



Upcoming Dates

Nov

4-5 – Grade 6 Immunizations
6 – Family Board Game Night 6:30
10 – Remembrance Day Assembly
11 – Remembrance Day STAT
19 – Fire Drill
20 – Early Dismissal 11:41
21 – Non-Instructional Day
26 – PAC Meeting 7PM
28 – Grupo America Performance

Dec

5 – Term 1 Ends
8 – Term 2 Begins
8 – Fire Drill
17 – PAC Meeting 7PM
18 – Term 1 Reports Published
22- Jan 2 – Winter Break

“With gratitude and respect, we acknowledge that we live, learn, and work on the traditional territories of the Coast Salish: T’Sou-ke Nation, SĆIÁNEW (Beecher Bay) Nation, and the Nuw-chah-nulth: Paačiid̓ath̓ (Pacheedaht) Nation. We also recognize that some of our schools are located on the traditional territories of the MÁLEXEL (Malahat) Nation, and the Lək̓ʷəŋ peoples of Songhees and Esquimalt Nations. Hych’ka, Kleco Kleco.”



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This Week in Sports

WILDCATS WEEKLY FOR PARENTS

Oct 27-31, 2025

Pekelanew Moon - First Frost, Leaves Turn White - 13 Moons of the Wsanec

Mon 27	- Media Literacy Week starts - Crochet Club (lunch)
Tues 28	SOGI Club (lunch)
Wed 29	- Intramurals - Lahal Club (lunch) - Game Ready 3-5 PM
Thurs 30	- Pizza Day 🍕 - Leadership (lunch)
Fri 31	Happy Halloween! School dance (afternoon) and activities planned. 🎃

FROM THE PRINCIPAL & VICE-PRINCIPALS

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We hope you are having a great week! The fall illnesses are upon us, so please keep your kids home to rest if they are sick. We hope you and your family are staying happy and healthy.

We are now approximately mid-way through the term, and have asked teachers to informally report on how students are doing, this could look like an email, an Interim Report, a phone call, etc. The end of term is before the Winter Break. If you have not heard from your teacher, please reach out to them.

Just a reminder, that this Friday is a Professional Learning Day for staff, so no school for students. We will all be back here on Monday, October 27th.

Enjoy the rest of your week ahead. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please reach out to us. Please read on for updates below, including information about Media Literacy Week, Halloween activities and more.

Best wishes,

Jen Nixon, Principal

Jason Bishop, Vice-Principal (students A-L)

Todd Powell, Vice-Principal (students M-Z)

ACTION ITEMS

- ☐ 🎃 **Halloween** – We encourage students to dress up for Halloween, as we have many activities planned, including a haunted house, and afternoon dance. Costumes MUST follow the guidelines which have been shared. Read below for more info.
- 🍵 **Herbal Tea** – Bring a mug every Wednesday - our Nat’ssta’maht Indigenous Education Department serves Red Moon herbal tea every Wednesday after lunch recess. We ask students to please bring their own mug and keep it in their locker if



Spencer PAC Fundraising Codes

Peninsula Co-op:
47416

GFL Bottle Depot (Dunford):
933

Cobs Bakery: Mention
"Spencer Middle School"

possible.

- ★ **Spencer Spirit Wear on sale NOW** – We have Spencer clothing on sale for a limited time. Get your orders in now so you can wear them on Spirit Day Fridays. **Last week to order, as all orders must be in by Nov 1.** Here is the [LINK](#).
- 📦 **Materials Needed** – Our Textiles Teacher could use wool for crocheting and large swatches of fabric. If you have any to donate, please drop it at the office.

UPDATES & INFORMATION

👤 **Media Literacy Week** - is happening next week and many of our teachers and Teacher Librarian will be doing activities to support digital and media literacy. For more information, here is the [website](#) for media literacy week. It has great resources for parents. Another site which has wonderful resources for parents is [Safer Schools Together](#).

🎭 **Clubs** – we pride ourselves on having many different clubs for students to sign up for. We are working on getting our club schedule finalised. In the meantime, students can hear about clubs every morning on the announcements. Some clubs running right now include: Crochet, Lahal, Leadership, Cheer, Musical Theatre, and Tabletop Gaming, among others.

🕒 **Save the Date – Family Board Game Night** is happening on November 6th. This is a fun-filled night for the whole family, sponsored by the PAC and the Board Game Cafe. Admission is free (by donation) and all proceeds support school programs. Come roll the dice, make some memories, and enjoy a great night together!

🌿 **Grade 6 Immunizations** - happening on November 4-5. Stay tuned to receive a letter from Island Health.

🎃 **Halloween Guidelines** – We dress up here at Spencer, but here are the district guidelines which must be followed:

Although the District does not have an official Halloween policy, we ask all families to follow these guidelines to help create a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment:

- Students must be identifiable and visible at all times.
- Masks are not permitted. Face makeup is allowed as long as the student remains easily recognizable.
- Scary clown costumes are not permitted.
- Costumes that depict violence, alcohol, or drugs are not appropriate.
- Fake weapons of any kind are not allowed.
- Costumes should not be provocative, sexual in nature, or use inappropriate props.
- Costumes must allow students to move safely through the school and outdoor spaces.

Please keep in mind that even well-intentioned costumes can sometimes cause others to feel scared, upset, or excluded. Two guiding questions may help when choosing a costume to wear at school:

- Does the costume depict or perpetuate a stereotype or stigma associated with a particular race, culture, religion, or gender?
- Could the costume be considered offensive to a particular race, ethnicity, religion, or gender?

🏃 **PE and Health Curriculum** - As part of the PE and Health Curriculum in BC, all students learn grade specific information related to consent, healthy relationships, and sexual health. Please see the letters for each grade which outline what will be covered by your

child's classroom teacher, in conjunction with the Curriculum Coordinator, this year:

- ☐ [Grade 6 Letter to Parents](#)
- ☐ [Grade 7 Letter to Parents](#)
- ☐ [Grade 8 Letter to Parents](#)

🍫 **Purdy Chocolate Christmas Fundraiser** - Supporting our Vietnam Cultural/Educational 2026 Spring Break Tour. Get a head start on your Christmas shopping with delicious Purdy's Chocolates. Click the link to order: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1712366-130632>

🍱 **EDO Japan Hot Lunch** – Hot Lunch is now available to order for the month of November. Please order through [School Cash online](#).

🍔 **Subway Hot Lunch** – Hot Lunch is now available to order for the month of November. Please order through [School Cash online](#).

🏀 **This Week in Sports** - Visit [This Week in Sports](#) to see what sports are happening this week!

🏠 **Attendance** - Please email us in advance at spencermiddleschool@sd62.bc.ca if your child will be absent, late or needs and early pick up.

FROM THE PAC

👥 The next PAC Meeting is **TONIGHT, October 22 at 7PM** in the Library. All are welcome! Follow us on Facebook! **We know it can be difficult to remember our fundraising codes in the moment, so please consider saving the photo on the left within your camera roll.** These codes contribute significantly to our PAC funds each year! Please direct any questions to spencerpac62@gmail.com.

FROM THE COMMUNITY

Family Resources - This month, FamilySmart is here with spaces for you to connect, learn, and feel supported:

- [Free Online Events](#): Join our Fall Series as we discuss ADHD and OCD.
- [In-Person Events](#): Opportunities to come together with other parents and caregivers in Richmond and Cowichan Valley.
- [Family Peer Support](#): Free, no-waitlist support from people who have been there too.