
Muheim Communiqué

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Principal's Message

November brought us some actual winter-like weather, eventually. However, December's arrival has been highlighted by some fairly indecisive weather, once again. Whether it's cool weather, an abundance of puddles, or a thick blanket of snow, please make sure your student is arriving at school dressed appropriately.

You may have noticed, or heard of, our recently constructed snow hills in the back playground. The folks at the maintenance yard have kindly started moving some snow around so that our students can have a hill to play on. Our rules are still evolving, but we are asking that students wear snow pants if they want to slide and that there is no rough-housing on the hill. Those are two fairly concrete rules. Otherwise, we are asking for students to be safe, and will redirect them if they are struggling with that concept. Maintenance has committed to building and maintaining the hill throughout the winter months. We are purchasing crazy carpets and are encouraging students to use them on the hill. Sleds from home have to be similar – sit upon sleds/sliders, no stand-up boards, or GT's. It should be a lot of fun!

Please refrain, if possible, from dropping students off too early. If students do arrive before 8:50, they should be directed to the back of the school where our supervision is scheduled. We can't safely have students in the front of the school without supervision, nor is this an area where we are encouraging students to gather.

This will be our last newsletter before the Christmas break, so we wanted to wish all the members of our school community a safe and festive holiday season. There has been lots asked of parents, students, and the school system in general, so we could all use a well-deserved break. Thanks for your support and Happy Holidays!

Reminders:

- Parents, please call the school at 250-847-2688 or email the office at mmeoffice@sd54.bc.ca if your child will be late or absent.
- If your child comes to school after 9:00am, please have them check in at the office before they go to their classroom. Students also need to remember to check in/out at the office when leaving early for lessons/appts.
- Please confirm after school plans with your child before school so they know if they are taking the bus home or not that day. If bus plans change at some point during the day, please remind them to come to the office and take their name off the bus list so we are not looking for them at the end of the day.
- In order to decrease the amount of traffic in and out of the school, please call the office before entering and staff will meet you at the door for pickup or drop off of items for your child. Visitors, including parents, that must enter the building are required to wear a mask.

School Website & Facebook

Please visit the Muheim School website at:

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

Like us on the Muheim Elementary School Facebook page



PAC News

A big thank you to all of the parents and volunteers for their support with the Poinsettia and Rancho fundraisers. Unfortunately, the pecans, pistachios and hazelnuts were backordered and will arrive in January.

We have a number of 1 lb. bags of Rancho items available for purchase. Please see our Facebook page for more information on these. Also, we have Muheim Buffs for sale that would make excellent small gifts under the tree. They are \$10 each, email ssacharoff@gmail.com to purchase one of these.

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:

- We helped fund the purchase of snow sliders for the school.
- We contributed towards gymnastics sessions for a number of divisions
- We purchased \$500 worth of inclusion/anti-racism books and delivered them to the Muheim Library

What’s ahead:

- The PAC has plans to provide a small assortment of catered appetizers and treats for the Muheim Staff in lieu of our regular PAC provided potluck holiday lunch.
- The PAC is exploring a multiyear project to improve the outdoor space at Muheim. The space we are considering upgrading is the current garden space and adjacent areas, it does not include the playground or the fields. Our ideas include:

creating a shelter/outdoor classroom, repainting hopscotch/four square lines, planting more schoolyard trees, replacing rotting garden boxes and sprucing up garden space, improving muddy pathways, and incorporating a school wide art project like a mural or tiles. We have begun to form a committee but need more members.

Email muheimpacchair@gmail.com if you are interested.

Our next meeting is January 12, 2021 at 5:30 pm over zoom. We would love to see some new faces! The zoom link will be on the Facebook page a couple days before.

Calendar

Dec. 8	Subway lunch orders due
Dec. 11	Subway lunch day
Dec. 18	Festive Friday themed-day
Dec. 18	Last day of classes before Christmas break
Jan. 4	Pro D Day – no classes
Jan. 5	First day back after Christmas break
Jan. 12	PAC Zoom Meeting 5:30pm
Jan. 18-22	Kindergarten registration week

The Jan 4 Planning Day was the day originally scheduled in September. It was moved to early January because of COVID planning in the Fall. Schools will be using Jan. 4th to review our First Term and make plans for the remainder of the year.

Yours sincerely,



Craig McAulay