



Spring Valley's Bulldog Bulletin

Friday, October 18, 2024

Message from Mr. Cooper:

We are well into October, the fall colours are beautiful, routines have been established and the weather has changed to brisk mornings and warm afternoons. Autumn can be glorious.

We are very proud of our soccer and cross-country athletes, who have represented our school so well at the area sporting events. We also appreciate the many volunteer hours put in by our teachers to make these experiences possible. Flag rugby is next with more events to follow.

Our fundraising efforts for the Terry Fox Foundation have come to an end for this year. Please send in any pledge donations that you still have as soon as you can.

It was so nice to welcome so many of you to our Open House & BBQ. Many thanks to last year's School Council for organizing and hosting that event, which is one of our many great Valley traditions.

Speaking of the School Council, please join me in welcoming the newly elected Executive members listed below. You will soon receive information about our annual Empire Cheese fundraiser and some slightly redesigned Bulldogs Spirit Wear. The best news is that School Cash Online now offers a wide variety of payment options.

Wishing you and your family a spectacular fall season.

Mr. Cooper

What you need to know:

- **Black and Orange Day:** October 31st will be a "seasonal colours" Spirit Day at SVPS. As we strive to be an inclusive, inviting, culturally relevant and responsive school community built on mutual understanding and respect. We recommend that costumes, if your family participates, be left for the evening's events. However, if you plan to send your child(ren) to school in/with a costume, please review these "[Costume Considerations](#)" first. Additionally, consider the following,
 - Students must be able to safely engage in all aspects of the school day (recess, DPA, Gym).
 - Faces must be fully visible, no costume masks.
 - Props that represent a weapon of any kind are to be kept at home.
 - Costumes are worn at the "wearer's" risk and are responsible for mishaps, breakages or lost pieces.
- **Check and dress for the weather:** Be sure to check, or get your children (if they are old enough) in the habit of checking the weather each morning and dressing appropriately. Layers are best and a change of footwear that fits for indoor use can help to keep your child dry and comfortable during the school day.
- **Names in clothes:** Please take a few minutes to write your child's name on the tag of each of the hoodies, hats, coats, etc. that they wear to school. It makes returning them when they are left outside so much easier and will cut down on the growing lost and found pile.
- **Picture day is November 5**, and retakes Nov. 26th.

- [HKPRD Heath Unit Fall Newsletter](#) - Contains important vaccine info and much more.
- **Stay Connected:** Download the School Messenger app from Google Play or the Apple App Store and make sure that we have a current/correct email address and cell phone number on file at the school.
- **Friday, October 25th is a PA Day.**
- **School Council News:**
 - Your School Council has had 2 meetings, so far. A new executive has been elected and the Fundraising Budget Plan has been submitted. Approved minutes will be posted on the school website.
 - The Executive:
 - Chair - Taylor Nelson Co-chair - Mackenzie Yarrow
 - Treasurer - Ed Quinlan Secretary - Ana Burns
 - Additional members: Sarah Budgell (Teacher Rep.), Diana Scott (Community Member), Dana Kinnear, Jaime Runions, Jamie Warren, Katherine Flindall (nonvoting) and Steven Cooper (Principal).

Important dates for the calendar:

- Oct. 22 Jr. Rugby
- Oct. 24 Int. Rugby
- Oct. 25 PA Day
- Oct. 28 Grade 7 Immunization Day
- Oct. 31 Seasonal Colours Orange and Black Dance Day
- Nov. 5 Picture day
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day at SVPS
- Nov. 15 Brighton Santa Claus Parade @ 7:00 p.m.
- Nov. 20 Progress Reports are available
- Nov. 26 Picture retakes
- Dec. 4 Dental Fluoride for JK & SK students
- Dec. 20 Last day of school in 2024
- Jan. 6 First day of school in 2025

Resources you can access:

1. [KPR Parent Corner](#) - Links and information.
2. [KPR's Code of Conduct Interim Guidelines.](#)
3. [Daily School Self-Screening Tool](#)
4. Volunteering: [Volunteer Vulnerable Sectors Letter,](#)
5. [KPR School Cash Online information](#)
6. [STSCO](#)

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