



Thank you Corrie Benard

I would like send out a huge thank you to Corrie Benard for her many years of service and involvement in our Community Parent Advisory Council. As of this week, Corrie has stepped down as president of our CPAC. If I am not mistaken, she has been a member of the Forest Grove CPAC for 13 years and has spent the last 7 years as CPAC president. During these years, our CPAC has made so many great things happen at the school, such as acquiring and setting up our large outdoor play equipment, coordinating volunteers to help build our fitness trail, purchasing and setting up our indoor climbing wall, and purchasing a wide variety of sports equipment. Our CPAC has also bought all kinds of books and electronic equipment for the school including cameras, computer tablets, digital video projectors, and most recently document cameras for classroom use. In addition to all of these physical purchases, our CAPC has been our main source of funding for our field trips and our breakfast and lunch programs at the school. For those of you who wonder what a CPAC does for a school, I hope this tribute to Corrie helps to illustrate how valuable a parent group can be to a school. It is hard to imagine where we would be today were it not for a strong CPAC over the years. On behalf of our school community I would like to thank you, Corrie Benard, for your many years of service and leadership!

School Photo Retakes



We will be doing our photo retakes on **Thursday, November 5th**. I would like to make sure that parents know that our CPAC will be purchasing a 5 x 7 class photo for every student in the school. Order forms recently went home so parents could purchase individual photos. Please return these to the school as soon as possible.

Community and Parent Advisory Council News

1. The CPAC held their Annual General Meeting on Monday, November 2nd. Here are this year's Executive Committee members as elected at the meeting:

- PresidentKristy Abrams
- Vice PresidentKristan Deneef
- TreasurerJessica Drennan
- SecretaryHeather Williamson



I would like to thank each of these parent volunteers for stepping up and taking on these important positions. I look forward to working with all of you in the upcoming days!

Parents and guardians are welcome to attend regular meetings held at the school the first Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. These meetings are being held in the gymnasium and no children are able to attend at this time. We will all be required (as all visitors to the building) to sign in, wash hands upon entry and wear face masks until our COVID-19 protocols change.

2. Purdy's Chocolates Orders

Students should have brought home order forms for our annual Purdy's Christmas fundraiser this week (they were given out on Tuesday, November 3rd).



All orders are due back to the school or placed online by Monday, November 16th.

(Late orders will not be able to be accepted)

Orders will be at the Forest Grove School for **pick up on Friday November 27th**.

3. Scholastic Books



Corrie Benard has been working with Scholastic Books to streamline the ordering of books. Ordering will soon be moving to online only with home delivery. We will let you know when online ordering becomes available.

Remembrance Day

1. Remembrance Day Assembly

Forest Grove Elementary will be holding our annual Remembrance Day Assembly (students and staff only this year) in the gym on Tuesday, November 10th starting at 11:05 AM. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will not be opening this assembly to parents or members of the public.



2. Poppy Donations

Every student will be given a poppy on November 10th for Remembrance Day. **Parents are asked to please send a small donation** to give back for the poppy that their child will receive on the day of the assembly (to be held on Tuesday, Nov 10th). **Donations will go to our local Forest Grove Legion.**

3. School closed on Wed. Nov 11th

Parents are reminded that school is not in session on Wednesday, November 11th. School will resume on Thursday, November 12th.

Coats For All 2020



Coats for All is once again collecting clothing such as coats, snowsuits, toques, mittens and scarves. **Clothing items can be taken to the 100 Mile Laundromat** (located in Owen Square, across from the library). If possible, please wash clothes before donating them and label them "washed."

The donated clothing will be available free from November 5th to November 30th, at Loaves and Fishes, 100 Mile Food Bank, the Stemetewuwi Friendship Centre, and Canim Lake and Canoe Creek Bands.

Also, on Saturday, November 14th and 28th only, from 10:00 Am to 1:00 PM, warm winter outerwear will be available to anyone at St. Timothy's Anglican Church to help those families who don't normally go to the distribution sites.

* Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, everyone is asked to wear a mask and practice safe distancing. *For more information Call Annie at (250) 395-6054.*

Forest Grove Elementary Calendar of Events

November 2020

Date	Event & Details
Mon November 2	CPAC Annual General Meeting (5:00 PM)
Thurs November 5	Photo Retakes
Wed November 11	Remembrance Day
Mon November 16	Purdys Orders Due
Wed November 18	Hot Lunch
Fri November 27	Purdys Orders ready to pick up at the school
Upcoming (December)	
Tues December 8	Report Cards sent home with students today
Wed December 16	Hot Lunch
Friday December 18	Last day of school before Christmas Break