be part of the Communicating Student learning pilot again this year. The majority of elementary schools in the district are participating. To enable teacher's to communicate as best fits the learning in their class, some teachers will be doing conferences/open houses on dates other than the early dismissal days. Each teacher should have communicated their reporting plan to the parents of the students in their class. Please note, that even if they are doing conferences on alternate dates, the early dismissal dates remain the same for the whole school.

Thank you to everyone for reporting your children's absences to the safe arrival system. WE appreciate that most people are remembering to email in absences to [wlfattendance@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:wlfattendance@vsb.bc.ca) or are calling **604-713-5159 extension 93**.



Soccer and Cross Country are both well underway. The senior boys' soccer team has been practicing hard in preparation for their league games which start next week. Interested athletes in grades 3-7 have completed one zone Cross Country mini meets with 2 more to come, and are looking forward to the final district meet on Thursday, October 18th at Trout Lake. Please keep your fingers crossed for good weather for us! Many thanks to Mr. Smathers, Ms. Beeman, and Ms. Oades for their support of this popular event. 

Every year we review and update our safety plans. We have an off-site assembly place organized in case of a gas or sewage leak, or any other event that makes it necessary to leave the building before all parents/guardians can arrange for student pick up. **Our off site assembly area is General Brock School, 4860 Main Street.**

Thank you to all the parents who have completed and returned the verification sheets that were sent home. We would appreciate the return of any outstanding forms as soon as possible.

Many thanks to Stephanie Willox and the hot lunch team for getting hot lunch up and running again. The students seem to be greatly enjoying the menu choices. If you are interested in having your child participate in hot lunch, the link is [cestmoncafe.com](http://cestmoncafe.com). Ordering and payment is all done on line.

Friday October 19th is a Province-wide Professional Day. It is the day that many of the teacher specialist associations hold their conferences and workshops. The staff will be engaged in a variety of learning activities on this day; students do not attend.

Our next PAC meeting of the year is next Tuesday, October 16th at 6:30 pm in the library. There is child care available. All Wolfe parents and guardians are members of our PAC, and this is another important way that you can support the school.

### **Thank You Wolfe Families!**

Our Scholastic Book Fair was a smashing success and it is all thanks to you.

Book Fair proceeds supplement our library budget and go directly towards purchasing new and popular titles for the library collection. The students are always excited to see new books in the library and we all know that excitement for literature is what helps build a lifelong love of reading.

Thank you for all of your support!

Wendy Cameron

Teacher-Librarian



**Family photo night:** Please note, that due to the lack of a photographer, we will not be doing family photo night this year.

### **Halloween Dance-on behalf of the PAC:**

This year's Halloween dance will be held on Friday October 26th. Planning is well underway and parent volunteers are needed to help make this event as fun and safe as possible. If you're interested in helping out while your children are "flossing" the night away, please contact Kate Saunders at [kateAsaunders@gmail.com](mailto:kateAsaunders@gmail.com) for details. Any ideas or suggestions for this year's event are more than welcome.