

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Crawford Bay School



Principal's Message:

It's been an exciting start to the year, with lots of special events, setting our School Learning Plan, and working creatively together to establish structures for student success. Teachers have been busy, assessing student academic levels and creating plans that incorporate student interest into curricular and core competencies [Curriculum Details](#). By the end of this month, I hope you've had a chance to connect with your child's teacher about their current progress and ways to support their learning. It was wonderful to see so many families at the Fall Fair and the Book and Bake sale. We are excited about continuing our School goal of connectedness, with a focus on gratitude this year. Solid attendance helps so much with learning! We do appreciate that you keep your child home when they are sick. At the same time, it can be hard on students when they miss a lot of school because when they come back, they often feel like they are out of sync with their class, and it can derail learning momentum. Your PAC continues to do an incredible amount of work helping with fundraising, organizing hot lunches, and sharing their valuable input into enhancing learning for all of our students. They're looking for a bigger team, even just more people to come to the meetings, share ideas and support this terrific, small group of parents who do so much for all of our kids. Meetings are at 5PM on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Halloween has been so much fun! And we are already planning our theatrical Winter Concert.

With gratitude,
Victoria



Important Dates:

- Oct 31:** Halloween
- Nov 4:** 2PM Volunteer Orientation
- Nov. 6:** Indigenous Veterans Day
- Nov. 8:** 11AM Remembrance Day Assembly
- Nov. 11:** Remembrance Day - No School
- Nov. 18:** Gr.6 & 9 Immunizations
- Nov. 20 -** End of Term 1
- Nov. 25 -** Report cards sent home
- Dec. 19:** Winter Concert



East Shore Youth Network

My name is Angie and with Julia, we are the Youth Coordinators for the East Shore Youth Network. We are one of 27 youth networks in the Columbia Basin, funded by the Columbia Basin Trust, and serve all youth from Boswell to Riondel.

Our mission and vision is to educate and empower youth and to improve their well being, education, physical and mental health. This will be achieved through positive programming that builds confidence, inspires passion and is most of all fun!

Our values and goals include encouraging youth as citizens and masters of their own experience, strengthening the resilience of youth in the face of life's challenges, and enabling all young people to meet their basic needs associated with a successful transition to adulthood.

Youth ages 12 - 18 are invited to join us and we can be contacted by email or at school in the Esyn office.

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September & OCTOBER EVENTS

September and October
have been off to a busy
start!

In September we had the
Cops for Kids visit our
school to raise funds and
awareness for local
children facing illness,
disability, or traumatic crisis

September 27th was our
annual Terry Fox run, with
both students and staff
participating. We raised
over \$800 for cancer
research!



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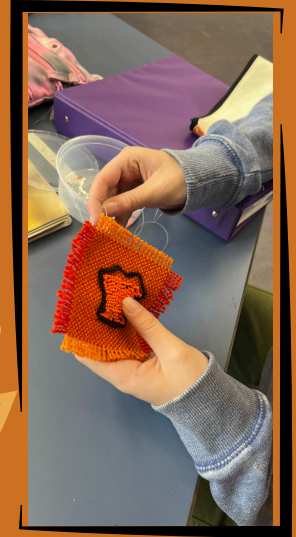
October 1 was Orange Shirt Day. An assembly was held with a tree planting ceremony after.

Oct. 11 we had a book and bake sale here at the school, where we were able to raise over \$900 for new books for our library!

Our Fall festival took place on October 17.



Orange Shirt DAY



The first weeks of September were very busy at Crawford Bay School with the students learning about Truth and Reconciliation and the history of Indigenous people in British Columbia and Canada.

The students worked on many projects leading up to Orange Shirt Day. Classes beaded orange shirts, read books, and did thoughtful hallway displays, helping students of all ages understand what the thousands of children that attended Residential Schools experienced.

An assembly was held on Orange Shirt Day, students watched a video of Phyllis Webstad telling her story of how Orange Shirt Day originated. Students then colored cutout leaves and wrote words on them that helped them feel safe and happy at school. The feathers were made into a colorful hallway display. Everyone then went outside to participate in drum songs and planting of a remembrance Mountain Ash Tree.

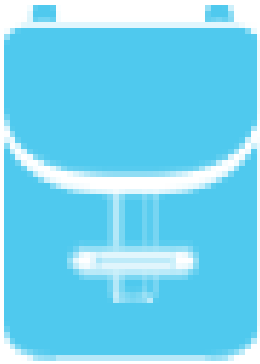
This year we are excited to have Grandmother Donna coming again to drum with the classes. In June, last year, Crawford Bay School held a special celebration day honoring Grandmother Donna Wright. We presented her with the embroidered quilt that the whole school worked on. Everyone then enjoyed a traditional feast that the students made. It was a wonderful day.

