



James McKinney Newsletter

News From the Eagle's Nest!

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Important Dates Coming Up at McKinney

June 5	Immunizations (K & Gr.6)
June 7	P.A.C. Hot Lunch (Sushi)
June 13	Crossing Guards Pizza Lunch
June 16	Sports Day
June 21	P.A.C. Hot Lunch (A&W)
June 23	Recognition Assembly 10:00 a.m. Family Picnic 11:45a.m.-12:45p.m.
June 26	Grade 7 Party
June 27	Talent Show 1:30-2:45 p.m.
June 28	Last Day of School Farewell Assembly 1:30 p.m. Report Cards Sent Home

Administrators' Message

June is already here and we are in the final stretch of the school year. Earlier this week, intermediate students from McKinney attended our zone track meet at Minoru. We are proud of the excellent participation and sportsmanship that our students displayed in spite of the rainy weather.

We look forward to several special events coming up this month as we enjoy these final weeks together before the summer break. For our grade 7 students these weeks mark the end of their elementary school careers. We'd like to thank our senior students for the many contributions they have made at McKinney school during their time here. We appreciate the service and leadership they have provided and wish them a fond farewell as they prepare to say their good-byes.

Ms. Roy and Mr. Rollins

P.A.C. NEWS

The final P.A.C. meeting of 2017/18 was held last week. At this meeting, elections were held for the PAC Executive for the 2017/18 school year. The Executive is as follows:

- Co-Chair—Michelle Li
- Co-Chair—Allie Ridley
- Secretary—Sheila Baier
- Treasurer—Leanne Santha (continuing)

We'd like to thank last year's executive members Brenda Khoo, Dora Groumoutis and Mukta Surma who are stepping down. We appreciate all your hard work and the dedication you've shown in these roles over the years. A big thank you to Leanne Santha who will be continuing in her role of P.A.C. treasurer.

Notice of Late Return—Sept. 2017-18

The first day of school for the 2017-18 school year is Tuesday, September 5th. If there are extenuating circumstances and your child will not be able to start the school year later than Wednesday, September 6th, parents will need to complete a Notice of Late Return Form. This form is available at the office. Please note that if a student is not returning on or before September 15th the school cannot guarantee the ability to be enrolled in the school and there may be a need for placement at another school. **We ask that this form be completed and submitted before June 23, 2017.** In the event of an unforeseen family circumstance occurring on or after July 3, 2017 that causes an unexpected late return to the school, the parent must advise the school by email via the school website.

Student Class Placements for 2017/18

In the spring of each year, schools in Richmond begin planning for the next school year. As school administrators we have had preliminary meetings with board office personnel and we have begun to look at possible scenarios for organization in September.

Our school population fluctuates somewhat as some students continue to move into our area, and some students transfer out through to the end of the year. The final school organization and class placements occur the first week of school in September.

McKinney staff spends puts considerable thought and effort into determining placement of our students in classes. There are many factors that are considered including:

- learning style, strengths and needs
- work habits
- social relationships
- previous placements

Students are placed into classes by the Principal after consultation with teachers. As a parent, if you have information about your child based on the above factors that you would like us to consider when placing your child for next year, we ask that a letter or email be directed to Ms. Roy by **Monday, June 12th**.

We ask that you do not request specific teaching personnel, rather that you limit your communication to sharing important educational or personal data that will assist us with our planning. This information will be shared with teachers.

Summer Courses in Richmond

The Richmond School District is offering a variety of academic and recreation courses and daycamps this summer at locations around the city.

Please see McKinney School's website or the Richmond School District's website for more information.

Sports Day—June 16th

We are busy planning for this year's Sports Day coming up on June 16th. Our theme this year is "Tropical Island." Students met today in their teams to select a team name. Next week students will start learning their cheers. More information will be sent home closer to the date!

Grade 7 and Panorama Photo Ordering

Our service provider, Lifetouch Canada Ltd., has arranged for our Grade 7 and Panorama photos to be completed online. Please reference the following details when viewing the photos, placing an order and making a payment:

Website: www.lifetouchevents.com

Guest Password: jamesmckinney2017

All orders submitted to Lifetouch Canada Inc. will be sent directly to your home address.

Note: There is a \$7.00 shipping and handling fee applied to each order.

Please submit your request to Lifetouch Canada Inc. by June 30, 2017.

Talent Show—June 27th

On June 27th at 1:30 p.m. we will be holding a talent show in the gym. Students will be invited to audition at various times over the two weeks prior to the show. We ask that performances are 3 minutes or shorter. We look forward to this opportunity for our students (and possibly staff members) to share their talents!

Tomorrow's Top Kids Summer Adventures

Tomorrow's Top Kids is currently taking registrations for their summer program. Please visit the clubhouse here at McKinney School or call 604-437-4744 or visit www.ttk.org for more information.



