







McKenzie Weekly



Friday, June 10, 2022

McKenzie Elementary School wishes to recognize and acknowledge the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.

Mark your calendar!

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| June 13 Divs. 10, 11 & 12 to Beckwith Park | 14 Bike Rodeo  | 15  Spirit Day Dress in your PJ's! All library materials are due  | 16 Bike Rodeo  | 17 Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony |

Dates to Note:

- Jun 20 – Whole School Field Trip to Fort Rodd Hill (*remember to return the permission form if you do not want your child participating*)
- Jun 21 – Div. 8 & 9 Hyacinth Park
- Jun 22 – School Fun Day & Whole School Pizza Day (Kenzie Kids Reward!)
- Jun 22 & 23 – Strong Start Closed for Cleaning
- Jun 23 – Grade Five Year End Celebration
- Jun 23 – Last Day of School for Students

MCKENZIE ELEMENTARY ONLINE SPRING RAFFLE:



MCKENZIE GARDEN:

Look at our garden grow!!
 We need your help – please consider dropping off clean 4L plastic milk jugs for use as watering jugs. Thank you!

WHOLE SCHOOL FIELD TRIP ON JUNE 20TH:

On Monday, June 20th the whole school will be participating in a year end field trip to Fort Rodd Hill and Fisgard Lighthouse. We are hopeful that all students are able to attend this

field trip, however if you do not wish for your child to attend, please be sure to **return the reverse permission slip** coming home with your child this Friday. Thank you.

The following letter was received from the District of Saanich Engineering Department:

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June 7, 2022

Dear School Districts and Parent Advisory Committees:

The District of Saanich is updating its Active Transportation Plan (ATP) and we are connecting with stakeholders to check-in on the proposed scope of the plan review, as well as any issues or opportunities you think should be considered. The following is a list of discussion questions that we would like you to answer based on your experience with active transportation and/or Saanich's ATP:

1. What about active transportation has changed since Saanich's ATP was approved in 2018 that you believe should be considered in the updated plan?
2. What is working well with active transportation in Saanich?
3. What do you think could be improved?
4. What role, if any, do you see your School District and/or Parent Advisory Committee playing in the process to update the ATP?
5. What role, if any, do you see your School District and/or Parent Advisory Committee having in the implementation of the ATP?

Background information about the plan update is outlined below. We have also enclosed an information sheet that provides more detail about the priorities for the plan review, as well as links to resources, should you wish to do any additional reading.

Background

The District's first active transportation plan, ***Moving Saanich Forward*** was adopted in June 2018 as a guide for investment in active transportation improvements for the next 30 years. The plan establishes a vision, goals and targets. It also outlines strategies and actions to ensure progress on the District's policies, standards, infrastructure and programs for active transportation. The District of Saanich is committed to monitoring and updating the ATP on an on-going basis and in 2023, five years of implementation will have occurred.

Looking ahead, a number of initiatives are planned for 2022-23 that will significantly improve connections and create better access to safe and convenient cycling and pedestrian networks throughout Saanich.

Plan Update

The purpose of the ATP update is to provide a current framework to support implementation of active transportation policies and actions. The updated Plan will guide investment and decision-making for the next five years, and beyond.

The ATP Update will focus on the following priorities:

- Align with current policy documents, including recent strategies and plans for climate change, active transportation, and road safety;
- Incorporate current demographic and travel data, as well as collision data and statistics on infrastructure;
- Address emerging technologies and trends related to electric bikes and micro mobility;
- Integrate Vision Zero and a Safe Systems approach to road safety;
- Review progress towards achieving the vision, goals and targets of the ATP;

- Update select strategies and actions, and incorporate new strategies and actions, where necessary;
- Update mapping; and
- Review current priorities and establish new priorities, as needed for implementation over the next five years.

In an effort to recognize and plan for the needs of different users, staff will be working to identify and connect with diverse communities in Saanich throughout the planning process. Further to this, District staff will also seek to engage with local First Nations and urban Indigenous peoples.

The process to update the ATP will take approximately 15 months and will be completed in five phases. Phase 2 is underway and the discussion questions in this letter offers the first of several opportunities for stakeholders to provide input. Other engagement opportunities are planned later in the year (November 2022 - Phase 3) and in early 2023 (February/March - Phase 4). We expect to present the final draft plan to Council in June 2023 (Phase 5).

Next Steps

If possible, please forward this letter to the appropriate person on the school PAC, as this would be valuable information for our Planning process.

Please send your responses to the discussion questions to megan.squires@saanich.ca by June 30, 2022.

Engineering staff are available to meet with you, should you wish to discuss the ATP Update or your answers to the questions. Please contact me if you would like to arrange a meeting.

Sincerely,

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