



# McKenzie Weekly



Friday, March 8, 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:

And just like that we are moving into the final week of term 2 and preparing for spring break!

Next week staff will be posting Learning Updates for Term 2. These Learning Updates can be accessed via the Parent Connect link (see link below); this is the same place that parents and guardians access permission forms. The documents will be available on **Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>**, you will be able to access your child's term 2 reports using the same email address that you receive our newsletters:

<https://parentconnect.sd61.bc.ca/Identity/Account/Login>

Our 'Lost and Found' box is OVERFLOWING with many warm jackets, sweaters, hats, gloves etc. and many of these items are likely needed for the school break. We will have everything on displayed in the main hallway next week. Any remaining items left over will be donated over spring break.

Have a great weekend everyone.

*Ms. Carmen*

## Mark your calendar:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAR 11	MAR 12	MAR 13 Bake Sale *don't forget your loonies & toonies!*	MAR 14 Guess My Job (9am-11:45 a.m. for grades 4&5)	MAR 15 Learning Updates available to parents

## UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- Mar. 18 - Apr. 2 – Spring Break
- Apr. 3 – First Day Back
- Apr. 9 – Divs. 5 & 7 to Butchart Gardens
- Apr. 10 – PAC Meeting (online) *\*changed from April 3<sup>rd</sup>\**
- Apr. 12 – Hot Lunch Day (subway/sushi)
- Apr. 17 – Div. 10 to Swan Lake
- Apr. 18 – Visiting Band Performance @ 10:40 a.m.



Don't forget to change your clocks this Sunday!

Congratulations **NICE GOING!**  
**GREAT!** Way to Go!  
Yea! **FELICITATIONS**  
**CHEERS** Take A **BEST**  
**BOW!** **WISHES!**

*Our McKenzie Basketball team played extremely well against Vic West School last Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.*

*Well done McKenzie athletes!!!*

## UPCOMING BAKE SALE!!!

Student Leadership is planning a bake sale for **Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** to fundraise for our whole school Fun Day. All items will be sold for **\$1 or \$2**. Bake Sale items will be brought to classes and students will be allowed to purchase 1 item each. Any extra goodies will be sold after school.

If you are a family that loves to bake and are willing to make something to contribute to the bake sale, please [sign-up here](#).

Any questions or concerns, please contact Jen Wanless [jwanless@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:jwanless@sd61.bc.ca)



## March Dates To Note:

- 8 – International Women’s Day
- 10 – Ramadan begins
- 10 – Daylight Savings Begins
- 17 – St. Patrick’s Day
- 20 – International Francophonie Day
- 21 - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 21- World Down Syndrome Day
- 25 – Holi
- 29 – Good Friday
- 31 – Indigenous Languages Day
- 31 – Transgender Day of Visibility
- 31 - Easter



REMEMBER ... to please dress your child suitably for the weather. The children go outside daily, regardless of what the weather is doing.

A change of clothes kept in their backpack can also be handy!



## March/April 2024 Snapshots:

The March/April snapshots focus on **connection to culture**. It's valuable to understand and be connected to culture as it supports a sense of identity and belonging. Culture provides a framework to understand who we are, where we come from, and our place in the world. This sense of identity and belonging can contribute to overall well-being.

Elementary – [The Value of being Connected to Culture](#)



## 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
<b>Morning Recess</b>	<b>Rainbow Club</b> Grade 3-5 Contact: Ms. Mac & Sydney			<b>Multicultural Club</b> Grade 3-5 Contact: Ms. Lau and Ms. Daychief	
<b>Lunch Recess</b>	<b>Pokemon Club</b> Grade K-5 Contact: Ms. Carmen	<b>Sticker Club</b> Grade K-2 Contact: Ms. Stratford  <b>Board Game Club</b> Grade 3-5 Ms. Gregson and Ms. McConchie	<b>Stamp Club</b> Grade 1-5 Contact: Ms. Sparrow	<b>Lego Club</b> Grade 2/3 Contact: Ms. Mac  <b>Art Club</b> Grades K-2 & 3-5 (alternating weeks) Contact: Ms. Hamilton in Ms. Sparrow's room	<b>Chess Club</b> Grade 4-5 Contact: Ms. Bushell  <b>Drama Club</b> Grades 3-5 Contact: Ms. Larsen in Ms. Gibson's room

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



**Check out the latest information shared by Saanich Parks & Recreation:**

<https://secure.campaigner.com/csb/Public/show/bkmr-2smn1i--1674ne-527t6gd9>

When your child is going to be absent from school please let us know by email [attendance27@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:attendance27@sd61.bc.ca) or phone 250-479-1691.