

## March 2019

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March will be a short month for students with Spring Break occurring the last two weeks of the month. Hopefully the weather improves so that the kids can be outside more often. We had a Kick Start Assembly for Jump Rope for Heart on Feb 8 to begin this annual fundraiser. Valentine's Day was celebrated with a Valentines Dance on Thursday, Feb 14 in the gym for grade 5, 6 students. Additionally, it was Wear Red, White, and Pink Day. Thanks to Ms. Storey, M. Gagne and Mrs. Hjort-Olsen for organizing and supervising the dance. Thank you to Division 1 for selling and distributing Candygrams on Valentine's Day to raise money for the dance decorations and food. Feb 27 was Anti-Bullying Day also known as Pink Shirt Day. This February, Mission Central celebrated kindness by doing a spirit activity where everyone created a gingerbread version of themselves. Also, many students have been "caught in the act of kindness", way to go! Students and staff were encouraged to wear a pink shirt in support of Anti-Bullying. Students have been skating throughout the month of February and will continue into March.



We have received a generous donation from St. Andrew's United Church to our Breakfast Program. Thank you for your support. We would also like to thank all of the volunteers who keep our breakfast club running.

Report cards will be coming home March 11 and parent-teacher/student-led conferences will occur afterschool/evenings from March 11-13. Classroom teachers will be letting you know their availability. Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book or fairy tale character Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. We will hold the wrap up for Jump Rope for Heart on the afternoon of March 14 as well as a Farm 2 School spirit activity during which students will make a fruit salad. The last day of school before Spring Break will be Thursday, March 14 and students will return to school Monday, April 1.

Mission Central's Bilingual Carnaval will be happening on Friday, March 8 between 5:00 - 7:30. We hope to see you there.

Please be sure your contact information is up to date at the school. The recent early school closure highlighted the importance of having accurate phone numbers and email addresses.

Have a great month and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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 Feb 22 assembly, with congratulations going to A'Lexus J., Darius T., Deegan S., Sean P., Emmaleigh B., Atiya B., Camryn N., William C., Roxie H., Chloe D., Chloe A.,

Kaia S., Kaitlyn T., Victoria S., Lincoln L., Juliette L., Humza J. Lea I., Dante R., Alivia B., Lizzy B., Bryce S., Giuliana F., Miles B., Owen W., Joshua E., Molly C., Rolan B., Tatianna H.

**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 Millar., Magnus J., Maxx G., Landon L., Enapay H., Mason F. Congratulations and thanks for being SUPER!!



Mission Central's bilingual Carnival is happening **Friday, March 8 from 5-7:30**. This is a fun night of games and entertainment for Mission Central families and members of the Mission community. We will have carnival games, food trucks, cake walks, and raffles. Students from Mission Secondary will be coming to help build the carnival game projects with grades 3-6 students and will help run the Carnival the night of the event.

Mme. Hedderson will be kicking off the spring Scholastic Book Fair in the library the night of Carnival. We are hoping to fundraise for books for the classrooms and the library so if you need any books for spring break, you know where to buy them 😊 The Scholastic book fair will also run Monday March 11-Wednesday March 13 from 2:20-3:45pm.

### SHROVE PANCAKE SUPPER

There are two churches in the community who support our breakfast program and provide school supplies for our students. Tuesday, March 5th they will be holding a by donation Pancake Supper at the All Saints Church on 2<sup>nd</sup> avenue as a fundraiser for the breakfast program. Everyone is welcome.

### SCENT FREE SCHOOL



A reminder to families that Mission Central is a scent free school. Please do not wear fragrances/scents to the school as there are several members of the school with severe allergies

## SPORTS

### Volleyball



The Volleyball regular season has finished up with for our teams. The teams improved tremendously and showed great team spirit. The teams will be playing in the year end tournament Thursday March 7 at Heritage Park Middle School or Windebank. Thanks to coaches Gagne, Holland and Kleindienst for their hard work and volunteering their time.

### Track and Field

Track and field will begin practicing in April after spring break.



### Spring Basketball

Our Mission Central spring basketball will be starting sometime after spring break. Stay tuned!

## CLASS PHOTOS



Class photos will be taken on March 13 in the morning. We will begin right away so be sure to arrive on time.

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for all students started on Jan 14. Families can still register for French Immersion and the Regular Program at the school office during the hours of 8:00 - 3:30. A birth certificate or passport is required along with proof of residence to register.

## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART



The Heart and Stroke Foundation has its annual fundraising Campaign underway. We are asking students to participate in the campaign by asking for donation from family and friends. There are two ways to donate: you can make a donation online [http://support.heartandstroke.ca/site/PageServer?pagename=jump\\_donate](http://support.heartandstroke.ca/site/PageServer?pagename=jump_donate) or give a donation directly to the students. For an online donation you will receive an email from a student containing donation instructions. The goal this year is to raise \$1500. There are many great prizes including jump ropes, basketballs, hover air soccer balls, scooters and bikes. The finale for the fundraiser will be held in the afternoon of Thursday, Mar 14. Students will participate is a series of skipping activities finishing with a competition in the gym.

