

— November 2025 —

Montecito News



UPCOMING DATES

November 10

Remembrance Day Assembly
11:00 – Families are invited to attend

November 11

Remembrance Day – schools are closed

November 18

PAC meeting 7:00

November 20

Popcorn Day

November 21

Professional Development Day – school is closed

November 28

Craft Fair in gym 5:30-8:30

December 5

Report cards distributed

December 12

Gingerbread people decorating event

December 16

Winter concert – 5:00

December 19

Pancake breakfast and dismissal at 2:00

December 22-January 2

Winter vacation

Dear Montecito Families,

It is hard to believe November is already here! The days are getting shorter, the air is cooler, and our classrooms are full of energy and learning. As we move into this busy month, we want to share a few updates and reminders.

REMINDERS

Dress for the Weather: We practice “west coast recess” and go outdoors rain or shine! Please have your children dress for the weather. An extra set of clothes left at school is also a great idea, if possible!

Student Safety Reminder: The safety of our students is always our top priority. We kindly remind all adults visiting the school to check in at the office upon arrival. Anyone in the building should either be wearing their Employee ID or a volunteer tag provided by the office. This helps us ensure that everyone on school grounds is accounted for and that our students remain safe at all times. Thank you for helping us maintain a secure and welcoming environment for everyone.

LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS



Staff had fun dressing up for Halloween!



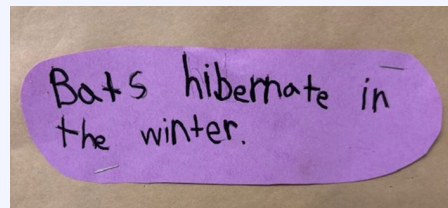
School wide Halloween parade!



Thanks PAC for a great pumpkin patch!



Lunch time Chess Club! Thanks Mr. Kirkby and Ms. Field!

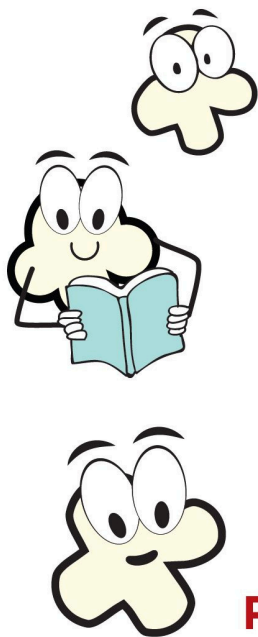


Learning about bats in Ms. Pavic and Ms. Wood's class!



Leaf art with Ms. Jung's class!

PAC Treat Day - Friday, October 10th
PAC Treat Day - Thursday, November 20th



POPCORN

FOR

BOOKS



Proceeds go to buying new classroom books!

PRE-ORDER ONLY!

Log in to MunchaLunch and click "PAC Treat Day" in the menu bar to pre-order your child \$2 snack-sized bags of popcorn. **Sorry, no cash sales.**

Orders due by the **Wednesday** of that week!





Growing Smiles Fundraiser

**Holiday Wreaths,
Poinsettias &
Festive Planters!**

**Order by
Monday
Nov 10th**

**Pick up: Friday, Nov. 28th, 5-8pm
at the Montecito Merry Market (gym)**

ORDER HERE:

<https://montecitoelementary.growingsmilesfundraising.com>



FRIDAY, NOV. 28TH
5:30PM - 8:30PM

Shop for one-of-a-kind gifts,
decorations, jewellery, art, treats
& much more!



BURNABY Christmas Bureau



METROPOLIS AT METROTOWN Upper level, next to Winners

REGISTRATION

November 1 - 29, 2025

Tuesday - Saturday: 10AM - 5PM

Closed 12 PM - 1 PM for lunch

Closed:

Nov 11, 2025

Nov 19, 2025 - closed at 12 PM

For more info: call 604.431.0400

REQUIREMENTS

Proof of Address (Burnaby)

- ie. bill from Fortis, Hydro, internet or phone provider or rental/tenancy agreement or bank statements dated within 90 days

Identification for Each Child

- ie. birth certificate, passport

Proof of Income

- Each parent/guardian show 2024 Proof of Income/Release of Information

We acknowledge that we are gathered on the unceded, shared, current, and traditional territories of the x^wməθk^wəy^əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh), and k^wik^wəłəm (Kwkwetlem) Nations.



