



Maquinna Elementary School
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REMINDER
All visitors,
please report to
the office.
Late students
to sign-in in the
office.

Maquinna News

October 2024

Mark Your Calendar

- October 8 Individual photos
- October 14 **Thanksgiving – School Closed**
- October 15-17 Book Fair
- October 16-17 Fall Learning Conferences – **Early Dismissal 12:00**
- October 17 Great BC Shakeout at 10:17 a.m.
- October 18 Hat Extravaganza Day
- October 23 Grade 6 immunizations (am)
- October 25 Provincial Pro Day – **No School for Students**
- October 31 Hallowe'en Parade @11:15
- November 5 Individual photo re-takes
- November 6 District Cross Country Meet
- November 8 Wrestling Tournament @ ADSS
- November 8 Remembrance Day Ceremony @11:00
- November 11 **Remembrance Day Holiday – No School**
- November 15 PAC Pizza Day
- November 15 Volleyball wrap-up @ ADSS
- November 18 Pro Day – **No School for Students**
- November 29 Pajama Day



Individual Photo Days

A New Way of Ordering!

1. All students will be photographed on Picture Day.
2. Proofs and ordering information will be printed and sent home with your student.
3. Review pictures and then purchase online or with order form.

Make it simple by ordering your portraits online, using your Picture Day ID and child's first name to get started. If you prefer to order on paper, an order form will be sent home as well.

Early Dismissal Days

Please note that Maquinna will be hosting our Fall Learning Conferences on the following days:
 Wednesday, October 16 & Thursday, October 17

Students will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. on BOTH days to allow teachers to meet with parents/guardians for scheduled appointments. You will be receiving a notice with your appointment time. If you are not able to make your scheduled appointment, please call the office or contact your teacher to reschedule. The bus **will be** running to accommodate early dismissal.

SCHOOL SPIRIT

Some fun to look forward to! Let's show some school spirit with fun theme days!

- Oct 18th – Hat Extravaganza Day
- Nov 29th – Pajama Day
- Dec 20th – Red and Green Day
- Jan 31st – When I grow up, I want to be Day
- Feb 28th – Wild Sock Day
- March 14th – Tie Dye Day
- April 25th – Fancy/Schmancy Day
- May 30th – Wacky Hair Day
- June 20th – Hawaii Shirt Day



Earthquake Preparedness

Our School will be joining thousands of people who will Drop, Cover, and Hold On, October 17, at 10:17 a.m., during the *Great British Columbia ShakeOut!* 54.6 million people are registered to participate in ShakeOut drills world-wide this year, so far. Participating is a great way for your family or organization to become better prepared to survive and recover quickly from big earthquakes.

October 15-17 Mark your calendars!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school!

Our school's Scholastic Book Fair will take place October 15-17 in the library.

Tuesday: 2:30-3:30pm
Wednesday and Thursday: noon-3:30pm

Your investment in your reader helps our whole school. All purchases earn Scholastic Dollars that can be redeemed for books and educational resources for our school's library.

The countdown to more Bookjoy is on!
See you at the Fair!



Upcoming PAC Meetings

October 22
November 19
December 10

1:45 pm
in Room 11



Hallowe'en Celebrations – Tuesday, October 31st

Unless otherwise discussed with your child's classroom teacher, students are welcome to arrive dressed in their costumes. Please make sure your costume is elementary school appropriate. We ask that all weapons and weapon accessories (fake knives, swords, guns, etc.) please be left at home. **For safety reasons, we ask that any parent that arrives on school grounds in costume, to please remove any costume mask prior to coming on the grounds and be sensitive to costumes that can scare young children.** Thank you.

We are excited to host our first PAC Pizza Day of the year on November 15th.

Orders are due no later than October 31 @ 3pm.

HOT LUNCH ORDERING

- ✓ Go to maquinna.hotlunches.net
- ✓ Click on "Click Here to Register"
- ✓ Complete the rest of the registration form. (Including your email address will ensure you receive reminder emails about hot lunch order deadlines, and your student's hot lunch order for the upcoming week)
- ✓ Click the "**Register Now**" button at the bottom
- ✓ Follow the instructions to add each child in your family who attends **Maquinna**. Once your student(s) are registered, click on "Orders"
- ✓ Proceed to order hot lunch for your student(s)

Paper order forms will be sent home with students and are available in the office.



RAINY DAYS

Unfortunately, this is the time of year when the rain begins. Please send children to school with appropriate clothing for the weather. **It is a good idea to leave an extra change of clothing at the school or in their backpacks, just in case.** Thank you for your support.

