

January 2020

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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 an exciting and fantastic 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 \$1500. Well done Mission Central! The last two weeks of school were incredibly busy and enjoyable with the PAC Christmas store, the Christmas concert, Breakfast with Santa, Elf on the Shelf, Red/Green Christmas Sweater Day, Christmas Movies, Bake Sale, Francophone Winter Film Festival, Poinsettia Sale, as well as many class celebrations.

January will start with the beginning of Volleyball season for grade 5 and 6 students, grade 4 students can also attend practices. Kindergarten Registration will be held the week of Jan 20-24. 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 and February. 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.

Also, please respect our neighbours and their driveway space.

Please make sure students are dressed properly as the weather can be very cold and damp this time of the year. Next week, the temperatures are expected to drop below zero degrees.

Lastly, 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.

Mr. Andrew Merry
Principal



Student of the Month

Every month teachers select a few students to be recognized as Student of the Month. Selection

criteria may include academic achievement, attitude and or behaviour. The following students were recognized at our January 10 assembly, with congratulations going to Tianna E., Kamila S., Connor D., Austin A., Jacob B., Malachi H., Jessica I., Avleen S., Carter P.,

Alivia B., Juliette L., Sye C., Cade M., Maxine H., Owen W., Jersey M., Klara S., Danni D., Cherish S., Ryder N., Dayvah P., Rannon C., Mia S., Presley., Lincoln L., Dominic C., Scarlett S., Dorian L., Frankie-Rose K., Ava G., Xzander R., Jane M., Toria L

S.U.P.E.R. stands for Safety, Unity, Participation, Excellence, Respect/Responsibility. Every month students earn SUPER tickets under the SUPER categories. At our monthly assemblies, a draw is made and students can win small prizes. This month's SUPER winners are Parnoor S., Maya F., London P., and Austin A. Congratulations and thanks for being SUPER!!

During today's assembly, we Kicked off Kindness for 2020. Students can win pink kindness tickets and win a prize during the rest of the year's assemblies. We are looking forward to catching acts of kindness from those wanting to spread joy to others.

SPORTS & CLUBS

Volleyball

Volleyball practices will begin in January for grade 5/6 students. Practices will be held Tuesday and Thursdays from 2:25-3:15 and Wednesdays at Lunch. Playdays will occur in February on the 13, 20, 27. There will be a tournament in March. Thanks to Coaches Gagné and Holland.



Floor hockey

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

KNITTING CLUB

Knitting Club occurs every Friday in the Library at lunch. If the weather is miserable, the club will also meet on Mondays at lunch as well. Thanks to Ms. Hedderson for running this club.

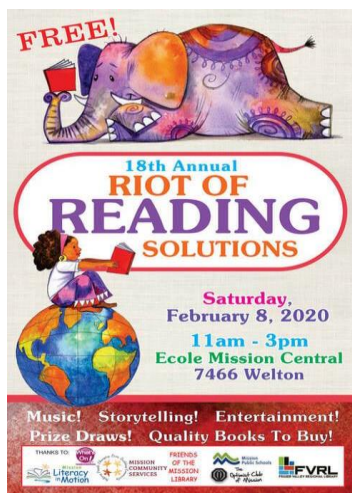


PAC

The **January PAC meeting** will be held at 8:45 a.m. in room 127 on Wednesday, Jan 15. This is a great opportunity to become involved in the school.

HOT LUNCH

There will be hot lunch available Friday, January 10 and 24 this month, the cutoff date has already occurred. Thank you to the PAC for organizing this popular activity. Look for information coming out soon regarding February's hot lunches.



Riot of Reading

Saturday, Feb 8; 11 am - 3 pm

The Riot of Reading Solutions - Mission's 18th 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!

Carnaval – February 21 5-7:30pm

We are looking for donations (supplies for game building) and volunteers for next month's Carnaval. If you have anything to donate for raffles, buy a cake walk sponsorship or **VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME**, we would love to have your support.

[Click here for the list of Donations needed for games](#)

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Our hard-working carnival committee would like some help getting their hands on the following items:

- 1) Raffle donations (tickets and/or swag), gift cards, gift baskets, etc.
- 2) Prize donations for the carnival games (toys, erasers, etc.)
- 3) Cakes/12 cupcakes for the cake walk

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

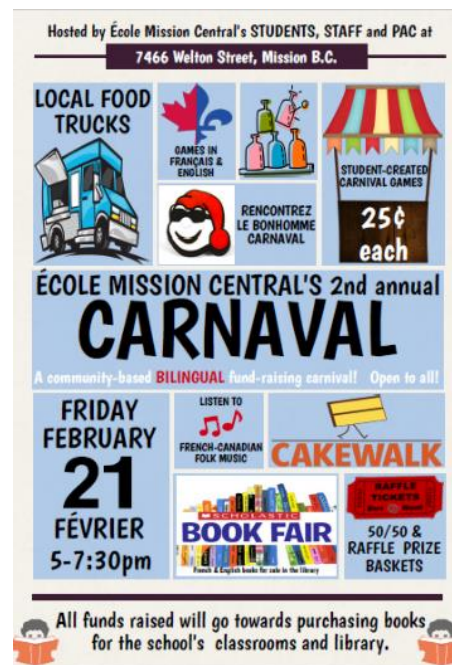
If you or know of a local business interested in advertising (or know of anyone wanting to advertise their business) during Carnaval, please read further. If you choose to sponsor one of the ever-popular CAKEWALK, your logo would be added to the cakewalk label and instead of saying a number, we would announce the winner sponsored by your business. Your business name would also be prominently displayed outside of the cakewalk room to be seen by all families of Mission Central and the community that attend this fun night!

