

Mission Central Elementary School

Newsletter



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September has flown by as we move into the Fall. Classes are quickly moving forward with the important learning for this year. Already there have been several great activities held in the school. This past Sept 14 saw the arrival of the Cops For Cancer Tour de Valley riders. The riders rode into the gym and entertained the students with a song, a dance and presentations to the school. Wacky Hair Day was Sept 20th. Our Back to School Barbeque on Sept 20 was an amazing success despite the rain. Thanks to PAC for organizing and running this great event to bring the school and families together at the beginning of the year.

On September 28, Orange Shirt Day was held at École Mission Central. Orange Shirt Day recognizes that “Every Child Matters” and honors those children and families affected by residential schools. “Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come”. All the students and staff in school were offered an orange ribbon. Students spent some time in class discussing the significance of the day. Divs. 1 and 3 walked to and from Heritage Park along with other students from MSS, HPMS, HMS as well as several other elementary schools to participate in the Orange Shirt Day activities held there.

Sept 28 also saw a celebration of one of Mission Central’s most beloved teacher’s work. Culture Days in Mission saw Mission Central hosting Miss Clemo’s Art Notebook. Students have been visiting the Community Garden to see the results of the planting back in June of last year. Recently Kale Chips and Beet Salad were shared with the students and staff.

The Terry Fox run will be held Friday Oct 12 in the afternoon weather permitting. Wear Red and White for the Run. This year grade 3 students will be participating in “It’s a Crime Not to Read”. The program was organized through the FVRL and the RCMP. Officers will be coming into the schools to read to students once a month. October will see field trips to the Apple Barn and Pumpkin Patch for many of our Primary students. Grade 4 students will be completing the Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) in October and November. Look for information coming home.

A couple reminders after the beginning of the school year: There are students and staff at École Mission Central with severe allergies to foods and fragrances. Please do not send nut products to school with your children and refrain from wearing scented products in the building.

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 September 28th. assembly, with congratulations going to: Felix VB., Sienna H., William E., Benjamin H., Obi E., Karter P., Evelyn F.

SPORTS

Cross Country

Our students are already training hard for the two meets this year. Meets are scheduled at Hatzic Elementary on Oct 4 and at Heritage Park on Oct. 11, starting at 3:00 p.m. and finishing around 4:15 p.m.

Basketball

Basketball will be starting soon. Information regarding practices and games will be coming home soon.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, Oct 4	Newsletter home, Cross Country Race - Hatzic
Friday, Oct 5	Non-Instructional Day- (Students not at school)
Monday, Oct. 8	Thanksgiving Day - (Students not at school)
Thursday, Oct 11	Apple Barn Field Trip, Cross Country race - Heritage Park
Friday, Oct. 12	Terry Fox Run, Hot Lunch
Tuesday, Oct 16	Kindergarten Screening
Thursday, Oct 18	PAC meeting 8:45 am, Earthquake Drill, Team Colour Day
Friday, Oct 19	Provincial Pro-D - (Students not at school)
Friday, Oct 26	Hot Lunch, Halloween Carnival 5-7:30 pm
Friday, Oct. 26	Month-End Assembly - 8:45 a.m. (Student of the month)
Monday, Oct 29	Photo Retakes
Wednesday, Oct 31	Halloween Parade

November

Friday, Nov 2	Ready, Set, Learn 9-10 am, Newsletter home
Tuesday, Nov 6	Gr 6 Immunizations
Friday, Nov 9	Remembrance Day Assembly
Monday, Nov 12	Remembrance Day (Students not at school)
Wednesday, Nov 21	Facial Hair Day
Friday Nov 23	½ Day Assessment/Evaluation– Students dismissed at 11 am
Monday, Nov 26	DPAC Meeting at Mission Central
Friday, Nov 30	Month End Assembly – 8:45 am

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club has started up again this year. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to make it happen. Even if you can come 1-2 times a month between 7:30 - 8:30 am it all makes a difference in providing this valuable service to our students. Please contact the school if you can help. We would like to thank the Laforest-Wells family for their generous donation to the Breakfast Club.

HOT LUNCH

Hot lunch has started again at École Mission Central. There will be hot lunches available on **Friday Oct 12** and **Thursday October 26** this month.

Thank you to the PAC for organizing this popular activity.



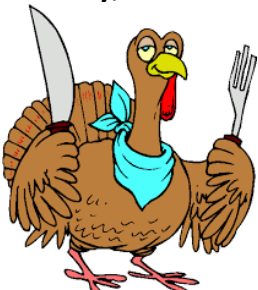
FIRE PREVENTION WEEK October 8-13



Students will also be receiving information brochures to bring home from school.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Monday, October 8th is Thanksgiving Day. Students and staff will not be at school.



STUDENT PHOTO DAY

Individual student photos were held on Sept 27th. Samples will be sent home soon.

Retakes will be on Monday, October 29th.

TERRY FOX RUN

The Terry Fox Run will be **Friday, October 12th** in the afternoon, weather permitting. Students are asked to wear red and white. Our goal is to raise \$500 or the equivalent of \$2 per student. Last year we raised over \$1000. We are looking for parent volunteers to help.

EARTH QUAKE DRILL

École Mission Central is participating in the Great BC Shake Out on **Thursday, October 18th**. Hundreds of schools and thousands of students across BC will get under their desks, hand onto the desk legs, and count to 60.

PAC MEETING

The October PAC meeting will be held at 8:45 a.m. in room 127 on **Thursday, Oct 18th**. PAC needs helpers! If you can give as little as 2 hours a month to help out it or bake a batch of cookies or muffins will make a difference. Please take the time to fill out and submit the help request form. This is a great opportunity to become involved in the school.

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

On **Friday, October 26** Ecole Mission Central PAC will be hosting a Halloween Carnival. There will be lots of great decorations, costumes, activities and prizes for all that attend. Come on down for a Spooktacular time between 5:00-7:30. If you have some time, PAC is in need of volunteers to help set up and run this great event.



CHRISTMAS STORE

PAC is seeking donations for the Christmas Store. This great event happens in December and allows children to purchase gifts for family and friends for only a \$1 each. Additionally, the gifts will be wrapped for them as well.

MISSION PUBLIC LIBRARY

Events:

LEGO Club

Tuesdays, Sept. 4 – Dec. 18, 3pm -4:15pm

Love LEGO? We provide the LEGO, you bring your imagination! Come play, create, and experiment.

BeTweeN the Pages

Wednesdays, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12, 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

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

Creative Ukulele Circle

Tuesdays, Oct 2-23, 7 pm – 8 pm

Join ukulele expert Don Olds as we make music together! We'll be learning new songs every week! Beginners welcome. Bring your own ukulele or have one provided. Registration required.

Happy Halloween! Puppet show

Tuesday October 30, 6:45-7:30 pm

Come celebrate Halloween with a not-too-spooky storytime and a fun puppet show! Costumes welcome!