

MacCorkindale News

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October, 2018

Important Dates to Remember

Oct. 3: Taiko Drumming Performance 9:00 am
Oct. 4: Taiko Drumming Workshop for all Divisions
Oct. 5: Individual Picture Day
Oct. 8: School closed for Thanksgiving
Oct. 17: PAC Meeting 6:00 pm
Oct. 18: Cross Country Final Meet at Trout Lake
Oct. 19: Pro-D Day school not in session
Oct. 24 & 25: Parent-Teacher Conferences
2:00 pm Dismissal
Oct. 24 & 25: Family Photo Night
Oct. 26: Be Your Best Assembly 11:10 am ALL WELCOME!
Oct. 26: Halloween Family Dance 5:30 pm



Information Forms

Several forms have been sent home recently. Please take the time to look over each one and return them to the school as soon as possible, especially the **Emergency Contact Information Sheet**. Current telephone numbers and emails are important in case we need to contact you or your designated emergency contacts during school hours.

Fun Lunches

The first Fun Lunch of the year saw many hungry tummies and after, many happy faces. If you have not yet placed your child's order for the duration of the session, you may still order for the remaining lunches. A rotation of different menus will occur to accommodate students' favorite lunches. For your convenience the site will be open for orders for the final time for fall on these dates: Oct 1 and 2 and then again from Oct 6-9.

To order, go to the following website: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/maccorkindale> and set up your account before making your selections. Call Mr. Low if you have any questions.

Halloween at MacCorkindale

The Student Council will be encouraging everyone to dress up on Tuesday, October 31st for Halloween. There will be a parade in the gym so students can show off their costumes!

In preparation for Halloween, students will attend a Halloween Safety presentation with Constable Purewal on Thursday, October 23rd.

As students begin to choose their Halloween costumes, please be mindful that: **No plastic/fake weapons or sharp objects will be permitted.**



Dress for the Weather



Since the weather in Vancouver this time of year can be wet, cold, or unpredictable, please ensure that your child is dressed warmly. Having a rain jacket is a necessity. Keeping a toque, mittens, and an extra pair of socks in your child's backpack is a good idea as well. Outdoor time at recess and lunch is the norm. An inside day will only occur during an extreme downpour.

Parent / Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, October 24th & Thursday, October 25th
Early Dismissal at 2:00 pm for all students

MacCorkindale WEBSITE

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/schools/maccorkindale>

Visit the website for updates on school activities and the most recent news from PAC.

Terry Fox Run

Thank you to everyone who contributed and participated in the Terry Fox Run last Thursday. The school goal of collecting \$500.00 for the Terry Fox Foundation was easily surpassed by the staff and students of MacCorkindale. We collected a grand total of \$753.90. In addition, the school will contribute an additional amount, (proceeds from the Fun Lunch program) to take our total contribution to \$1000. Well done MacCorkindale!



Safe Arrival



To Report Your Child's Absence:

Call **604-713-4775** prior to 9:00 am on the first day of the absence. Notifying the school in advance of your child's absence will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Safe Arrival Morning Routine.

Student Sign-Out and Late Sign-In Procedure

When you pick up your child during the school day, please ensure that you sign them out at the school office. If you do not sign out your child, they will be unaccounted for, and the school will identify your child as a 'missing' student and will commence a search of school grounds.

If the school staff do not locate the child, and are unable to reach a parent promptly, the school will call the Vancouver Police Department. Therefore, clear communication is essential for ensuring the safety of your child and to prevent unnecessary searches. As well if you arrive after 9:00 a.m. please Sign-In with the office. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe!

Dropping Off - Picking Up Your Child

School staff will provide supervision starting at 8:40 am in the morning and after school only until 3:20 pm. Parents are asked to be on time and ensure that their children understand the family's drop-off and pick-up arrangements. Please do not be late picking up your child. If some unforeseen event happens that you will be late, please contact the school office.

MacCorkindale Traffic Guidelines

- Traffic is encouraged to drive north-bound on Battison Street.
- No parking allowed in front of the school as signs state.
- **Quick drop off and pick-up on the school side of the street ONLY.**
- Leave space in front of the school for school buses to park.
- Only staff are allowed to drive into and walk in the staff parking lot

We appreciate the efforts of drivers who follow these instructions for Battison Street and therefore working with the school to ensure a safe arrival and departure every day for each student. Thank you!



After School Programs

The Killarney Community Schools Team is ready for an awesome 2018 - 2019 school year with their new programming. Registration begins **today, October 1st** after school in the gymnasium. You can register by phone starting October 3rd for remaining spots at 604-713-5887.



PAC Update

There was a very good turn out for our first meeting this year. Thank you to all who came. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, October 17th at 6:00 pm in the school library. Hope to see you there! The PAC Executive can be contacted at: maccorkindalepac@hotmail.com

MacCorkindale Spirit Wear

Be sure to order your MacCorkindale Spirit Wear! Great to wear for school sports. Samples can be found in the school office. An order form has been attached to this email. Due date for orders is Thursday, October 18th.



Parent Education Series 2018-2019

Vancouver Coastal Health in collaboration with the Vancouver School Board are offering a series of Child and Youth Wellbeing Workshops.

Cost: FREE

Location: VSB Education Centre, 1580 West Broadway Street, Room 180

Time: 6:00 pm (2hours)

Topics:

- Navigating the Mental Health System: October 2nd, 2018
- Anxiety in Children and Youth: November 13th, 2018
- Depression in Children and Youth, January 10th, 2019
- Responding to Challenging Behaviour: February 12th, 2019
- Supporting Your Child with ADHD: April 16th, 2019
- Encouraging Healthy Eating in Children: May 22nd, 2019



* To register go to eventbrite.ca and search the workshop title.



Red Cross Babysitting!



Covered in this course: Exploring the Business of Babysitting

Creating Safe Environments

Safely Caring for ages 0-12

First Aid Skills

WHERE: MacCorkindale Elementary

WHEN: Friday, November 9, 2018

TIME: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

COST: \$60.00 + \$3.00 GST = \$63.00 TOTAL

HOW TO SIGN UP:

Please follow the online Registration Link:

<http://www.firstaidhero.com/babysitting-vancouver.html>

