

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:

Thank you so much to the members of our school community that were able to attend our concerts this week. The students had a wonderful time singing and performing for such an engaged audience. We are so very appreciative to our fantastic music teacher, Ms. Arlene Salido for her invaluable guidance and organization. We are also extremely grateful for all your generous donations to our music program and for supporting our PAC bake sale.

Please remember that next Monday is our Whole School Field Trip to Gyro Beach. Please see the email earlier this week and the reverse-permission forms that were sent home for details.

Enjoy this wonderful weather and have a great weekend.

Ms. Carmen

Mark your calendar:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
JUN 10	JUN 11	JUN 12	JUN 13	JUN 14
Whole School Field		Parent Appreciation		
Trip to Gyro Beach		Drive Through 8:15-		
		8:45 a.m.		
		Grade Five group photo retake		

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- Jun 18 Divs. 11 & 12 to Beacon Hill Park
- Jun 24 Fun Day (moved from June 26)
- Jun 25 Take Home Day (desk clean out)
- Jun 25 Grade 5 leaving ceremony
- Jun 27 Whole School Assembly
- Jun 27 Last day of school for students



It is time to return books to our library. The class that gets all their booked returned the quickest wins a prize! JUNE DATES TO NOTE: Filipino Heritage Month Italian Heritage Month National Indigenous History Month Portuguese Heritage Month Pride Month

- 1 Global Day of Parents
- 16 Eid-al-Adha
- 19 Juneteenth
- 20 World Refugee Day
- 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
- 27 Canadian Multiculturalism Day

CHANGE MAKERS FESTIVAL SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH

The Change-Makers Gathering Festival honours Indigenous knowledge transfer and a path to understanding in a fun, interactive and welcoming way for everyone.

Traditional Territory of Coast Salish Communities – M'akola Housing Society is bringing the Change-Makers Gathering back to Langford after a three-year hiatus, and this time it is a festival at the Starlight Stadium in Langford.

The festival is hosted on the first Saturday in June and everyone is welcome to attend. The free festival will offer drop-in cedar weaving workshops and drop-in drum making workshops. Visit the following link for more information. <u>https://langford.ca/calendar/change-makers-gathering-festival/</u>

WHOLE SCHOOL FIELD TRIP ON MONDAY JUNE 10TH:

On Monday, June 10th the whole school will be participating in a year end field trip to Gyro Park. 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** that was emailed this past Tuesday and sent home with your child earlier this week.

Please aim to have your children arrive to school on time as the busses will be leaving from McKenzie Elementary starting at 9am and returning to the school just before 2:30pm.

Preparation for the day:

- Water Bottle
- Lunch & snack
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Multiple layers of clothes (it can be cold, windy, and foggy at the beach)
- OPTIONAL: beach toys that can be easily carried

PARENT APPRECIATION DRIVE/WALK/ROLL THROUGH Wednesday, June 12th

We would like to express our gratitude to our amazing parents & guardians. We appreciate you and will be offering you a coffee and baked treat on the morning of Wednesday, June 12th at morning dropoff between 8:15-8:45. There will be four different locations around the school offering up treats of gratitude to our wonderful families. The garden table will be stocked with allergy aware options.











1000 Books by Age Five Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

Please fill our empty bins!

330,000 books in 12 years donated to new homes where they are needed. THANK YOU!!! At this time of the year we prepare an extra supply for the many agencies that send books home all summer.

Please do a summer clean of your bookshelves and help another child succeed by having a home library. Take your gently used books **for babies to five year olds** to the pink bin in the school's front hallway.

READY STEP ROLL School Commute Survey

Help us win a bike or scooter rack by participating in the <u>online school commute survey</u>! Take the <u>online survey</u> before it closes on Sunday, June 9th!

It will take approximately 15 minutes to complete and will help local governments understand what improvements can be made around our school to make commuting more accessible, safe, convenient, and comfortable.

If the above hyperlink does not work, please paste the below link into your preferred browser: <u>https://surveys.crd.bc.ca/surveys/Ready-Step-Roll-Baseline-School-Commute-Survey-2024</u>

