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The Eagle's Nest

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Poetry has never been a strong passion of mine, but there is one that has always stuck with me. That is, The Road Less Traveled, by Robert Frost. When you send your child to NCS, you are taking the road less traveled. You may experience difficulties along the way; financial, bigger and better programs or whatever. However, what we do here can never be duplicated elsewhere. It's a place where you learn how God works through all aspects of life and how to be fully grounded in who Christ calls you to be. And in the end that makes all the difference. I wouldn't want my children any place else.

Mrs. S. De Schiffart

Calendar of Events

Sept. 28th—Grade 6 & 9 immunizations

Oct. 8,9—PD Teachers Conference, no classes

Oct. 12th—Thanksgiving, no classes

Oct. 30th—Parent/Teacher Conferences for K-12, no classes

Nov. 6th—Report Card Writing, K-12, no classes

No. 11th—Remembrance Day, no classes

Did you know that if you wash your hands five times a day you reduce the possibility of flu by 30%?

As H1N1 Virus reports on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, NRGH, and flu like illnesses are received it is important to remind everyone of the following release printed in our previous newsletter. While a healthy level of concern is wise, we need not be fearful. We will get through the flu. We have not had a medically confirmed case reported to our office, yet the possibility of the swine flu being around us is very likely. However, we want everyone to know that it is a reality and those that are at risk for serious diseases (pregnant women, asthma, diabetes, heart, lung and immuno-suppressive conditions) particularly need to take extra care in their daily habits. Those with flu like illnesses may need to stay at home for up to 7 days or until they are able to participate in all normal activities. A doctor's visit for complications is advised.

When the school identifies a sick student with possible flu-like symptoms we will call home to have the student isolated from the class. We will ask that a mask is worn and will have that student separated from others by a minimum of two metres.

- Wash your hands frequently, soap & water are in the washrooms and hand sanitizers are in the offices and classrooms.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth without having washed your hands first.
- Use tissue when coughing or sneezing and discard in the garbage after use.
- Use your arm or sleeve when coughing or sneezing if tissue is not available.
- Clean hard surfaces such as keyboards and phones with alcohol based wipes

We recommend you visit the following hotlinks:
www.healthlinksbc.ca or www.fightflu.ca

And for your additional information the cleaning staff do make disinfectant wiping of common surfaces a daily matter. This procedure is given to desktop surfaces, doorways, door knobs, and commonly used surfaces.

Mark your Calendars! Thursday October 16th NCS is partnering with Good Cents Co. & Nanaimo Full Gospel Church to bring you a workshop; **Successful Debt-Free living and Biblical Stewardship**. Where? Here at the school, 7-9PM, Building B. The workshop is free, and one you cannot afford to miss. Good Cents Co. owners Laurie & Dave Lee say.....

“Worry is the interest you pay when you live on credit”

Our goal is simple, to help families and individuals plan for a debt free future. This is achieved through education, goal setting, a comprehensive budget and financial coaching. We prioritize your bills to pay down debt as quickly as possible and align your spending habits with your personal goals.

If you would like to attend please call (250-754-4512 ext. 115) or email Corina @ business.ncs@shaw.ca.

Once again NCS is offering our “Grocery and Gift Card” program. This program enables you to order grocery, gas, restaurant and other retail stores gift cards, while NCS gets the benefit of cash back to support the purchase of extra sport equipment, books, classroom needs, etc. All you need to do is complete an order form, attach a cheque and return the order to me. I will be placing an order on the first Monday of each month (Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7, etc.). Your order will be sent home with your child on the following Friday. You can make a one time order or you can have a standing monthly order. I have gift cards from Save-On Foods, Thrifty’s and Quality Foods at the school so you can always come in to the office at any time to pick up cards for your groceries. The order form is attached to this newsletter. Cheques are made payable to NCS. If you have any questions please don’t hesitate to contact me, Dawna Ferris, at 250-754-4512 ext 3. This is a great opportunity for your to support the school while you are doing your regular shopping and there is not additional cost to you! Thank you for your support.

Child Seat Laws

All driver’s must ensure that all children (under 16 years) are restrained appropriately as described below.

Up to one year and 9 kg (20 lbs)

Rear facing child car seat NOT on a front seat with an active air bag.

Over one year and 9 kg to 18 kg (20-40 lbs)

Forward facing child car seat. May remain rear-facing if allowed by manufacturer’s weight limit.

Over 18 kg (40 lbs.) until 9th birthday unless they have reached 145 cm (4’9”) in height.

Booster seat and a lap/shoulder seat belt.

May remain in forward-facing child car seat if allowed by manufacturer’s weight limit.

If no lap/shoulder seat belt, must be secured without a booster seat by lap belt.

For more information, please call the Child Seat Info Line: 1-877-247-5551

France Trip

Nanaimo Christian School will be offering an optional cultural tour of France during Spring Break. We plan to visit the Louvre, Versailles, three castles in the Loire Valley, two cathedrals and the Canadian War Memorial in Caen. The tour is available to French 11 and 12 students, and including breakfast and dinner daily, accommodations, entrance to venues, transportation, and airfares will cost \$3,000. For further information please contact Miss Scholman at bscholman@nanaimochristianschool.ca



Pies
 The NCS French 11 and 12 students participating in the France trip are selling home made pies just time for Thanksgiving. We are offering home made apple and pumpkin pies at a cost of \$8.00 each or two for \$15.00. Please contact any France trip participant or email Miss Scholman at bscholman@nanaimochristianschool.ca

The **School Directory** has now been sent home and we would like to remind parents/students to be considerate of teachers time away from school. If a call to the teacher is very important please be mindful of the time that you call them ie: supper time, too late in the evening etc. Thank you for your consideration.

Reminder – Society membership dues are due!
Please submit your \$10 per person to the front office before Friday October 2nd. If you would like to become a society member please email Corina @ business.ncs@shaw.ca for information.

Kid's Klub Preschool has a few spaces left. Please contact Shelly Yates @ 250-667-4222 if you are wanting more information.

Carpool Request

If you are interested in carpooling from the Diver Lake area please call Trish Turkstra at 751-0615.

"Youth Pastor Adam Browett from ET Family Church is looking to rent a large 4 or 5 bdr home to house his growing family preferably by Nov 1st... Please contact him directly if you know of anything that is available at adam@nanaimoet.com or 250 802 5433"



There has been a theft of small lego men and toys that have been left in the cubbies. If parents suddenly have an influx of lego men in their house they probably belong in grade three. Parents should also be encouraged to remind kids to not leave their toys in clear view between breaks so that others are not tempted to take them.