
Muheim Communiqué

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Principal's Message

We made it folks! Sure Carnival, FSA's, Learning Summaries, and challenging class dynamics can be tricky, but the true test of a school's character is surviving a cold snap and the dreaded "In Days"!

Somewhat related to our weather, please remind your student(s) that they need to wear indoor shoes while inside. It would not be out of the ordinary for us to have a fire drill, and classes do not have time to stop and wait for students to grab their shoes. As well, socks are necessary for safety and hygienic reasons.

I made it through my first Carnival as a French Immersion administrator. Big thanks to CPF for organizing and running the event, our teachers for rallying the troops and participating in the activities, and Mme. Pesce for coordinating our school's efforts with the logistics put in place by the CPF. While I was hoping to be the 3rd McAulay dressed in the coveted Bonhomme costume, I'll have to be patient and hope I get the call next year!

Our school, through our PAC, has managed to land a Healthy Communities Grant. The goal of the Active School Travel Pilot Program is to support more students to use active modes of travel (walk, wheel, cycle, scooter) to and from school. Stay tuned as the details emerge from this exciting opportunity. We are looking at ideas like walking/riding school busses, bike maintenance/repair tutorials, and the development of a small bike skills park on Muheim property.

Learning Summaries are set to go home next week before Spring Break. There will also be information sent home on upcoming fundraisers and events. Thanks for all of your support in what has been a fairly unique year. Spring Break is a bit of a milestone as it feels like the pace really picks up as we make our way towards the end of June.

Reminders:

- Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in appropriate winter wear.
- Parents, please call the school at 250-847-2688 or email the office at mneoffice@sd54.bc.ca if your child will be late or absent.
- There are a lot of overdue library books out there. Please ensure they are returned to our school library as soon as possible.
- If you are dropping items off at the school or picking your child up for an appointment, please call the office upon arrival and we will meet you at the front doors to deliver items or call your child out of their classroom to meet you. Due to Covid restrictions, we are trying to limit the number of adults entering the building. If you must enter, please ensure that you are wearing a mask.

Spring Plant Fundraiser

We will be launching our annual Spring plant fundraiser soon. Watch for order forms coming home with student Learning Summaries on March 12th. Orders will be due by April 16th and plant pick up is scheduled for May 6 & 7th. Right on time for you to purchase a beautiful hanging basket for your mom as a Mother's Day gift on May 9th.

District Policy Consultation:

The Board of Education is currently requesting feedback from it's stakeholders on the following draft policy:

Policy # 1.180 Trustee Code of Conduct. The consultation letter and draft policy can be found on the District's website located at www.sd54.bc.ca The current policy consultation period will run from February 26th, 2021 to April 8th, 2021.

School Website & Facebook

Please visit the Muheim School website at:

<http://mmeweb.sd54.bc.ca/>

Like us on the Muheim Elementary School FaceBook page



Spring Break Camps

Check out the following link for information on camps at Hudson Bay Mountain:

<https://hudsonbaymountain.ca/camps-clubs/>

or contact: hwilson@adventurecamptourism.com

for other options during Spring Break.

CPF News

BV CPF Carnaval 2021

Merci to the teachers for your support with our annual BV CPF Carnaval. Although this year's carnival was much smaller, we were still thrilled to be able to do some of the events for the students. Congrats to Division 4 and Division 8 on winning the Art Project Contest. And a huge thank you to Muheim PAC for your donation to help with the expenses! Merci Beaucoup!

2021 CPF Virtual Concours – More information to come in March!

Concours virtuel Jr: Kindergarten–Grade 5

Submissions for this age group will not be judged competitively. All participants will receive a digital certificate of participation.

Concours virtuel Sr: Grades 6–12 - Submissions will be judged by impartial volunteer judges from across Canada using the Evaluation Rubric (Appendix I).

Students must be a member of BV CPF – Membership is free until March 31st/2021. Visit cpf.ca to join!

(choose SD #54)

Topic: Open! We're inviting students to submit videos in French on anything from their favourite hobbies to their take on current events – we want to learn all about what you are passionate about!

Submission Timeline: March 1st through to May 1st

PAC News

To keep up to date on PAC news please like “Muheim Memorial Elementary School PAC” on Facebook and/or email muheimpacchair@gmail.com to be added to our email list.

Highlights from the past month:

- The PAC received \$8000 for an Active School Travel Pilot Program from the BC Healthy Communities Society aimed to support BC students and families to be active more often on the school journey.

- The PAC held a successful West Coast Seeds fundraiser. Thanks to the organizer Lauren and all those that participated!

What's ahead:

- The PAC is looking for a parent to coordinate restocking the recess bins. With spring approaching the students will be wanting sports equipment for their outside breaks.

- The school is looking for donations of kids puzzles that will be used on cold inside days. Please drop off in the office.

- A number of virtual Science Fairs are happening in the next couple of months. Please see the PAC FB page for links to the different fairs. If your child is completing a Science Fair Project, the PAC would like to help by providing a display board. Please contact ssacharoff@gmail.com if your child would like a display board.

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 30th at 5:30 pm** via zoom. Watch facebook for the link or email muheimpacchair@gmail.com

Calendar

Mar. 9	Subway order forms & pymts due by 3:00pm. No late orders please
Mar. 12	Subway Lunch
Mar. 12	Spring Plant Order Forms sent home with Learning Summaries
Mar. 15-19	Spring Break – School Closed
Mar. 22	First day of classes after Spring Break
Mar. 30	PAC mtg. via Zoom @ 5:30pm

Yours sincerely,

Craig McAulay