



McKenzie Weekly



Friday, October 31, 2025

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.

Administrators' Message:

WOW! Two months of school finished already?!?! We are now more than halfway through our first term of school!

We are so thankful that the weather cooperated for our Halloween Costume Parade this morning! The students had an absolute blast and we all enjoyed seeing all of the 'alter-egos'! We are now into the season of colds and flus. We are encouraging students to stay home when they are not feeling well, covering their mouths when they cough and sneeze, and to wash their hands OFTEN.

Have a spooky weekend!

Carmen & Jordana

Mark your calendar:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nov. 3 Choir Students filming music video 9:30-11:30am	Nov. 4 Div 2 & 8 Nature Walks with John Harris, Elders & Indigenous Knowledge Facilitator	Nov. 5	Nov. 6 Divs 1,2 & 3 Salish Sea boat trip	Nov. 7 International Inuit Day

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

Nov. 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov. 11 – Statutory holiday (no school)
Nov. 12 – PAC Meeting (in person)
Nov. 14 – Hot Lunch
Nov 17 – Divs 4&5 Skating @ 10:15am
Nov. 17 – Div 1 to Goldstream 9-11:50
Nov. 17 – Divs 11 & 12 to Goldstream 9-2
Nov. 21 – Pro-D Day (no school for students)



November 2025 GVSD#61 Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Calendar

Nov 8	Indigenous Veterans Day
Nov 8	National Aboriginal Veterans Day
Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Nov 16	Louis Riel Day
Nov 20	Transgender Day of Remembrance
Nov 20	World Children's Day
Nov 25	International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women

CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS!



We had a very successful cross-country season. We are so proud of our dedicated, energetic team of 36 runners. They came out to practices each week and many runners attended our various meets. Thank you to all staff and parents that supported the runners at our cross country meets.



3 Books = 1 Gift **Help with a literacy gift for others**

This is the beginning month of the three book challenge. As we head into the holiday season, many families appreciate a bit of help with gifts. Every month 1000X5 pops 3000 books in 1000 gift bags: three books for each receiving child.

If each child in McKenzie Elementary School brought in 3 gently used books for babies and preschoolers, we would collect 790 books, enough for gift bags of books to 270 children. **Let's make it happen!**

Drop books for babies and preschoolers off in the pink bin in the front hallway of our school.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS:



The staff parking lot on Raymond Street is very small and is for staff parking only. There are two additional lots at the back of the school, or street parking along Margaret and Raymond Streets for family parking. In addition, please remember to respect our neighbours by not blocking their driveways or parking on their lawns when you are dropping off or picking up your children.



Dogs are not allowed to be on school property during the school day. Please leave your four-legged friends at home if you are walking your child(ren) to and from the school.

ATTENDANCE:

If your child is going to be absent from school, please remember to let us know. Either via email: attendance27@sd61.bc.ca or phone: 250 479 1691.



What is a mummy's favourite type of music?

... Wrap Music!!

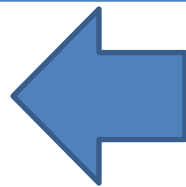
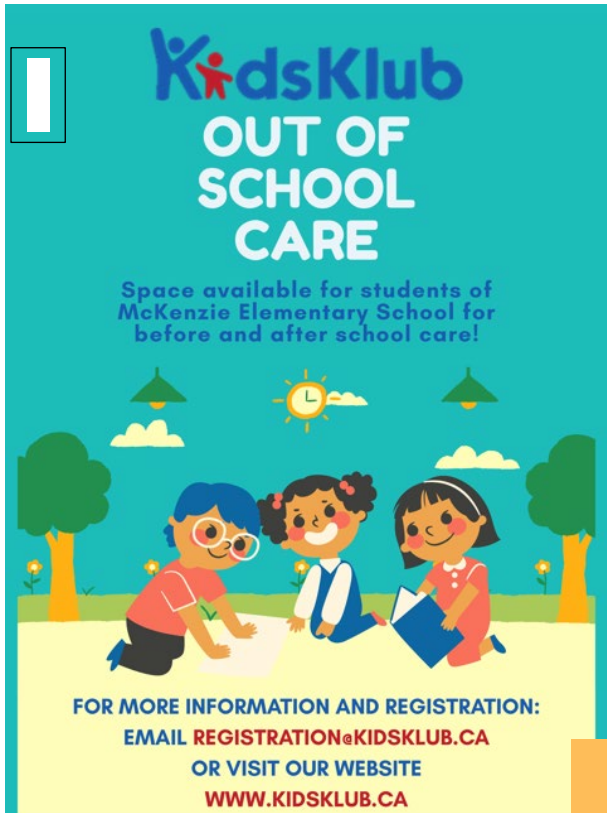
PAC NEWS:

Parent & Family Resources:

Kelty Mental Health - ADHD Parent Education Day, Nov 5

ADHD Parent Education day is a learning event designed to support parents of children with ADHD, covering topics like ADHD basics, self-regulation, behaviour at school, and medication. Come join us in this free virtual event with various talks throughout the day.

[Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)



**Before & After School Care
Availability at Mckenzie School!**

*GingerBread
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