## KNITTING CLUB

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

## EMPOWER

We are bringing information and resources to Mission Elementary Schools. 4 Nights 4 Topics. See attached flyer

April 3rd The Big Chill “Take 2” 5 pm—7 pm — Helping your child build self-regulation skills.

April 10th A Receptive State of Mind 5 pm —7 pm — Responding to your child with receptivity instead of reactivity.

April 17th Cultivating Connections 5 pm—7 pm — Building a warm, positive, responsive & attentive Relationship with your child develops a strong foundation in a child’s brain for future learning, interactions and development

April 24th “Bend & Stretch Reach for the Sky. 5 pm —7 pm — Spend some time with your child bending, stretching, breathing, laughing and just having fun.

## PAC

The next **PAC meeting** will be held Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30pm.

## HOT LUNCH

No Hot Lunch in March

## SNACK SHACK

Snack shack will be held on Tuesday and Thursday each week

## Upcoming Events

### March

Friday, March 1.	Newsletter Home ½ Day Assessment and Evaluation – Dismissal at 11 am
Tuesday, March 5	Samantha Strange Shrove Pancake Supper 5:30-6:30
Friday, March 8	Samantha Strange Spirit Day - Fairy Tale/Fave Book Character Carnaval – 5:00-7:30
Monday, March 11	Report Cards Home
Wednesday, March 13	Class Photos Samantha Strange
<b>March 11 – 13.</b>	<b>Parent/Teacher Conferences</b>
Thursday, March 14.	Jump Rope for Heart wrap up event 12:40 - 2:00 pm
Friday, March 16.	Day in Lieu
<b>March 15 – March 28</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>

## April

Monday, April 1	School Reopens
Wednesday, April 3	Empower- The Big Chill 5-7 pm
Friday, April 5	Newsletter Home 5-7 pm Gr 5, 6 Hot Dog Lunch
Tuesday, April 9	Concours d'art Oratoire (*this may be cancelled)
Wednesday, April 10	Art Starts Assembly Empower- A Receptive State of Mind 5-7 pm
Thursday, April 11	Kindergarten Screening
Friday, April 12	Mid-Month Assembly
Wednesday April 17	Empower- Cultivating Connections 5-7 pm
Thursday, April 18	Spirit Day – Backwards Day
Friday, April 19	Good Friday
Monday, April 22	Easter Monday
Wednesday April 24	Empower – Bend and Stretch 5-7 pm
Friday, April 26	Month End Assembly – 8:45 am

## Upcoming programs at the Mission Public Library

You can also check out the latest library programs at [www.fvrl.ca](http://www.fvrl.ca).

## Mission Library events for March and April:

### LEGO Club

Tuesdays, 3-4:15pm

We provide the LEGO, you bring your imagination!

### BeTWEEN the Pages Book Club

Wednesdays, March 13, April 10, May 8 3:30-4:30 pm

Join a book club to discover new books, enjoy fun activities and make new friends! Registration required. For ages 9-12.

### Paws 4 Stories

Thursday, March 21, April 18, 3:30-4:30 pm

Registration required.

### Spring Break Special: Science World on the Road

Thursday, March 28, 11-1:45 am

Come experience spectacular science demonstrations that showcase the power and spectacle of chemistry, physics and more. Join Science World On The Road for lots of hands-on fun to help you ignite the wonder of science.

### **Tech-Up with Ozobots**

Friday, March 29, 2-3pm

Meet the Ozobots – the pocket-sized coding robots that come with infinite ways to play, create and share. This interactive program is a great introduction to coding, computational thinking and digital exploration for kids in Grades 4 to 6. Presented in partnership with Science World British Columbia. Registration required.

### **Go Big or Go Home: Giant Games**

Saturday, March 30, 10-5pm

Drop by and play our collection of giant-sized games, including Snakes & Ladders, Bananagrams, and more.

### **Spring Book Sale**

Friday, April 5, 10-4pm

Saturday, April 6, 10-3:30 pm

Come buy some gently loved library materials. Sponsored by Mission Friends of the Library.

### **3D Print Demo**

Saturday, April 13, 11:30-12:30 pm

Come and be amazed by a 3D Printer in action.

### **Maze Mayhem: Sphero Challenge**

Wednesday, April 17, 3:30-4:30 pm

Come play with our collection of Sphero robots and learn to program a Sphero to get through our obstacle course. No previous coding experience required. Participants will have a chance to win a Sphero Mini! Registration Required.

### **Dance Fever Puppet Show**

Tues, April 23, 6:45-7:30 pm

Put on your dancing shoes and shuffle over for a boogie-woogie storytime and puppet show.

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**Education**  
**Engagement**



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**Resources**

## PARENTING ON WHEELS 2018/2019

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April 3rd	The Big Chill “Take 2”	5 pm–7 pm	<i>Light</i>
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April 17th	Cultivating Connections	5 pm–7 pm	
April 24th	“Bend & Stretch Reach for the Sky”	5 pm–7 pm	<i>Provided</i>

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#### Where?

**Mission Central  
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Minding**



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