

# OTTER NEWS

September 26, 2022

Upcoming Events	
Date	Event
September 27	Picture Day
September 27	PAC Meeting 7:00PM via Zoom
September 29	Orange Shirt Day
September 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation – Statutory Holiday, students not in session
October 4	Fire Drill
October 5	World Teacher's Day
October 7	Spirit Day – Western Day
October 10	Thanksgiving – No school in session
October 12	Grade 6 Immunizations
October 13	Rock and Roll Performance
October 14	Interims go home

## Meet the Teacher Night – THANK YOU!

Big thank you to all the parents that made it out to Meet the Teacher last night. It was so nice to spend time connecting with you all and we hope to plan more opportunities for you to visit. A big thank you to the PAC and all the volunteers for preparing hot dogs for our guests.

## Terry Fox Run

Students were so excited to participate in the Terry Fox Run again. For our grade 1's, this the first time they have joined us in the neighbourhood and they did an amazing job completing the loop. Thank you to all the volunteers and neighbours who took time out of their day to make sure our kids made it around safely.

**In total, North Otter was able to raise \$975.80 in donations to help support the fight against cancer.**

## D&D Club Volunteers Needed

Do you love playing Dungeons & Dragons (5<sup>th</sup> Edition)? Do you like helping young minds grow by going on epic adventures? Are you free Fridays 2:20-3:20? If you answered yes to all three of these questions, then North Otter D&D Club could use your help. If you have working knowledge of D&D 5E and would be interested in being a Dungeon Master for the club, then please email Mr. Garland as soon as possible ([dgarland@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:dgarland@sd35.bc.ca)). A working knowledge of the game is REQUIRED. Thank you for your support so that we can have more Otters going on adventures!

## Breakfast Club Volunteers

The Breakfast Club is looking for volunteers to help with serving meals during the morning. If you are able to help out, please reach out to Cheri ([cherimcbride@gmail.com](mailto:cherimcbride@gmail.com)) and let her know your availability.

If you are interested in volunteering for other future events at North Otter, please complete a [volunteer form here](#)

### **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

Due to the statutory holiday on September 30<sup>th</sup>, North Otter will be remembering National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day) on September 29<sup>th</sup>. We encourage parents to talk with their children about why we recognize the day. We know orange shirts are hard to find this time of the year and if you find yourself without one, that's ok. We often have students/staff pin an orange heart or orange shirt on their shirt to show they care.

### **Noon Hour Supervisor Wanted**

If you or someone you know loves working with kids and is interested in joining our supervision team during the lunch hour, we are looking for a noon hour supervisor. A successful candidate must meet the following criteria:

- Completion of Grade 10.
- First Aid Certificate (Level I)
- Ability to interact with students in an effective manner.
- Ability to communicate effectively using tact and discretion in the explanation and clarification of information.
- Ability to use judgement in applying established methods and procedures.
- Physical ability to perform the required duties.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 11:40am – 12:40pm.

If you are interested or need more information, please contact Mr. Woelders

[dwoelders@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:dwoelders@sd35.bc.ca)

### **Students Arriving Late**

If your child is arriving late, please keep in mind that attendance has already been submitted and students will need to check in with the office. If you arrive after 8:40AM, please drop your child off at the front of the building and have them check in with Mrs. Hajt.

### **Staying Connected**

Much of the communication this year will come from school-wide emails and information posted on the school website. Please ensure that we have your most up-to-date email address on MyEd. The calendar on our [school website](#) shows all the events as they are added or amended by our school staff and front office.

### **Otter Athletics**

We are excited to welcome back the volleyball and cross country teams at North Otter. This week we will be hosting a meeting for all grade 6 and 7 students interested in competing this year. Please encourage your child to attend the meeting and to give the sport a try. No prior experience is needed and it's a great way to connect with new friends.

Athletic fees will be \$20 and cover the cost of athletic gear (tshirt, water bottle, bag, etc.).

### ***Volleyball Schedule (until further notice)***

Tuesday – 2:15-2:45

Wednesday – lunch hour

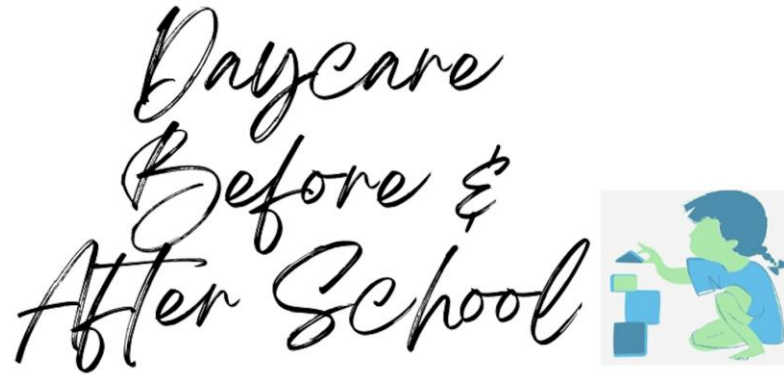
Boys will be playing every Tuesday and Girls will play every Wednesday beginning October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>

### **FROM THE COMMUNITY**

**Community Childcare\***

\*Note: North Otter does not vett childcare providers that are listed in the community section of the newsletter. Please take due diligence when looking into childcare providers.

### The Patch Kids Place



## THE PATCH KIDS PLACE

THE PATCH KIDS PLACE LOCATED IN NORTH OTTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HAS DAYCARE DURING SCHOOL HOURS/ FULL TIME SPACE AVAILABLE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 8:40AM-1:55PM. REGISTER YOUR 2.5-5 YEAR OLD FOR THE 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR.

CALL: 604-626-4547

EMAIL: LIZALDERSON@SHAW.CA

OTHER SPACE MAY BE AVAILABLE PLEASE CONTACT FOR DETAILS  
5370 248TH STREET ALDERGROVE BC

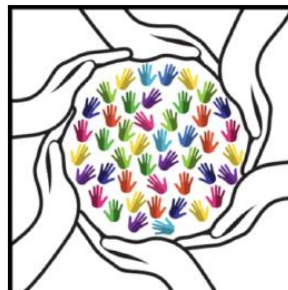
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### **Additional Childcare**

If there are any families in need of childcare before/after school or on Pro-D days please contact Holly Daignault, 778-899-3970

You are invited to join Early Childhood Educator, Sam Collie, for a **FREE**, Ready, Set, Learn Session

# Gifts and Gatherings



It is important to celebrate **every child** for their uniqueness and strengths. Gifts and Gatherings is a program that embraces this celebration!

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**North Otter Elementary School** offers four sessions:

Thursday, October 6th, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Tuesday, November 29th, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Thursday, February 9th, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Tuesday, April 18th, 1:00-2:00pm

Participants will have the opportunity to engage in playful activities designed for all ages. During each session, participants will receive a gift that will allow families to continue to explore their learning at home.



Many people have an important role in raising a child. Adults will gain skills and knowledge to support children beyond the session. Any family member or caregiver is welcome to participate along with children ages 0-5 years.

For more information contact Sam Collie at [scollie@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:scollie@sd35.bc.ca)

