

Mission Central Elementary School

Newsletter



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I would like to thank the staff, PAC, parents and students for all their time, generosity and efforts in making December a wonderful month. Report Cards and Parent Teacher Conferences started December off. Mme. Hedderson hosted the Scholastic Book Fair at the same time and we raised over \$3000. Well done Mission Central! The last two weeks of school were incredibly busy and enjoyable with the Christmas Concert, Breakfast with Santa, Elf on the Shelf, Red/Green Christmas Sweater Day, Christmas Movies, Bake Sale, Science World, French Christmas Movie, Poinsettia Sale, as well as many class celebrations.

January will have the beginning of Volleyball season for grade 5 and 6 students. Kindergarten Registration will be held the week of Jan 14-18. Ecole Mission Central will be hosting the Riot of Reading on Saturday Feb 2. Many classes will be participating in skating at the Mission Arena in January, February and March. Look for permission forms coming home. Skate and helmet rentals are available.

A reminder that Ecole Mission Central Elementary is a Scent Free School. Several staff have severe allergies to scents and fragrances. I ask that you join me in ensuring that we have a Safe, Scent Free workplace for our students and staff.

Please make sure students are dressed properly as the weather can be very cold and damp this time of the year. Not only is it important for students to attend regularly, but they also need to arrive at school on time as many important activities occur at the start of the day that set up for success for the remainder of the day.

Have a Wonderful Holiday Break.

Mr. Andrew Merry
Principal



Student of the Month

Student of the Month and SUPER ticket draws were not held in December

SPORTS

Volleyball

Volleyball practices will begin in January for grade 5/6 students. Open gym for volleyball will occur every morning from 7:30 -8:20 am once we return in January for any student in Gr.4, 5, 6. Practice times will be Tuesday and Thursday 2:25-3:15 and Wednesday at Lunch. Playdays will occur in February on the 14, 21, 28. There will be a tournament on March 7.

Floor hockey

Drop in floor hockey is up and running lunch times on poor weather days in the gym. Any student in grade 4, 5 and 6 can play.

GRADE 5/6 FUNDRAISER

Our grade 5/6 classes are raising money for a year end field trip through several hot dog sales. Order forms should have come home last week. The dates for the Hot Dog Lunches are Jan 18, Feb 1, April 5, and May 30.

HOT LUNCH

There will be hot lunch available Friday, January 25. Thank you to the PAC for organizing this popular activity. Order forms should have come home this week.

KNITTING CLUB

Knitting Club has started up every Friday in the Library at lunch. If the weather is miserable, the club will also meet on Mondays at lunch as well

Riot of Reading

Saturday, Feb 2; 11 am - 4 pm

The Riot of Reading Solutions - Mission's 17th Annual Family Literacy Fair at Mission Central Elementary on 7466 Welton Street. This is a one-stop-shop to connect with all those in our community who support families and literacy. There will be refreshments, music, entertainment, prizes, and quality books to buy. And it's all free!

PAC

The **January PAC meeting** will be held at 8:45 a.m. in room 127 on Wednesday, Jan 17. This is a great opportunity to become involved in the school.

Upcoming Events

January 2019

Monday, Jan 7

Friday, Jan 11

Jan 14-18

Wednesday, Jan 16

Thursday, Jan. 17

Friday, Jan. 18

Friday, Jan 25

School Reopens

Spirit Assembly

Kindergarten Registration

Matchy Matchy Day

PAC Meeting 8:45 am

Gr. 5/6 Hot Dog Sale

Month End Assembly 8:45 am (Student of the Month)

Hot Lunch

February 2019

Friday, Feb 1

Saturday, Feb. 2

Thursday, Feb. 7

Friday, Feb. 8

Wednesday, Feb 13

Thursday, Feb 14

Friday, Feb 15

Monday, Feb. 18

Friday, Feb 22

Wednesday, Feb 27

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Gr 5/6 Hot Dog Sale

Riot of Reading

Kindergarten Screening: Vision, Hearing & Dental

Mid-Month Assembly - 8:45 a.m.

