



# McKenzie Weekly



Friday, June 21, 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:



WOW! Here we are; only 4 days left with students.

Next week is full of activities, field trips, the Grade 5 Celebration (am) and the Kindergarten Celebration (pm) and our final school assembly. Please be sure to carefully check the calendar below to ensure your child has the appropriate supplies for each day (eg. hats, water bottles, runners, extra bags for taking supplies home, etc.).

We hope everyone enjoys these first few days of summer; looks like great weather for our final days of the 2023-24 school year.

*Ms. Carmen*


## Mark your calendar:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>JUN 24</b> Fun Day (afternoon) 	<b>JUN 25</b> Grade 5 Celebration 11:00 am  Kindergarten Celebration (PM) Take Home Day Bring a Bag and 'Shop' the Lost & Found	<b>JUN 26</b>	<b>JUN 27</b> <b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>  School Assembly @ 9:15pm Canadian Multiculturalism Day	<b>JUN 28</b> Staff Administration Day

## UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Sept. 3 – First day of school 9-11:30 a.m. for grades 1-5

Congratulations to Julianna and Cristan from Div 2 who won the Saanich Firefighters *Design A Mascot* contest!! Div. 2 provided some great drawings! It must have been very difficult selecting the winners!!




**Grade 5s and Their Families**  
**Are Invited to Our Grade 5 Celebration!**

**What:** A Grade 5 Ceremony and Picnic

**Who:** McKenzie's Grade 5 students and their families

**When:** Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at 11:00 am

**Where:** On the school's lower field, near the garden

**Bring:** Your own blanket or chair to sit on, and a picnic lunch. Your child will bring their poster on a stake when they come to school, to put into the lawn before our celebration.

**2024-2025 SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

School supply lists will be included in your child's final report card envelope, in addition, you can find the lists on either the McKenzie website or the SD61 website.

If you would like to take advantage of purchasing a complete kit that is ready for your child's return to school in September, we use a company called Teacher's File. If you wish to order from Teacher's File, please visit: <http://packs.teachersfile.ca>.

**FREE CLOTHES!!!!**

**There are a lot of items in our lost and found  
and we want them to go to good homes!**

**All remaining Lost & Found items will be displayed on tables for McKenzie families to 'shop' on June 25 & 26. Bring your own bags and please help yourselves to any unclaimed items.**

**Any remaining items will be donated to a charity in the first week of July.**



# PAC News:

## McKenzie Staff Appreciation Lunch

The PAC is organizing the annual Staff Appreciation Lunch for **Friday June 28th**. We will be purchasing sandwich & veggie platters but are looking for additional food donations to round out the feast.

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044EAAAD2CA3F58-50045659-staff>

Donations can be dropped off to the staff room anytime on Thurs or Friday morning



## Backpack Buddies

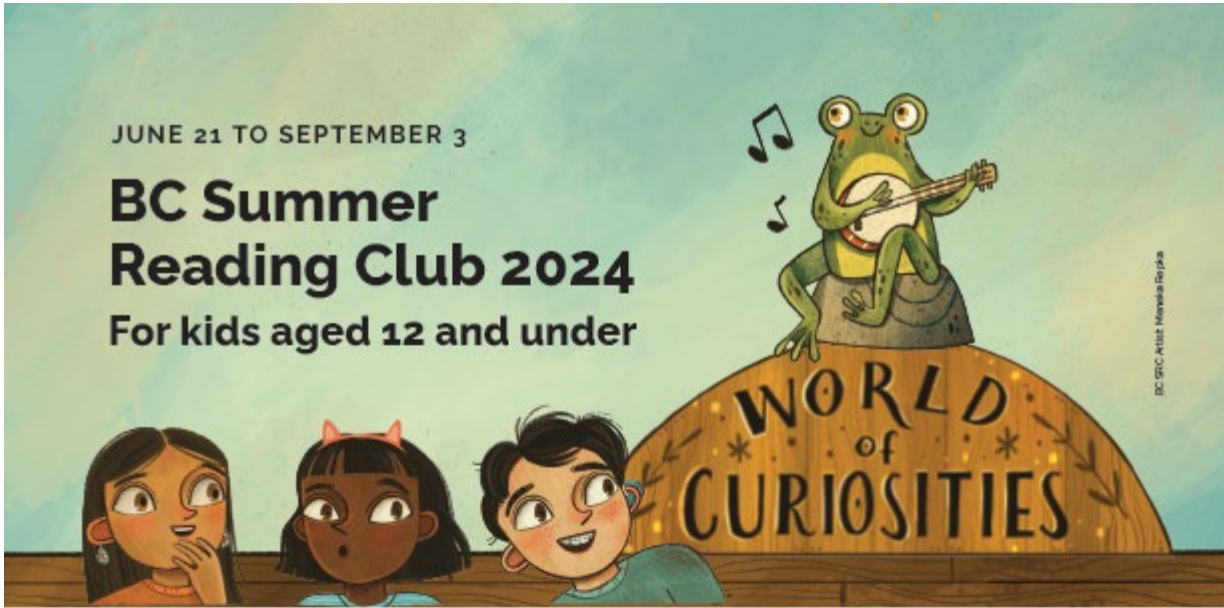
**BECAUSE HUNGER DOESN'T TAKE THE SUMMER OFF**

We've set up partnerships with the following community centres across Victoria so you can still access our program even though school is out!

1. Just pop into the centre nearest you (as of July 4th)
2. Let them know you're here to collect your Backpack Buddies
3. They'll provide your bags ☺

### FIND A CENTRE NEAR YOU:

Centre	Address	When to Pick Up Bags
Salvation Army - Connection Point Church	103-737 Goldstream Ave Victoria, BC V9B 0H9	Wednesdays and Fridays 9:00am-11:30am
James Bay Community Centre	140 Oswego St Victoria, BC V8V 2B1	Monday to Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm
Salvation Army - Highpoint Community Church	949 Fullerton Ave Victoria, BC V9A 3Z9	Fridays 9am-3:30pm <i>CLOSED 12-1pm each day</i>
Fernwood Community Centre	1240 Gladstone Ave Victoria, BC V8T 1G6	Monday to Friday 9:00am-9:00pm
Fairfield Gonzales Community Association	1330 Fairfield Road Victoria, BC V8S 5J1	Monday to Friday 9:00am-5:00pm



### How the BC Summer Reading Club works:

- Pick up your reading record at any GVPL branch.
- Read (or be read to) for 20 minutes or more each day:
  - Read what you like, in any format, or language.
  - Read anywhere: on holiday, at home, at the beach, etc.
- Record your daily reading for 7 weeks:
  - 1 light = 1 day of reading.
  - 7 lights = 1 week of reading.
- Come back to the library to collect your weekly sticker and prize at any GVPL branch.
- Repeat until you've completed 7 weeks of reading. Congratulations!

**Weekly prizes**

- Week 1. Bookmark
- Week 2. Pencil
- Week 3. Tattoo
- Week 4. Enter draw for more awesome prizes!
- Week 5. Greater Victoria Active Communities Recreation Centre Passes
- Week 6. Book
- Week 7. Medal

While supplies last!

Visit [gvpl.ca](http://gvpl.ca) for more information about programs, weekly prizes, and more!  
 Explore [bcsrc.ca](http://bcsrc.ca) for more online resources and fun.

