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# Muheim Communiqué

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## Principal's Message

We survived a snow(y) day without bussing, the excitement of Hallowe'en, and a Friday all at once. Pretty sure we can manage anything now! November has arrived and fall has given way to winter. Once the weather sorts itself out, it will actually look and feel like winter, too.

One thing to keep in mind is we're noticing many of our students wandering the halls without inside shoes. Occasionally, we have students who are barefoot in the school. For a variety of reasons, safety and hygiene being at the forefront, please make sure students have inside shoes and wear socks. It would not be a lot of fun if students had to be outside because of a fire drill without appropriate footwear.

We will be taking some time out of our day next week to acknowledge Remembrance Day. This year, as seems to be the case with many events, we will be adapting our traditional assemblies so that we can recognize the significance of the day in a safe manner.

Be sure to check our Facebook page for updates and info. Facebook, email, and notices sent home are generally the most efficient modes of sharing information with our parent community. Muheim PAC also posts school info for parents to access. If you are unsure, please feel free to call the school to get any questions clarified.



**Lest We  
Forget**

## Staff 2020/2021

Teacher
Mme Tessier (Gr. 2/3)
Mrs. Schelter/Ms McKnight (Gr. 3/4)
Mme Dubeau/Ms Doerksen (Gr. 5/6)
Mr. Richmond (Gr.5/6)
Ms. Hoffman/Ms Doerksen (Gr. 7)
Mr. Dufresne (Gr. 7)
Ms. Dufresne – Learner Support
Ms. Harrop – Learner Support
Mme Pesce/Ms Doerksen (Gr. 4/5)
M Gagnon (Gr. 3/4)
Ms. Page/Ms. L'Orsa (Gr. K)
Mme Watson (Gr. K)
Mrs. Stokes – Strong Start
Ms. L'Orsa/Ms. Eller (Gr.1)
Ms. Sikkes – Teacher Librarian
Mme Dow (Gr. K/1)
Ms. Love (Gr. 2/3)
Mme. Leblanc/Mme. Bourrie (Gr 1/2)
Ms. Belanger – Support Staff
Mme Dumont – Support Staff/French Language Support
Mme D'Andrea – French Language Support
Ms. Markert – Support Staff
Ms. Moodie – Support Staff
Ms. Houle – Support Staff
Mme Lapointe – Support Staff
Mrs. Woroniuk – Support Staff
Mrs. Nadeau – Clerical staff
Ms. Connors – Clerical staff/library
Ms Wyllie - Custodial
Ms Trinh- Custodial
Ms Alfred – Indigenous Support Worker
Vice Principal's – Mme Pesce
Principal – Mr. McAulay

## **Reminders:**

- Please do not park in the staff parking lot when dropping off or picking up your children. This area becomes too congested and dangerous for students and is designated for staff only.
- 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.
- It is getting colder out. Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather. Students will be expected to remain outside in the morning and at the breaks throughout the day.

## **District Policy Consultation**

The Board of Education is currently requesting feedback from it's stakeholders on the following draft policy: *Policy # 1.1310 Administrative Regulations* The consultation letter and draft policy can be found on the District's website located at [www.sd54.bc.ca](http://www.sd54.bc.ca) The current policy consultation period will run from October 19, 2020 to November 27, 2020.

## **School Website & Facebook**

Please visit the Muheim School website at:

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

Like us on the Muheim Elementary School Facebook page



## **Lifetouch Photos**

Retake photos were taken on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Photo proofs will be sent home soon for students that had retakes. If you wish to order from the original proofs, please go to <https://lifetouch.ca/school-pictures/> and use the information below to find your child's photos:

School Name/ Nom de l'école :  
Muheim Memorial Elem School  
Picture Day Date/ Date de la  
journée photo : Wednesday,  
September 23  
Picture Day ID/ Code de la  
journée photo : QO650192QP

## **Book Fair**

Our first book fair has been scheduled for Nov 19 and 20. Only students will be allowed to view books in the library for purchase between 9:00am – 1:30pm on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> & between 9:00am – 3:00pm on Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>. Scholastic is working on developing a hybrid program where books can be viewed virtually and parents can purchase online. Links will be sent out closer to the book fair date.

## **PAC News**

A big thanks to all of the parents that have supported our fundraisers! Rancho, Mabel's Labels and the first hot lunch were all successful.

To keep up to date on PAC news please like "Muheim Memorial Elementary School PAC" on Facebook and/or email [muheimpacchair@gmail.com](mailto:muheimpacchair@gmail.com) to be added to our email list.

## **Highlights from the past month:**

- We gave the school \$2800 (\$200 per division) to be used for field trip bussing fees.
- We contributed towards gymnastics sessions for a number of divisions
- We contributed towards a felting art project, "We Felt the Seasons" for a number of divisions with artist Lori Knorr.

**What's ahead:**

- A few years ago, the PAC created a recess bin for each division containing age appropriate outdoor toys. Snow shovels, balls, sidewalk chalk, etc. Each year we budget to restock these bins. This year we are also including board games. Keep an eye on the Facebook page for how you can contribute.

- The PAC is purchasing ~\$500 of inclusion/anti-racism themed books for the Muheim Library as a thank you to our past principal Bev Forster.

- 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](mailto:muheimpacchair@gmail.com) if you are interested.

**Calendar**

- Nov. 6 Poinsettia orders due
- Nov. 6 Hot Dog orders due – Gr 7 Fundraiser
- Nov. 10 Remembrance Day events at Muheim
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day – no classes
- Nov. 19/20 Student Only Book Fair  
Online purchases avail. for parents
- Nov. 20 Subway Lunch
- Nov. 27 Pro D Day – no classes

Yours sincerely,



Craig McAulay