

Weekly Newsletter

18- October - 2023

Principal's Message

Hello DMS families,

I hope that you are all well. Please see below for some information and details.

The District does not have an official policy regarding Halloween costumes, instead we ask that everyone be respectful and mindful of others by following the guidelines below.

- 1. Students must be identifiable and visible to ensure safety.
- 2. Masks are not permitted. Face makeup is permitted provided the student is still identifiable.
- 3. Scary clowns are not permitted.
- 4. Costumes that depict violence, alcohol or drugs are not appropriate.
- 5. Fake weapons are not permitted.
- 6. Costumes that are provocative, sexual in nature or employ questionable props are not permitted.

Costumes should not hinder a student's ability to travel through the school and outdoor space safely.

Please remember that costumes, even with good intent, may make others feel scared, upset, insulted or humiliated. Below are two guiding questions that may help determine appropriateness of costumes for school.

1. Does the costume depict or perpetuate a stereotype or stigma associated with a particular race, culture, religion or gender?

Would the costume be considered offensive to a particular race, culture, religion or gender?



Upcoming Events

Oct. 20th—Non-Instructional day

Oct. 24th—PAC meeting, 6:30pm

Oct. 26th—Lifetouch Retake day

Nov. 13th — Remembrance Day

Nov. 19th— Nights of Lights, 6:00-9:30pm

Nov. 23rd—Dunsmuir Night Market, 4-8pm

Nov. 23rd—3 hours early dismissal

Nov. 24th—Non-Instructional Day

Nov. 28th—PAC meeting, 6:30pm

Dec, **13th**—Purdys pick up

Student Attendance

Is your child is going to be absent, late, or signing out early?

Email Dunsmuir at dunsmuir@sd62.bc.ca as well as your student's teacher(s).
Please include your child's first and last name.

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Please do not call in your attendance.

Thank you!

Other News Continued...

DMS Athletics

Basketball season is just around the corner, and we have had many students attend sign up meetings. Due to the number of students interested we are looking for some parent or community members to help us coach to ensure that we are able to provide a team for all the students to play on. If your child is planning on playing basketball this year and you are able to help coach, please email Meghan Caldwell (mcaldwell@sd62.bc.ca). We would really love to provide all students with the opportunity to play on a team this year but do need help.

Night of Lights Tickets for Hillside Mall's Special Evening (NOL)

The Evening Includes: Chance to Win many Prizes, Tasty Treats, Musical Entertainment and So many In-Store Discounts. This is the perfect place to get lots of your Christmas shopping done. This is a Fundraiser, so the sales from these all come back to the school. Get 2 or more as it's more fun with a friend. The Event is on Sunday Nov 19th from 6pm to 9:30pm. Tickets are \$5 each. Ordering ends at midnight on Nov 11th.

Order them on our <u>dunsmuir.hotlunches.net</u> site or by contacting April at <u>amorgan71@hotmail.com</u>

PAC Hot lunches

dunsmuir.hotlunches.net is running. Orders for November can be placed until October 23rd. It's been a bit bumpy of a start as a bunch of things have had to be changed, but it now looks to be a lot smoother. We could not do it without Parent helpers, Thank you and Please keep in touch with many more to come, dms.paclunches@gmail.com or our Dunsmuir Middle School Parents Facebook group for up to date information.

Tuesday Oct 24th is Cobs Bread Day

Purdys Fundraiser

The School Library is running the Purdys Winter Holiday Fundraiser and will have their orders ready for pickup on December 13th in the library." You can use this link here: https://fundraising.purdys.com/1560078-

108532 and the code is 14028.

Please consider lending a hand when it arrives to help sort and organize it all.

Values Values Act Respectfully Be Kind Create Belonging Develop Resilience

Pizza Orders— Update

We are in the process of changing providers for Pizza.

Stay tuned for paying online— pizza info is getting finalized as we speak!

<u>Athletics</u>

For any information, go to our website

Winter Night Market

Calling all Vendors! Dunsmuir is happy to bring back the Winter Night Market on Thursday November 23 – the same evening as student-led conference/parent-teacher interviews! We are looking for all kinds of vendors: retail, food, craft/artisans. Students are encouraged and welcome to join in too. Tables will be available for \$30.00 each or \$25.00 if you donate an item to our door prize draws. Please see the attached poster for more information. You may contact Fabian Duque-Park (fduquepark@sd62.bc.ca) or Cynthia Major (cmajor@sd62.bc.ca). Sign up and info here: http://bit.ly/DMSnightmarke