



McKenzie Weekly

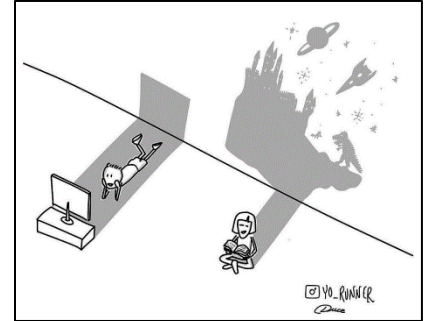


Friday, January 26, 2024

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 have had a wonderful week of READING & LITERACY activities! The imagination shown on book Character Day was amazing! We encourage all families to find time to read together, play literacy games (Boggle, Scrabble, Banana Gram) and duplicate any of the literacy activities they may have participated in during our afternoon of Literacy Activities.



We look forward to welcoming the Graduating Class of 2037 to register for Kindergarten beginning next week! Please make sure to refer to the website listed below for all of the instructions and required documents.

We hope families enjoy the long weekend; our staff is looking forward to learning new skills and ideas at our district wide Elementary Pro-D Conference tomorrow, Friday Jan. 26th. See you all back on Monday!

Ms. Carmen

Mark your calendar:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
JAN 29	JAN 30 Divs 1 & 3 Skating VIKES Basketball Grades K & 1	JAN 31 Divs 2 & 5 Skating	FEB 1	FEB 2

Kindergarten Registration Week – online registration only.

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/registration/kindergarten-registration/>

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- Feb. 5 – Divs. 2 & 12 Skating
- Feb. 5-9 – Scholastic Book Fair in Library
- Feb. 6 – Kindergarten Hearing Screening
- Feb. 7 – Student Led Conferences (early dismissal @ 11:50)
- Feb. 7 – PAC Meeting (online)
- Feb. 9 – PAC Valentines Dance
- Feb. 9 – Hot Lunch (Subway & Sushi)
- Feb. 12 – Divs. 3 & 8 Skating
- Feb. 12 – Jump Rope for Heart Day
- Feb. 16 – Pro-D Day (no school for students)

JANUARY DATES TO NOTE:

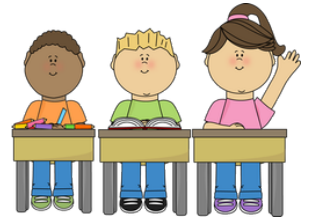
Tamil Heritage Month

- 4th – National Ribbon Skirt Day
- 4th – International World Braille Day
- 15th - Black Excellence Day
- 24th – International day of Education
- 27th - International Day of commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust
- 29th - National Day of remembrance of Quebec Mosque Attack and Action Against Islamophobia

K-12 TRANSFER WEEK ~ FEBRUARY 12-16

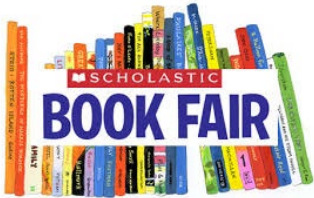
For students wishing to transfer to another school for the 2024-25 school year the student transfer process will begin on February 12th and forms must be returned to the school office prior to Friday, February 16th. Please visit the following link for more information

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/registration/student-transfer-process/>.



****Kindergarten – grade 4 students already attending McKenzie do not need to re-enroll, your children will automatically be moved forward to the next grade for September 2024. If you know that your child(ren) will not be attending McKenzie Elementary next school year, please let us know as soon as possible.**

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR FEB. 5-9:



The McKenzie School Library Learning Commons will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair in the Library from February 5th – 9th. We are very excited to be having a fair this year, as it always brings in lots of new, updated, and exciting reading materials for everyone!

We are looking for some parent volunteers to help out before and after school. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Ms. Mac at nmcilmoyle@sd61.bc.ca. Please stay tuned for the Scholastic Book Fair hours.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES – FEBRUARY 7th :

Our Student Led Conferences will be an 'open house' style to allow parents/guardians to visit the child's classroom. The classrooms will be open at 1pm, closing at 6pm. Families should allow for 30 minutes and the expectation is that the student will lead the conference. Teachers will be available for brief check-ins, however if you would like time to discuss your child's learning more deeply, then please email the teacher to arrange a formal meeting time. Please make alternate arrangements for siblings to allow for 100% of your attention to be on your child in their classroom.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART ON FEBRUARY 12TH:

Our school is excited to participate in Jump Rope for Heart this year! Students will discover fun ways to get active, practice healthy habits and learn about helping others while raising money to beat heart disease and stroke. We were given prizes for the school and one student from each class will win something just for participating



If you wish to support The Heart and Stroke charity by doing some fundraising, please visit <https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/43617>.

CLUBS AND SPORTS TEAMS AT MCKENZIE ELEMENTARY:

We continue to work as a school community to ensure that all students feel a sense of belonging while at school. As we work towards this goal, our staff are offering the following clubs this term:

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Recess	Rainbow Club Grade 3-5 Contact: Ms. Mac & Sydney			Multicultural Club Grade 3-5 Contact: Ms. Lau and Ms. Daychief	
Lunch Recess	Pokemon Club Grade K-5 Contact: Ms. Carmen	Sticker Club Grade K-2 Contact: Ms. Stratford Board Game Club Grade 3-5 Ms. Gregson and Ms. McConchie	Stamp Club Grade 1-5 Contact: Ms. Sparrow	Lego Club Grade 2/3 Contact: Ms. Mac	Chess Club Grade 4-5 Contact: Ms. Bushell

*Watch for information about intermediate basketball, choir and special athletic guests from the University of Victoria for drop-in soccer and basketball.

MCKENZIE **GRAD 2024** ONLINE CLOTHING STORE IS NOW OPEN!!!

Our online store is <https://store.passionsports.ca/McKenzie2024>

Youth and adults sizes are available, and there will be sample sizes at the school next week.

Your store's closing date is February 11, 2024 --- **Late orders will not be accepted.**

There will be NO order this year for McKenzie clothing, however we plan to do one next year.



2024 Registration is now OPEN!

- Little League Baseball for boys and girls, ages 3—12
- Softball for girls aged 7 — 23
- New Players welcome at any age
- Register on-line (www.lakehillball.com) by April 1, 2024
- Season runs April to June 2024 (possibly later pending playing rules)
- Plus... Ambassador Park features the absolute best ball park food in Victoria at Chef Dave's Dugout!

Email: info@lakehillball.com
www.lakehillball.com