Prince Charles Elementary School

ABBOTSFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

November 1/2026

Ey Swayel Prince Charles Families:

As we enter November, we are excited to introduce our new Virtue of the Month: Perseverance. Perseverance means continuing to work toward a goal, even when things are difficult or take time. It is about not giving up, learning from challenges, and having the courage to keep trying. This connects beautifully with our school theme this year; “We Can Do Hard Things,” and throughout November we will encourage our Royals to recognize the many ways they demonstrate perseverance at school and beyond.

We would also like to recognize and celebrate the families in our school community who will be celebrating Diwali this upcoming weekend. Often called the Festival of Lights, Diwali is celebrated by many communities around the world. While traditions and customs vary among families and communities, Diwali is often a time for gathering with family and friends, sharing food and sweets, lighting diyas or lamps, decorating homes, and reflecting on themes of light, hope, renewal, and the triumph of good over adversity.

To all of our Royals and their families who are celebrating, we wish you a joyful, peaceful, and meaningful Diwali. May your celebrations be filled with light, happiness, and special moments with family and friends.

Warm regards,

Mr. Paul Allanson
Principal of Prince Charles Elementary School

Here are some things for you to know as we head into **Week #9** at **Prince Charles Elementary**:

1. **Remembrance Day Assembly:** Our Remembrance Day Assembly will take place on Tuesday, November 10th at 11:15 a.m. Families are warmly invited to join us as we come together as a school community to remember and honour those who have served and sacrificed. We hope you are able to join us for this meaningful ceremony

2. **Grade 5 Grad Sweaters**: A reminder to Grade 5 Families that Grad Hoodies need to be paid by November 13th. Please see your School Cash Account.

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3. **Reporting an Absence**: As a reminder, the Abbotsford School District uses the Safe Arrival attendance management system through School Messenger to help families conveniently report student absences. Reporting your child's absence in advance helps us ensure accurate attendance records and enhances student safety.

   Families can report absences using any of the following methods:

   School Messenger App:
   Download the School Messenger app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. When using the app for the first time, select *Sign Up* to create an account. Once logged in, choose *Attendance* and then *Report an Absence*.

   Safe Arrival Website:
   Visit the Safe Arrival Website and select *Sign Up* if you are a new user. After creating your account, choose *Attendance* and then *Report an Absence*.

   Toll-Free Phone Number
   Call **1-844-487-3701** to report an absence using the automated phone system.

   These reporting options are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and future absences can be submitted at any time.

4. **Late French Immersion Info Night**: Any Grade 5 Royals that are interested in Late French Immersion for next school year, there is an information session on November 2nd at Ecole Chief Dan George Middle School @ 6:00 PM.

5. **PC Swag:** Show your Prince Charles Elementary spirit with our school swag! Families and students can order a variety of items, including hoodies, zip-up hoodies, t-shirts, crewneck sweaters, toques, and hats. Best of all, 10% of every purchase is returned directly to Prince Charles Elementary to support our school community.

   To browse and place an order, please visit:

   Prince Charles Elementary Apparel Store

   Orders are typically ready within approximately two weeks. Once your order arrives, Ms. Smith will contact families directly with pickup information.

Thank you for supporting Prince Charles Elementary. We can't wait to see our students and families showing their Royal pride in their PC gear!

6. **Upcoming Dates**:

November	
Nov. 2 – Monday	Virtue Assembly (Perseverance)
Nov. 10 - Tuesday	Remembrance Day Assembly @ 11:15 AM
Nov. 11 - Wednesday	Remembrance Day (Schools Closed)
Nov. 13 – Friday	Hot Lunch – McDonald's
Nov. 16 – Monday	PAC Meeting @ 7:00
Nov. 20 - Friday	Non-Instructional Day #3
Nov. 24-26	Book Fair
Nov. 25 - Wednesday	Movie Night @ 6PM
Nov. 27 – Friday	Cookie & Milk Day

7. **Information from the PAC**:

Next PAC Meeting is: Monday, November 16th @ 7:00 in the library.

