



McKenzie Weekly



Friday, October 27, 2023

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.


Principal's Message:

We are looking forward to seeing many of our families at our PAC sponsored family Halloween Dance this evening! Our staff are so very grateful to our many parents, guardians and grandparents that volunteer in the various rolls at our school. Without their volunteer time these fun events could not take place.

Please watch for a Halloween specific email that will be sent later this evening with details regarding our second annual Halloween Parade and safe trick or treating details for Halloween evening.

Carmen

Mark your calendar:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
OCT 30	OCT 31 Halloween Costume Parade 8:45am 	NOV 1 PAC Meeting (via Teams – see 3 rd page for link)	NOV 2	NOV 3

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- Nov. 8 – SOGI Parent Information Session
- Nov. 10 – Hot Lunch Day (Pizza & Sushi)
- Nov. 13 – Statutory Holiday (Remembrance Day)
- Nov. 14 - Div. 7 Field Trip to Commonwealth Pool
- Nov. 16 – PAC Board Game Night
- Nov. 20 – Pro-D Day (no school for students)
- Nov. 21 – Divs. 1,2,3 & 4 Salish Sea Field Trip
- Nov. 21 – Div.5 Field Trip to Commonwealth Pool

9th Annual Pumpkin Run

This afternoon our classes participated in the 9th annual McKenzie Pumpkin Run. Students spent time running around the school for some exercise, fun, and school spirit.

Two lucky students from each class won a pumpkin!!

We would like to thank **Royal Oak Country Grocer** for donating the pumpkins!!



McKenzie School Halloween Dance is Tonight !!!



JOIN US FOR A

Halloween dance

FRIDAY | **27** OCT. | AT 6.00 PM- 7:30 PM

ADMISSION BY DONATION
(RECOMMENDED \$5 PER FAMILY)

PIZZA, TREATS & DRINKS
AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
CASH ONLY



Celebrate Halloween
at The Victorian at
McKenzie Retirement
Residence! Join them
for safe Trick-or
Treating from 3-7pm
on Tuesday, October
31st

THE CARD PROJECT – Deadline For Priority Orders Is This Sunday, Oct 29



Our fall fundraiser opens this Friday, October 20.

See *your child's art* online and browse the beautiful products made with your child's art.

The **deadline for Priority Orders is Sunday, October 29** with delivery in the week of November 20-24.

Go online to
www.TheCardProject.ca

Our school Access Code is: **MK70**

The **final order deadline** is Sunday, November 12 with delivery December 4-8.

If you have any questions, please contact Marcelle - Marcelle@TheCardProject.ca

STUDENT AGENDAS

We are asking families to help us offset the cost of student planners by paying **\$5 per agenda**. Please visit <https://mckenzie.sd61.bc.ca/>, where you will find a quick link on the menu at left side '**school cash online payments**' or if you'd rather, we will also accept cash. Thank you.

FREE BRAINWORX PROGRAM THROUGH START2FINISH:

[Start2Finish](#) are a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to provide ongoing educational support for students in the form of an after-school program which **emphasizes social-emotional learning, literacy and fitness**.

Students can join one of the virtual programs - [Brainworx](#) is for students in grades 1-6. The programming is designed by educators & fitness experts, and integrates social-emotional learning as part of each session. **The program is run by live, trained volunteers and there is NO COST to anyone, it is FREE for families to register.** Visit [Start2Finish](#) for more information. Poster attached to this newsletter.

PAC NEWS

PAC MEETING – 6:30PM ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 263 606 009 044

Passcode: tcApRA

[Download Teams](#) | [Join on the web](#)



The Nature Playground Project

McKenzie PAC needs your help to make this project happen! The PAC has already raised \$20,000 towards the \$33,000 goal to build this awesome nature playground.



You can donate online here:

<https://sd61.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/2967/140/false/true> or via the QR code. Tax receipts are available for donations over \$20.

Please share this far and wide.

Thank you so much for your support!



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SOGI

PARENT

INFORMATION

SESSION

Wednesday November 8th
6:30-8:00 pm

Join BC SOGI 123 Lead, Zakary Myers, and Mischa Oak in this information session to learn more about the SOGI-inclusive environments in our schools. SOGI awareness and allyship strategies will also be shared.

This will be a virtual session.

A recording of this session will be available at <https://learn.sd61.bc.ca/sogi/> until December 20, 2023.

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING](#)