

November 22, 2011

### **Secondary Boys' Soccer Teams Compete in the Provincial Championships**

In a gripping overtime game this afternoon, the Cariboo Hill Chargers won their AA semi-final soccer game against Thompson Okanagan. Grade 9 student, James Szabo, scored the final penalty kick to win the game. The Chargers play in the BC final tomorrow at 12 noon at the Burnaby Lake Sports Complex.

The Burnaby South Rebels senior boys' AAA soccer team is up against South Delta, North Peace and McMath in the Provincial Championships beginning Thursday, Nov. 24. After capturing the Burnaby/New Westminister Championship, they went on to defeat West Vancouver 3-0 to qualify.

### **Voices 41**

Voices 41, the district's annual secondary choir festival, was held at the Michael J Fox Theatre on November 15. Every year all secondary choirs are invited to perform in this long-standing event. This year more than 600 students participated. This popular district event is a wonderful way to get into the holiday spirit.

### **Stoney Creek Helps Set Guinness World Record**

Stoney Creek participated in setting a Guinness Book World Record for "Most People Sport Stacking in Multiple Locations" in a day. Sport stacking (also known as cup stacking or speed stacking) is an individual and team sport that involves stacking specialized plastic cups in specific sequences in as little time as possible. On November 17th, 90 students and staff met in the gym to participate in the Cup Sport Stacking event. Stoney Creek has been doing cup sport stacking for the last year. Music teacher Patti Fletcher and community coordinator, Laura Mathers organized the event. Great fun was had by all.

### **"Job Swap" at Ecole Inman**

Denise Silva, grade 4 teacher at Ecole Inman, did a "job swap" today with a radio announcer from Virgin 95.3 FM. Denise was live on air from 9 to 10 this morning. Then 95.3 FM radio announcer, Nat Hunter, came to Inman at 11 am to join Denise in her classroom. The students were very excited. Denise observed that being a radio announcer was similar to teaching because in both cases, you have to be spontaneous and think on your feet.

### **Burnaby North Generates Christmas Cheer**

The Burnaby North Christmas Cheer Committee, headed by student, Nicole Shum, hopes to raise \$10,000 this year to support the Burnaby Christmas Bureau. This is an annual effort to help provide toys and food for low-income families in Burnaby. Since the club's inception in 1989, the Burnaby North Christmas Cheer Committee has raised \$200,000. In addition to fundraising and partnerships with local businesses, the Cheer Committee is hosting its annual Christmas Carnival for children from kindergarten to grade 3 on December 9 from 4:30 to 8 pm in Burnaby North's south gym.

### **Three Words that Make a Difference at Confederation Park**

Students in Grades 5, 6 and 7 at Confederation Park Elementary created a Remembrance Day video to share with their peers. The video, called the Power of Three, expresses powerful messages of peace, love and hope for the future. It was shared at the Remembrance Day assembly on November 10th and can be viewed on YouTube.