



Virtue of the Month is

TRUST



Principal's message:

Dear Families,

Welcome to October! I am pleased to say that everyone has adjusted well to their new classrooms and routines. We look forward to virtually meeting and sharing with parents during (individual teacher) Open House as well as Parent Teacher Conference week. Teachers will be connecting with their individual classroom families.

Open House or Meet the Teacher Night will look different this year. Here are ways your child's teacher may connect with families:

- create a video or take photos and send via email
- Live Microsoft Teams Chat
- Create an Interactive Classroom (Google Slide) send via email or share in google classroom
- Fresh Grade post and share with all families
- Newsletter and send a hard copy home and/or email



Please sign up for an interview time!

Sign up sheets for parents will be posted on teacher's outside doors or windows from Tuesday, October 13th through to October 16th - from 8:30 - 3:30 -

School Information:



October is Fire Safety and Prevention Month.

Please speak about fire/earthquake safety procedures with your children. Discuss what you can do at home to encourage fire/earthquake safety, such as creating evacuation routes and holding practice drills. Cinnabar Valley students and staff will participate, again this year, in the Great British Columbia Shake Out with thousands of Canadians on October 15th at 10:00am.

School Cash Online- District News

As you know we have made several modifications to how we operate in order to mitigate the risk of COVID-19. We want to assure you that the health and safety of your family and our staff is our high priority.

As part of those modifications, we are asking you to use our new online system to complete permission forms etc. and as a payment system (School Cash Online) to purchase school items when you can. Cash can play a significant role in virus transmission, and we are working toward following the World Health Organization (WHO) recommendations to use contactless payments to mitigate virus spread.

Paying school fees and signing school forms online is fast and easy and can be done from any computer or smartphone.

Get setup in three simple steps:

1. **Create Your Profile:** Go to <https://nlps.schoolcashionline.com> and click on "Register" and fill in all appropriate fields.
2. **Confirm Your Email:** Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside.
3. Sign in with your new login details.
4. **Add a Student:** Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.

More information and instructions on how to sign up and use School Cash Online are available here <https://www.sd68.bc.ca/schoolcashionline/>.

Administering Medication at School

Some students must take medication while attending school. If this is the case, parents need to fill out a request for administration of Physician prescribed medication. All medication must be locked up in the office area and administered by the staff member that has signed the request form. If you have to send medication to school with your child, please check in with the office in order to be in compliance with district policy.



Thank you to all the parents and caregivers for your careful driving and scanning of our parking lot and crosswalk at the end of the day. It is a very busy parking lot and your care and attention is greatly appreciated.

Important Dates to Note:

October 8th - Teacher Appreciation Day

October 9th - No School - Pro-D for Staff

October 12th - Thanksgiving Day - No school

October 13th - PAC meeting

October 15th - Shake Out BC - school drill

October 19-22 - Parent Teacher Conferences - Dismissal (one-hour early) Monday through Thursday

October 23rd - Non - Instructional Day - no school

October 27th - Photo retakes

October 30th - Annual Pumpkin contest - to be viewed outside

November 1st - Daylight Saving Time ends -Turn back clocks one-hour🕒

November 11th - Remembrance Day

December 18th - Last day of classes before winter break

January 4th - Schools reopen after winter break



Reminders:



Social Responsibility:

Personal and social competency encompasses what students need to thrive as individuals, to understand and care about themselves and others, and to find and achieve their purposes in the world



It is important for our students to remember to bring their water bottles to school. This week alone the office has delivered close to a dozen water bottles brought in by parents. To avoid interrupting instructional time as well as respecting Covid exposure guidelines, we ask that if drop off is necessary, to please email the office and drop off the water bottle at your child's outside classroom door.

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOUR CREATIONS



CINNABAR VALLEY'S ANNUAL PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

THIS YEAR, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUMPKIN CARVING OR DECORATING CONTEST, PLEASE MAKE SURE TO BRING YOUR CREATION TO THE SCHOOL'S FRONT DOOR ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 30TH OUR PAC CHAIR AND HELPERS WILL BE THERE TO GREET YOU AND HELP YOU SET UP YOUR PUMPKIN. PLEASE PUT YOUR OWN BATTERY OPERATED TEALIGHT INSIDE. NAME AND GRADE MUST BE ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER PUMPKINS WILL BE SENT HOME AFTER SCHOOL!



PUMPKINS WILL BE DISPLAYED OUTSIDE THE FRONT OF SCHOOL ALL DAY FOR PARENTS **Pumpkin decorating categories: K-2, 3-5, 6-7 & Best Family Designed Pumpkin**



**Our Kindergarten students will be celebrating with an Orange and Black theme 😊
They will enjoy a day full of fun station activities.**

Our Grades One through Seven students will have the option of dressing up if they choose. This year we are asking that costumes be simple. (No Props please). These grades may also choose the black and orange theme if preferred.

The Day will end with a treat bag from PAC. Thank you to Marnie Strijckers and PAC volunteers for this additional treat.

***Just a reminder that masks and fake weapons are not permitted for various reasons including protecting our younger students from **being scared**. If a student has a mask that compliments his/her costume, (that is not scary and is easy to see through) it may be worn during the parade **only-** (with teacher or Principal permission).

The parade will take part outside on the field - for those classrooms that wish to take part..