BURNABY CHRISTMAS BUREAU 2025

Metropolis at Metrotown

Location & Parking

Registration November 1 – 29

Pick-up December 1 – 13, 2025

Directions for Participants

Arrival by car

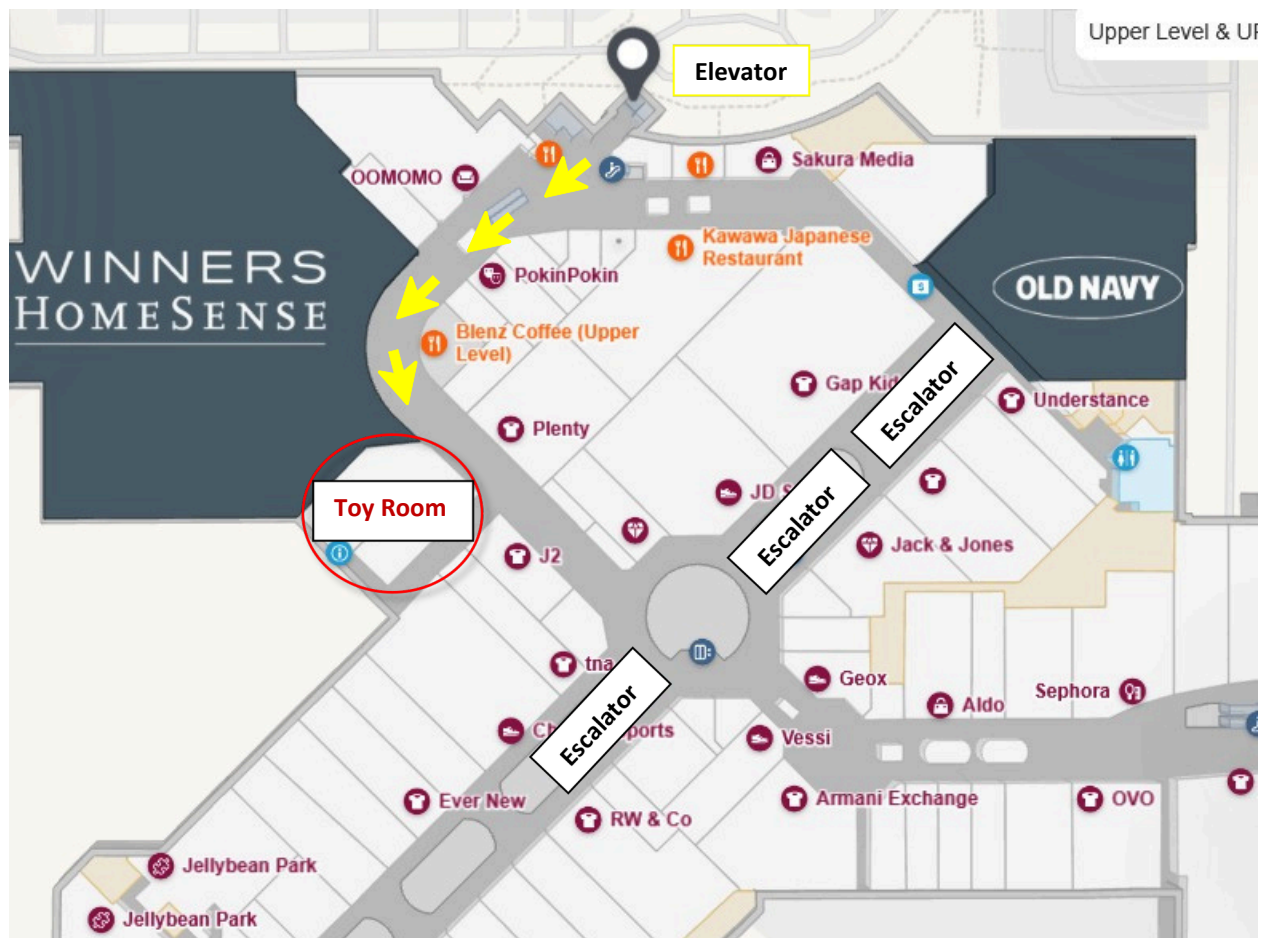
From the Willingdon South exit, turn left on Kingsway, and Metropolis at Metrotown will have multiple access points. **Park for free for a maximum of 4 hours.** Then take the elevator to the **Upper Level (UP2)** and head to **Winners** as it is right next to the Toy Room.

Arrival by Skytrain

Depart at Metrotown Skytrain station, cross Central Boulevard street, enter the mall and head towards **Winners** on the **Upper Level (UP2)**, you will find the Toy Room to the right of Winners.

Burnaby Christmas Bureau TOY ROOM

(Parking accessible via Kingsway, Central Boulevard, Nelson st.)



Tell us what you think!

We are committed to providing you and your family with quality programs. Please take a moment to complete our afterschool program survey and tell us how we are doing!



Photo by Adrian Ortega



Burnaby.ca/AfterschoolSurvey



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Burnaby.ca/PreschoolSurvey



Simon Fraser University Red Leafs Hockey is pleased to invite all Montecito Elementary students to attend one of our upcoming home games. Students can reserve free tickets online using the voucher code "**montecito**". Please forward this email to your school community.



VS VS University of Victoria Vikes

🕒🕒 Saturday, November 8th @ 7pm

📍: [Queen's Park Arena](#), 51 3rd Ave, New Westminster

🎟️🎟️ [Click to reserve free student tickets for this game](#)

VS VS Vancouver Island University Mariners

🕒🕒 Friday, November 14th @ 7pm

📍: [Bill Copeland Sports Centre](#), 3676 Kensington Ave, Burnaby

🎟️🎟️ [Click to reserve free student tickets for this game](#)

VS VS University of Victoria Vikes

🕒🕒 Friday, November 28th @ 7pm

📍: [Bill Copeland Sports Centre](#), 3676 Kensington Ave, Burnaby

🎟️🎟️ [Click to reserve free student tickets for this game](#)

VS VS Maryville University

🕒🕒 Friday, December 5th @ 7pm - Teddy Bear Toss Night

📍: [Bill Copeland Sports Centre](#), 3676 Kensington Ave, Burnaby

🎟️🎟️ [Click to reserve free youth tickets for this game](#)

VS VS Maryville University

🕒🕒 Saturday December 6th @ 7pm

📍: [Bill Copeland Sports Centre](#), 3676 Kensington Ave, Burnaby

🎟️🎟️ [Click to reserve free youth tickets for this game](#)

SFU Hockey games feature concession, entertainment, contests, and other activities fun for the entire family. Don't miss your chance to win one of our exciting raffle prizes for 2025: Canucks Tickets, NHL Merchandise, or an official SFU Hockey jersey! Your ticket is your entry for a chance to shoot to win a 2026 Nissan Kicks car courtesy of Rides with Gavin. Additional entries can be found at <https://www.rideswithgavin.com/sfu-giveaway>. or by using the following QR code:





Better health.
Best in health care.

UBC Dental Program

Dental Treatment for Children Ages 0-12 without Dental Coverage

Children may be eligible to receive free dental care with the UBC Children's Dental Program.

- Supervised UBC dental students ("dentist or dental hygienist in training") provide dental exams and treatment
- A parent / caregiver must accompany their child to the appointments
- Appointments are Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons at: UBC, Noble Biocare Oral Health Centre. 2151 Wesbrook Mall UBC Campus, Vancouver.
- School bus transportation is available for families who need a ride to and from the UBC dental clinic.

If you are interested and would like more information, please call your local Health Unit.

Health Units with Dental Staff	Phone	Fax
Abbotsford Health Unit	604-864-3400	604-864-3410
Burnaby Health Unit	604-918-7605	604-918-7630
Chilliwack Health Unit (Hope, Agassiz)	604-702-4900	604-702-4901
Guildford Health Unit	604-587-4750	604-587-4777
Langley Health Unit (Cloverdale)	604-539-2900	604-530-8138
Maple Ridge Health Unit	604-476-7000	604-476-7077
Mission Health Unit	604-814-5500	604-814-5517
North Delta Health Unit (South Delta, Newton, White Rock)	604-507-5400	604-507-4617
North Surrey Health Unit	604-587-7900	604-582-4811
New Westminster Health Unit	604-777-6740	604-525-0878
TriCities Health Unit	604-949-7200	604-949-7211

November – Vision, hearing and dental screenings and youth clinics

Make dental, hearing and vision checks part of a healthy routine

It's important for your child to have regular eye exams and routine dental checkups. This can help find issues early and lead to better outcomes. It is also important to recognize any hearing loss early as this is essential for speech and language development.

Dental

Tooth decay and other oral health concerns are the most common preventable chronic diseases in children. Establishing good oral hygiene habits early and ensuring regular dental checkups are essential for your child's oral health.

To find a local dentist who is accepting new patients, visit the BC Dental Association's [Find a Dentist](#) database.

If your family is experiencing financial challenges and doesn't have extended health coverage, there are [programs](#) available to help make dental care more accessible. You can also reach out to the dental program at your local public health unit at [Dental Care - Fraser Health](#) to learn about community resources and support.

Vision

[BC Doctors of Optometry](#) (BCDO) recommends children receive their first eye exam when they are six to nine months old, with a follow up exam at least once between the ages of two and five, and then yearly once they enter school. You can find an optometrist accepting new patients near you on [BCDO's website](#). In B.C., one basic eye exam per year is free up to the age of 18. Some optometrists may charge a user fee of about \$35-50 per visit, so be sure to ask about any fees before you make an appointment. Find more information on BCDO's [Children's Resources](#) page.

Hearing

Good hearing is essential for speech and language development and plays an important part in a child's social and emotional growth. It is important to recognize hearing loss early and seek out testing and treatment if needed. Fraser Health's Public Health community audiologists provide free hearing services for children from birth to 19 years of age. If you have a concern about your child's hearing, referrals can be made by a parent or caregiver, a health care provider or education professional to your [local public health audiology \(hearing\) clinic](#).

Find more information on child health screenings and how to access free vision, hearing and dental exams on [Fraser Health's website](#).

Youth clinics

Let your teen know about our youth clinics. Located throughout the Fraser Health region, these clinics offer free and confidential sexual health care to youth, with age eligibility varying by site and service. Learn more about the services available at youth clinics [here](#).