The following rooms are available for sponsorship:

- **The Gym** (where the raffle and stands will be placed): \$250
- **La cabane** (the food and eating area near the food trucks): \$100
- **Cakewalk label sponsorship (looking for 12-15 sponsors):** \$5

Your donations and/or sponsorship will really go a long way in helping École Mission Central fundraise for new high-interest novels and picture books for our classrooms and library.

Please contact Vice-Principal Shauna Néro at shauna.nero@mpsd.ca and/or Ecole Mission Central's PAC at ecolemissioncentralpacexec@gmail.com if you can help with one or more of the items we listed in this announcement or are interested in sponsoring a room. The room sponsorships are on a first-come, first-serve basis.



Upcoming Events

January 2020

Monday, Jan 7

Friday, Jan 10

Monday, Jan 13

Wednesday, Jan 15

Friday, Jan 17

Jan 20-24

Wednesday, Jan 22

Friday, Jan 31

February 2020

Tuesday, Feb 4

Wednesday, Feb 5

Friday, Feb 7

Saturday, Feb 8

Tuesday, Feb 11

Thursday, Feb 13

Friday, Feb 14

Feb 18-21

Wednesday, Feb 19

Monday, Feb. 17

Wednesday, Feb 19

Friday, Feb 21

Wednesday, Feb 26

Friday, Feb 28

School Reopens

Student Recognition Assembly #1

Hot Lunch

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Carnaval Committee meeting

PAC Meeting 8:45 am

Spirit Day: Wear Your Team Colour

Kindergarten Registration

Healthy Eating: Yoghurt Parfaits in Spirit Teams

Student Recognition Assembly #2 8:45 am

Hot Lunch

Empower Series – 5-7 pm Library

Spirit Day: Wear Winter Wear

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Riot of Reading

Empower Series – 5-7 pm Library

Jump Rope for Heart Kickoff 11am

Grade 5/6 Valentine’s Day Dance

Spirit Day – Wear Red and White

Non-Instructional Day – (Students not at school)

Scholastic Book Fair

Spirit Event: Decorate the Doors for Carnaval

Family Day – (Students not at school)

Empower Series – 5-7 pm Library

Carnaval 5-7:30pm

Pink Shirt Day

Student Recognition Assembly - 8:45 a.m.

1/2 Day Assessment and Evaluation (Student Dismissal at 11 am)

Newsletter Home

WINTER Carnival					
JANUARY JANVIER 2020					
MONDAY LUNDI	TUESDAY MARDI	WEDNESDAY MERCREDI	THURSDAY JEUDI	FRIDAY VENDREDI	SATURDAY SAMEDI
		1	2	3	4
6 First Day Back to School from Winter Break	7	8	9	10 Newsletter home Kindness Counts & Student Recognition Assembly	11
13 Carnaval meeting 2:45pm	14	15	16 Leadership group lunch	17 Term 1 Spirit Team Celebration Spirit Day: Represent Your Spirit Team	18
20	21 Healthy Eating: Yoghurt Parfaits	22	23	24	25
27	28	29	30 Yearbook committee lunch	31 Student Recognition Assembly 8:45am	

2020-2021 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 2020-2021 Kindergarten Registration Procedures and Requirements

- ✓ Children born in 2015 are eligible for Kindergarten in 2020-2021.
- ✓ 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
- ✓ 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.

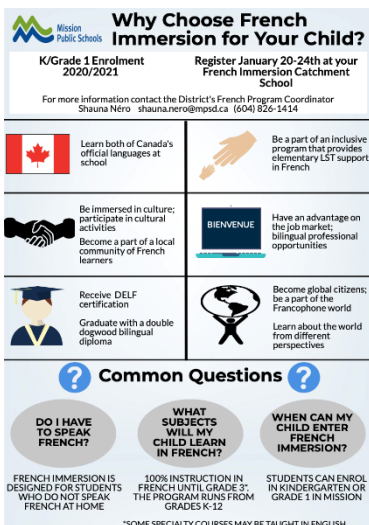
CATCHMENT SCHOOLS

When & Where:

- ✓ Monday, January 20th to Friday, January 24th, 2020.
- ✓ Registration must take place at your catchment elementary school.
- ✓ 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



Why Choose French Immersion for Your Child?

K/Grade 1 Enrolment 2020/2021 Register January 20-24th at your French Immersion Catchment School

For more information contact the District's French Program Coordinator
Shauna Néro shaunaznero@mpsd.ca (604) 826-1414

 Learn both of Canada's official languages at school	 Be a part of an inclusive program that provides elementary LST support in French
 Be immersed in culture; participate in cultural activities Become a part of a local community of French learners	 BIENVENUE Have an advantage on the job market; bilingual professional opportunities
 Receive DELF certification Graduate with a double digwood bilingual diploma	 Become global citizens; be a part of the Francophone world Learn about the world from different perspectives

Common Questions

- DO I HAVE TO SPEAK FRENCH?**
FRENCH IMMERSION IS DESIGNED FOR STUDENTS WHO DO NOT SPEAK FRENCH AT HOME
- WHAT SUBJECTS WILL MY CHILD LEARN IN FRENCH?**
100% INSTRUCTION IN FRENCH UNTIL GRADE 3*. THE PROGRAM RUNS FROM GRADES K-12
- WHEN CAN MY CHILD ENTER FRENCH IMMERSION?**
STUDENTS CAN ENROL IN KINDERGARTEN OR GRADE 1 IN MISSION

*SOME SPECIALTY COURSES MAY BE TAUGHT IN ENGLISH

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. **If you have any questions about this program, please contact Mme. Néro.**



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 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.