

International Education Newsletter

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Tongue Twister

Try to say this 5 times fast!
 A big black bug bit a big
 black bear, made the big
 black bear bleed blood.



Message from our Director :

Recently I had the opportunity to visit Korea and Taiwan, the home to many of our international students. I was delighted to meet with the parents of our International Students and to visit schools in these countries. It was clear to me as I traveled that our international students have many things to offer the Canadian students they study beside every day. Interesting things such as culture, customs, and language are only the beginning. When you discuss the differences between schools, homes, community, leisure activities, and recreation we get a better idea of how diverse our world is and how much our international students contribute to the educational system and our understanding of our global community. If you have the opportunity, take a moment to engage a Canadian student in how school is different between BC and your country. The conversation will spark interest and is likely to surprise you both!

**Dr. Leanne
 Bettesworth, Phd.**



On another note, the monthly activities have been excellent! It was great to see so many of you at the Pumpkin Patch on Saturday! Smiles, excitement, and lots of pictures! For many it was the first time through a corn maze and the first time on a tractor ride. We hope to see even more of you out at the games and movie night in November. Stay involved and participate in everything you can. It is the best way to learn about Canadian culture, make new friends, improve your English, or perfect your Canadian accent, Canadian slang, and the appropriate use of "eh".

Board Games Movie Board Games Movie

Come out for some fun on **Thursday, November 30**. From 6:30 to 9:00 pm in the Forum at Rutland Secondary School. The address is 705 Rutland Rd. North (near Leathhead).

We will show a movie on the **BIG SCREEN**. We have not decided which movie yet, however, it will be one suitable for all ages. Popcorn and juice will be served. Feel free to bring other snacks to share.

Also, we will set up tables and bring some of our favourite board games to play. If you have a board game or card game from your country please bring it to teach us.

This is a **FREE** event. As always, families, host families, and friends are welcome. Please let me know how many people will attend so I can set up the right number of chairs and make enough popcorn.

Phone or email by November 28 to confirm.



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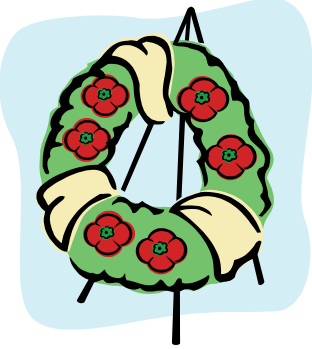
PUMPKIN PATCH VISIT
We had a great turn out on Saturday, Oct. 28 for our October Activity. Eight International Students and their friends and families enjoyed getting lost in the Corn Maze, a bumpy tractor ride and choosing pumpkins. Thanks to all who participated!



A Challenge To You!

I had a few students promise to write an article for this issue. I hadn't received any by the deadline. I promised a \$10 Gift Certificate to anyone who submitted an article. For the next, issue, I will do a draw. You never know if you will be the only one to contribute and then you will be guaranteed a prize.

Deadline: November 30.



Community and School Events

NOVEMBER 3- **FOOTBALL** - MBSS vs South Kam 7:30pm
RSS vs KSS 7:30pm

NOVEMBER 5- **Okanagan College** Open House 10am –4pm
Check out the many programs offered.

NOVEMBER 11-**REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Try to attend your local Remembrance Day Ceremony
Start time is usually 10:30am.

NOVEMBER 11,12– Christmas Arts & **Crafts** Extravaganza– Prospera Place
Holiday **Food** Festival—The Grand Okanagan

NOVEMBER 13- **No School**

NOVEMBER 16- December 3– KELOWNA ACTORS STUDIO

Oklahoma! Purchase tickets online or call 862-2867

NOVEMBER 23- **Medieval Banquet** at RSS

Dress up and enjoy medieval food and entertainment.
Contact RSS English Department for more details.

NOVEMBER 29– Michael Flatley's "**Lord of the Dance**" at Prospera Place
Purchase tickets at www.selectyourtickets.com

NOVEMBER 30- International Student Association Activity

Movie and Game Night at RSS

RSVP to Elizabeth Baerg

REPORT CARDS — Dates vary for each school but report cards will be out
by the end of November.