We plan to accomplish many projects to deepen our understanding of Indigenous culture and history.



FALL FAIR

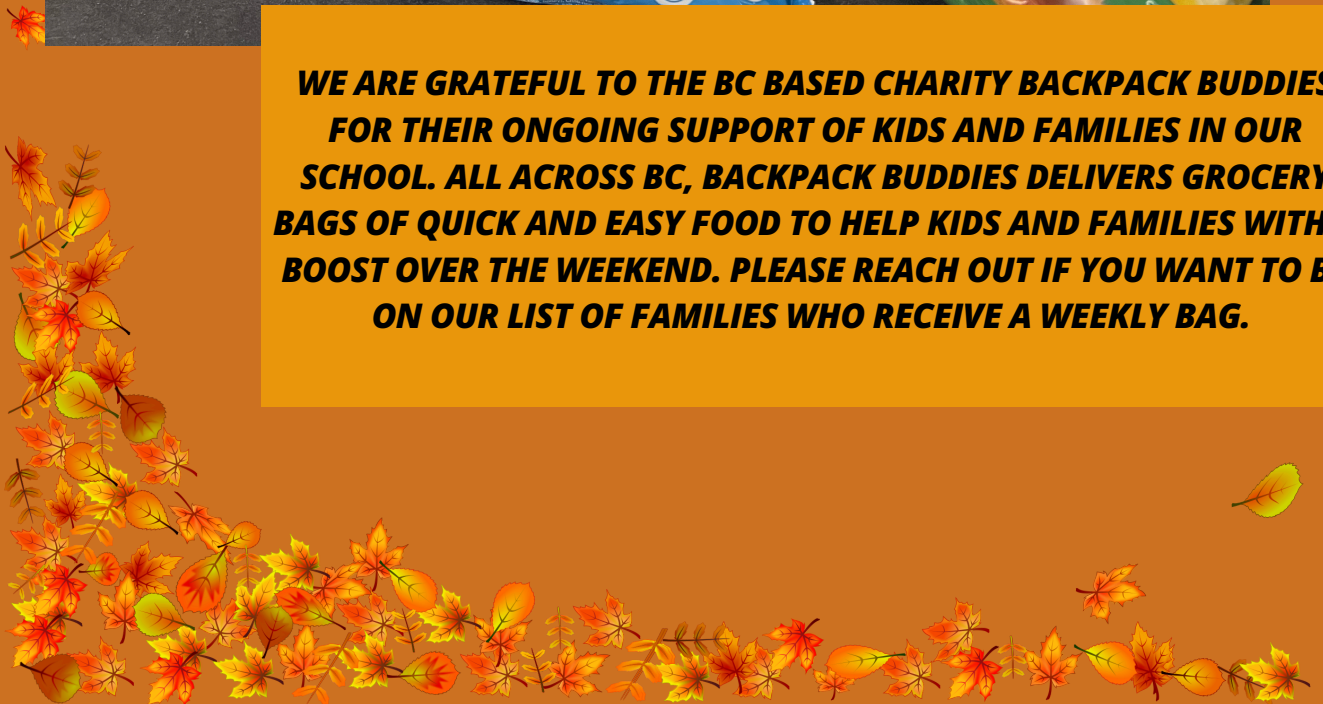




Backpack Buddies



WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE BC BASED CHARITY BACKPACK BUDDIES FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT OF KIDS AND FAMILIES IN OUR SCHOOL. ALL ACROSS BC, BACKPACK BUDDIES DELIVERS GROCERY BAGS OF QUICK AND EASY FOOD TO HELP KIDS AND FAMILIES WITH A BOOST OVER THE WEEKEND. PLEASE REACH OUT IF YOU WANT TO BE ON OUR LIST OF FAMILIES WHO RECEIVE A WEEKLY BAG.



Wolf Pack

October 2024

Our Salmon Forest

We have been working hard to create a mural representing our learning about Kokanee Salmon. Come by and check it out!



Upcoming Events

Wloka Farm Field Trip: October 22

No school: October 25

Costume Party: October 31

Halloween

We will be having a class party for Halloween. Students may come to school in costume. Costumes should not include weapons or gore. Please send in a party snack for your child to share with the class.

Reminders

We have library on Mondays. Please be sure to send books back on Monday mornings so that new ones can be chosen.

It's getting cooler

We have Outdoor ED every Monday and Friday. Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather.