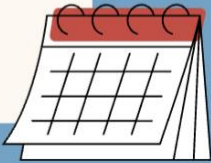




Weekly Parent Newsletter

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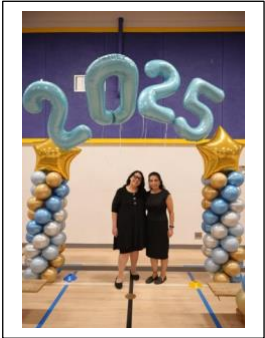


McKinney Community
The Week Ahead: September 22-26

Monday	PRO D Day-No school for students
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	PAC Lunch- Sushi
Friday	School forms Due (Medical, Walking, Technology)

Dear McKinney Families,

The energy here at McKinney is already palpable. Students are settling into routines with their divisions, teachers are getting to know their students, and our hallways are beginning to showcase wonderful art projects. You will soon be able to see those displays and get to know what your child is doing at here at school a little bit more during our “Meet the Teacher” Night on Thursday, September 25th from 5-6 PM. Please join us in the gym for a brief introduction before heading into your child’s classroom.



Today we had our Terry Fox Run. It was wonderful to see all our of McKinney Eagles outside running laps and thinking of Terry’s legacy.

And introducing our new PAC executive:

Anita Kainth - Chairperson
Tara Caffrey - Vice Chairperson
Kelly Tau & Rupee Kahlon - Treasurers
Judy Wong - Social Media
Christina Lai - Secretary
Sunny Song - Food Coordinator
Ellen Huang & Ivy Ho - Members-at-Large

Please reach out to any one of us if you have questions.

Sincerely,
Ms. Zvi and Ms. Sood

Important Information:



1. **NO SCHOOL – Tuesday, September 30th**, to pause and consider the importance of National Truth and Reconciliation Day.



2. **PAC lunches-** are online, on Munch a Lunch. You can now order your lunches for your child by going to our McKinney School web page to click on the button called **Munch a Lunch**.



3. **PAC Fundraiser – Okanagan Apples** – McKinney PAC is very pleased to partner with the distinguished Okanagan orchard Sun-Oka Fruit Farms to sell their delicious farm-fresh apples.

Share this fundraiser sale with your friends and family! For every 2 friends who buy from your link, you will save \$2/box on your own order, and the discount increases with more buyers!

Apples will be picked up at McKinney school.

To purchase your own apples now: <https://fundraising.sunokafruit.com/sales/082180003/org-campaign/mckinney-pac-harvest-2025?tab=1&re=>

To set up a link for your friends and family and get discounts on your own order: https://fundraising.sunokafruit.com/seller_2/082180003/org-campaign/mckinney-pac-harvest-2025

Online orders only. Deadline to order is **October 6**, and apples will be available for pickup on **October 16 at McKinney School**. We will contact families with pick-up details closer to the delivery date.



4. **Movie Night-** A huge thank you to our PAC and parent volunteers for hosting a Movie night on Monday, September 29th at 6 pm. You can order your pizza on Munch a lunch. Hope you can join us!

McKinney PAC presents

September MOVIE NIGHT

Movie: The Bad Guys 1



Monday
Sept 29

Movie starts at 6:00pm

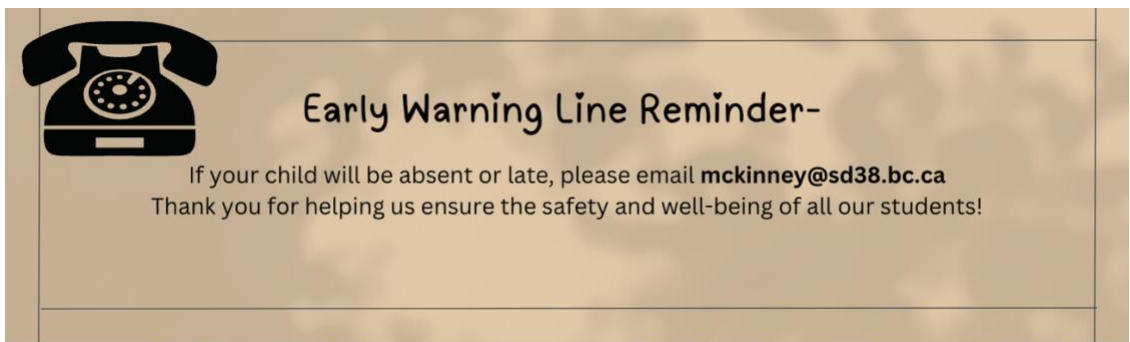
Admission is by donation. McKinney students and their family are welcome to attend. Please bring your own mat.

