



Mission Hill Elementary School

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Principal: Melissa Yurkowski Vice-Principal: Jason Beck

Our mission: "We inspire and nurture students to thrive in their learning, relationships, and community."

We are so fortunate to live, work and play on the unceded territory of the Sylix First Nations people.

We have all had a wonderful start up. Students are coming to school with so much zest for learning.

Our lunch program is going well, and we are happy to provide lunch to any students who require food or even extra food. Please remind students that's they can go to Room 5 when they come in from outside.

October is Library Month

Students will be entered for a draw each time they sign out a book. There will be a prize for each grade. Students celebrating their favorite book by creating a little message that will be hung in the library.

Fall Conferences

Fall Conferences will take place Wednesday October 23 from 11:30am-6:15pm. Each teacher will send out specific information. Booking for these is done on-online. Students will be dismissed at 11:30am on Wednesday, October 23 and Thursday, October 24.

Book Fair

The book fair will be happening in the library October 23 during fall conferences and for an hour on October 24. This is a huge fundraiser for our library so if you are looking for Christmas/Birthday gifts now is a great time to get a jump on holiday shopping.



Cross-Country

The last cross-country race is today in Lumby. Unfortunately, the first race had to be cancelled due to extreme weather. Great job to our racers who dedicated their recesses to practice and a huge thank you to Mrs. Drinkwater and Mr. Deleenheer managing and coaching the team.

Volleyball games start next week for our grade 6/7 students. Mr. Deleenheer will coach the girls' teams and Ms. Ellis will be coaching the boys' team, thank you to both teachers for volunteering their time. We are in desperate need for referees for these teams, so if you or anyone you know can referee, I can send them the rules.

Reminder of Cell Phones or Tablets

The use of cell phones and or tablets are for educational purposes only. Students will not be allowed to use their phone during school hours for personal use. All students will have to keep their phones away in their backpacks or give them to staff to lock in a safe location.

School Supplies/Fees

Kindergarten: School Supplies \$45; Cultural Fees \$5 (\$50.00) Grade 1: \$60.00-School Supplies, Agenda, Cultural Fee Grace 2-3: \$65.00- School Supplies, Agenda, Cultural Fee Grade 4-7: \$60.00- School Supplies, Cultural Fee We know that you may not be able to pay all the fees at once but please pay what you can, when you can before October 31st.

Welcome Back Barbecue – Was a huge success, with over 460 meals being served. Thanks to the Silver Star Rotary, Mission Hill PAC and the Mission Hill Leadership students for an amazing evening.



Terry Fox

Terry Fox run went well with \$126 dollars raised for Cancer Research. Thanks to all families that sent money for this cause.



Volleyball Season Volunteers

We cherish our volunteers. If you are planning on helping at Mission Hill with our students, SD 22 requires a criminal record check. Please come into the office for information on the online registration. Thanks for supporting your community school!

way' to all of Mission Hills Indigenous Families

You should have received a letter from the Indigenous Education Department by the mail. Please take the time to read the information provided, find the Consent Form and sign it (if you agree to services of course!) to be returned to the school.

CALLING ALL PARENTS) – come and meet your <u>Mission Hill PAC</u>. The next PAC meeting is on **Monday**, **November 4**th at 7:00pm in the library. We are looking for volunteers to help out. Come and make Mission Hill the best place possible for our students. Any questions or comments email the PAC at <u>missionhillpac@outlook.com</u>

Other items to note:

 To ensue we have up-to-date information, please make any necessary changes, and return them to the school office asap. For example your email, address or phone number has changed you can email the secretary, Ms. Pietrasik at wpietrasik@sd22.bc.ca

Christmas Bazaar

We are starting to collect items for the Christmas Bazaar, so if you have any new or lightly used items, please bring them to the office.



Bell Schedule

Morning	8:25
Classes Begin	8:30
Recess Begins	10:20
Recess Ends	10:35
Student Play	12:25
Student Eat	12:57
Afternoon Classes B	Begin 1:16
Dismissal	2:30

We have a safe arrival program. If you child is ill or will be absent from school, please leave a message at 250-545-0639.

If a student is absent and the school has not received a call from home, the school will phone home, to ensure student safety.

October 9- Cross Country Run Lumby

October 11- Picture Retakes and for anyone who missed picture day.

October 14- Happy Thanksgiving- no school

October 23- Fall Conferences- early dismissal 11:30

October 24- Early dismissal 11:30

October 25- Professional Development Day- no school for students

October 31- Halloween Festivities- more info to come.

November 7- Remembrance Day Assembly

November 8- Professional Development Day- no school for students

November 11- Remembrance Day- no school