

# **NOVEMBER NEWS**



### **Administrator's Message**



October brought us stunning weather and a vibrant energy across our school community. From classroom projects to outdoor adventures, it's been a month full of learning, connection, and celebration.

One of the highlights this month was watching our Grade 7–12 students take on the challenge at Oyama Aerial Park. This outdoor adventure park features a series of elevated ropes courses, zip lines, and climbing obstacles nestled in the trees of Oyama. It's designed to test balance, courage, and teamwork.

We were so proud to witness our students face their fears, conquer physical and mental challenges, and support one another through every step. Whether cheering from the ground or helping a peer across a tricky section, the spirit of encouragement and collaboration was truly inspiring. A huge thank you to our PAC for making this day possible! Please continue to bring in receipts from Nature's Fare and Butcher Boys. These programs help fund PAC-led activities and events like this one. Every receipt counts!

November is a great time to check in with your child's mental health. For tips and resources, visit <u>Talking to Youth About Mental</u> Health.

For Grade 8 - 12 families, please review your child's Mid-Course Learning Update available on November 12.

Bring on the snow!







## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### K - 7 Students at St. Anne's Pumpkin Patch







#### **Important Dates**

- November 4: Lion's Vision Screening for Grades K, 3, 6
- November 4: GLA/GNA CANCELLED
- November 5: Elementary Activity Day @ Science Center
- November 6: GLA/GNA CANCELLED
- November 10: Professional Development Day (no school)
- November 11: Remembrance Day (no school)
- November 12: Elementary Activity Day @ Marshall Fields/OKL Fire Hall
- November 12: Grade 8 12 Learning Updates released
- November 13: UBC-O STEM Field Trip for Grades 3 6
- November 19: Elementary Activity Day @ vLearn (Lego/STEM)
- November 19: PAC Meeting (all welcome)
- November 24: Coldstream Human Library Field Trip for Grades 6/7

## Remembrance Day

The annual Remembrance Day ceremony at Kal Tire Place will start at 10:35 am on November 11.





## North Okanagan Youth and Family Services Society

NOYFSS provides counselling and support services to individuals and families in our community through a variety of community based and specialized home programs FREE OF CHARGE. They host a variety of child, teen, and family groups, as well as events. Learn more about upcoming groups and events here: <a href="https://noyfss.org/">https://noyfss.org/</a>



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#### **Volleyball Academy**

This month, students in the Beyond Sport Volleyball Academy had the unique opportunity to hear from former CFL athlete and motivational speaker Angus Reid. Known for his 13-season career with the BC Lions and two Grey Cup championships, Angus brought more than just football stories, he delivered a powerful message about resilience, teamwork, and personal growth.

Angus shared insights from his journey as a professional athlete, emphasizing the importance of mental toughness, preparation, and the power of showing up even when things get hard. His message resonated deeply with our student-athletes, many of whom are learning to balance the demands of sport and academics.

The Beyond Sport Volleyball Academy continues to build a strong reputation for fostering a positive sport culture. Students are encouraged to support one another, push past personal limits, and grow not only as athletes but as confident, capable individuals. Angus's visit reinforced these values, reminding students that success is not just about talent, but about commitment, character, and community.

vLearn is proud and grateful to be able to offer academy programs like Beyond Sport Volleyball Academy as part of SD22's academic options. These programs help students develop the skills to thrive both on the court and in the classroom, building well-rounded individuals who understand the value of hard work, balance, and perseverance.





Learn more about SD22 Academies <u>HERE</u> and join us for our upcoming information evening on **January 14, 2026** hosted at Clarence Fulton Secondary.