Aboriginal Cultural Day

Grade 5/6 Valentine's Day Dance

Spirit Day – Wear Red, White & Pink

Non-Instructional Day – (Students not at school)

Family Day – (Students not at school)

Month-End Assembly - 8:45 a.m. (Student of the month)

Pink Shirt Day (Anti-Bullying)

2019-2020 Kindergarten Registration Including Schools/Programs of Choice

We are very excited to welcome your five-year-old to his/her first year of school with Mission Public Schools. Please ensure that you read the Kindergarten Entrance Procedure **prior** to completing the registration form.

 [Mission Public Schools K-12 Registration FORM](#)

Please note: **NO registration form will be active UNTIL** the registration form and information required is presented to the school secretary (in person, at the school), and the “Office Use Only” portion of the form is filled out by the school secretary.

Mission Public Schools 2019-2020 Kindergarten Registration Procedures and Requirements

- ✓ Children born in 2014 are eligible for Kindergarten in 2019-2020.
- ✓ Proof of age is required at time of registration: Birth Certificate, Passport, Permanent Residence Card, BC Services Card (photo version only), Aboriginal Status Card, Certificate of Citizenship or Immigration Canada document. • Note: The BC Care Card is not acceptable proof of age
- ✓ Proof of Residency in BC:
 - Parent’s Care Card (not student’s)
 - Parent’s BC Services Card (not student’s)
 - Driver’s License
 - Municipal Tax Bill
 - Rental Agreement
 - Utility Bill
- ✓ Proof of Physical Home Address (for Catchment area schools):
Note: Driver’s license, proof of purchase of residence, municipal tax bill, letter stating current address notarized by a lawyer or notary public, rental agreement (accompanied with a gas, cable, telephone or hydro bill), credit card invoice, or mortgage statement.

CATCHMENT SCHOOLS

When & Where:

- ✓ Monday, January 14th to Friday, January 18th, 2019.
- ✓ Registration must take place at your catchment elementary school, with the exception of Stave Falls Elementary.
- ✓ Registration for Stave Falls Elementary will take place at the Mission School Board Office between 10am – 2pm January 14th to January 18th, 2019. To schedule an appointment, please call 604.826.6286.
- ✓ As a convenience to you, we have provided a fillable registration form for Kindergarten to Gr. 12. This does not apply to our Schools of Choice (see application process below).
- ✓ NOTE: This is a fillable form only and must be presented in printed form, along with the required documentation (see above), to your catchment area school in order to REGISTER your child at that school.

YOUR CATCHMENT AREA

- ✓ Please see the School Locator at www.mpsd.ca for help in identifying your catchment school or for any questions or additional information, please call the SBO at 604-.826.6286

French Immersion: École Christine Morrison and École Mission Central both offer a French Immersion program. See School Locator on our website for your catchment French Immersion school.

Distributed Learning: Summit Learning Centre offers Distributed Learning. Visit Summit Learning Centre’s website for details of our home learning program.

C.O.R.E. Program: Dewdney Elementary provides education based on the C.O.R.E. (Community Outdoor Recreation & Environment Education) program. Detailed information is outlined on the Dewdney Elementary School website.

Forest and Nature Program: Stave Falls Elementary opening September 2019 provides education linked to BC’s new curriculum through Outdoor Place-Based Learning in a Cultural Environment. Detailed information is outlined on the Stave Falls website.

SCHOOLS OF CHOICE Our Schools of Choice are:

- ✓ Edwin S. Richards - Arts Based program.
 - ✓ Hillside Traditional Academy – Curricular outcomes in an environment based on traditional values.
- Schools of Choice offer differing presentations of our educational curriculum. The opportunity to attend a School of Choice is open to all Mission residents.

Kindergarten APPLICATIONS to attend Schools of Choice can be filed at any time, and for any year of birth at either Hillside Traditional Academy or Edwin S. Richards. Please bring your child’s proof of age documentation. PLEASE NOTE (Sibling Registration): ➤ Parents with children currently attending either Hillside Traditional Academy or Edwin S. Richards will be contacted to register their kindergarten-aged sibling during the month of December, at their present school of choice.