Food order deadline is Monday September 22
Place your order on [MunchaLunch.com](https://munchalunch.com)

5. **Meet the Teacher – Coming soon! Plan to join us from 5-6 PM on September 25th. We will begin in the gym. This event provides families a chance to meet their child’s classroom teacher and hear about what the year will look like for their child. This is not a time to ask teachers how**

their child is doing since they have only been with your child for a very short time.

6. **FSA (Foundational Skills Assessment).** - Parents who have children in grade 4 or grade 7, please note that you should have received an email from the School District on September 11th, 2025, that shares information about the FSAs (**Foundational Skills Assessment**). Our learners will be starting the FSA in October.
7. You should have received a package of notices for the school start-up. It is essential that these notices are returned no later than **Monday, September 29th**. Kindly return these forms to your classroom teacher as soon as possible.
8. **PARKING** – A friendly reminder that the neighbourhood streets and Cul-d-sac are for drop-off only. This means drivers should park on the street at designated city spots and get out. Please be considerate of our neighbors as they cannot get out of their driveways. Thank you very much.



Upcoming Dates:

Sept 21-27 Gender Equality Week

Sept 22 Pro-D Day (no school)



Sept 22-Oct 1 Navaratri (Hindu) – *wishing those who celebrate at Subh Navratri*

Sept 23-24 Rosh Hashana (Jewish) – *wishing those who celebrate a Shana Tova*

Sept 26 Spirit Day – wear your McKinney spirit wear! Or blue and yellow (our colours)

Sept 29 Orange Shirt Day – wear orange shirts to school to remember that Every Child Matters

Sept 29 Evacuation Drill

Sept 29 PAC Movie

Sept 30 National Truth & Reconciliation Day (no school)

Oct 1-2 Dussehra (Hindu) – *Wishing those who celebrate a joyous Dussehra!*

Oct 1-2 Yom Kippur (Jewish) - *Wishing those who celebrate a “G'mar Chatima Tovah”*

Oct 4 National Day of Action to Honour Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

Oct 6 PAC Meeting @ 7 pm

Oct 7 RAM Meeting @ Garden City

Oct 9 Photo Day

Oct 6-13 Sukkot (Jewish)

Oct 10 World Inclusion Day

Oct 10 Mental Health Day

September 11-17th was Mennonite Heritage Week

Did you know?

- The Canadian Parliament officially proclaimed Mennonite Heritage Week in 2019.
- The first Mennonites arrived in what is now Canada in the late 1700s, seeking refuge from war and persecution in other lands.
- Takes place annually during the 2nd week of September

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Scan the QR codes below and follow along on Facebook and Instagram.

**James McKinney
Parent Advisory Council**

Stay Connected!

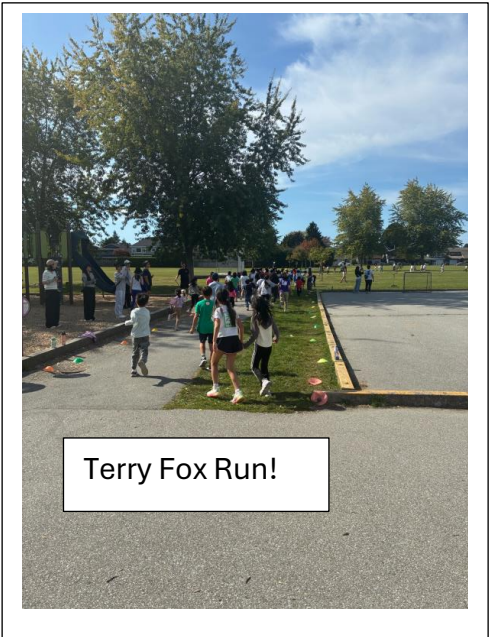
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PHOTOS OF THE WEEK





“We are all connected”



