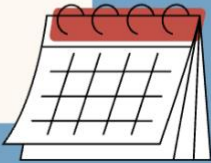




Weekly Parent Newsletter

James McKinney Elementary School
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Ms. Zvi, Principal & Ms. Sood, Vice Principal



McKinney Community
The Week Ahead: November 17-21

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	Hot Lunch-BM Gourmet
Friday	

Dear Families,

It's getting rainy and the leaves have hit the ground...but that doesn't stop us from having fun outside! Thank you for sending your children to school with **waterproof boots and coats** and whatever other gear feels appropriate for the day. Thank you for your support and partnership always.



This week we honoured **Remembrance Day** with lessons in the classroom and a schoolwide assembly on Monday morning. And we learned that peace is not just something big that happens far away. Peace begins with us. **Peace starts with the choices we make every single day.** Students were encouraged to help a friend, solve a problem with words instead of anger, and stand up for someone who needs help. That is how we can show care for ourselves, others, and this place—those are all ways of building peace. I encourage you to continue this discussion at home. How can we be peaceful at home and at school?

Have a lovely weekend,

Ms. Zvi and Ms. Sood



Early Warning Line: If your child will be absent or late, please call **604-668-6691** and leave messages or email mckinney@sd38.bc.ca.

Upcoming Dates:

- Nov 25 RAM Meeting 7 PM (online)
- Nov 28 Spirit Day – Funny Hat/Hair Day
- Dec 1 Pro-D Day (no school)0
- Dec 8 PAC Meeting 7 PM
- Dec 12 Immunization (Gr. 6/7)
- Dec 18 Learning Updates Published
- Dec 19 Spirit Day/ Last day before winter break

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



**WE ARE SEARCHING FOR A FEW PARENT VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH
CROSSWALK SUPERVISION FROM 8:35-8:45 A.M. AND 2:40-2:50 P.M.**

**PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING ON A
PARTICULAR DAY OF THE WEEK.**

**YOUR SUPPORT HELPS US KEEP OUR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES SAFE
DURING THE BUSY DROP-OFF AND PICKUP TIMES.**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING, PLEASE EMAIL ME AT
ZVI@SD38.BC.CA. PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME, CHILD'S NAME AND
YOUR AVAILABILITY (WHICH DAY, BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL, ETC).**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND CARE FOR OUR
SCHOOL COMMUNITY.**

PAC News



Chocolates for a good cause

Scan to order
Order by Nov 24 | Pickup in early Dec

Order your winter treats through our custom link and up to 30% of your purchase goes directly to McKinney PAC to support dance workshops at McKinney this year! Everything is made in Canada and packed with care at the Purdys Vancouver chocolate factory.

Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser - Order by November 24
Calling all chocolate lovers! 🍫 The McKinney Purdys Fundraiser is underway and we hope you can help us reach our goal. Christmas is just around the corner; consider gifting Purdys chocolates to your friends and family!

Order your winter treats through our custom link and up to 30% of your purchase goes directly to McKinney PAC to support dance workshops at McKinney this year! Everything is made in Canada and packed with care at the Purdys Vancouver chocolate factory.

Shop here👉 <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1377582-131348>
Note: You will need to create an account to view the online catalogue and place your order.
Order deadline: November 24
Pick up at McKinney: December 4**(subject to delivery date confirmation)

Sun Oka Apple Pickup

For those who placed an order for the second harvest, please get ready to pick up your apples:

Date: November 20 (Thursday)

Time: Immediately after school at 2:45-3:00pm

Location: At the south entrance by the staff parking lot

Note: Each box of apples weighs 10 lbs, so it's a good idea to bring a wagon or dolly to pick up your orders.

Please come on time. There won't be storage at the school. If you're unable to pick up, please contact the PAC at mckinneypac@gmail.com immediately.

McKinney Spirit Wear Orders

Orders will be distributed in class in late November.

Hot Lunch Orders

Don't miss out on ordering an upcoming hot lunch from these exciting menus! To place an order, visit <http://www.munchalunch.com>. You can place an order for multiple lunches in advance! First time users will need to create an account to log in.

- Nov 20 - BM Gourmet Day - *Order by Nov 14, 11:59PM*
- Nov 27 - Boston Pizza Day - *Order by Nov 21, 11:59PM*
- Dec 4 - Domino's Pizza Day - *Order by Nov 28, 11:59PM*
- Dec 11 - Fukuroku Sushi Day - *Order by Dec 5, 11:59PM*
- Dec 18 - KFC Day - *Order by Dec 12, 11:59PM*

👟❄️ Winter Wonderland Family Skate - December 18❄️👟

We are beyond excited to announce that the PAC-sponsored Winter Wonderland Family Skating event will be held on Thursday, December 18 at 5:00pm. McKinney families are welcome to attend and admission, skates and helmet rentals are included. We hope to see you there!

Volunteers Needed

The PAC is seeking parent volunteers to assist with the following initiative. Your involvement helps create a positive and lasting school experience for your child.

Movie Nights: Were you planning on attending a future movie night with your child? The PAC is looking for a volunteer to help with audio visuals setup. This entails equipment setup before the movie, start and stop the movie, and pack up afterwards. Dates are: Jan 23, Mar 13.

Please contact mckinneypac@gmail.com if you are interested.

McKinney PAC is on Social Media

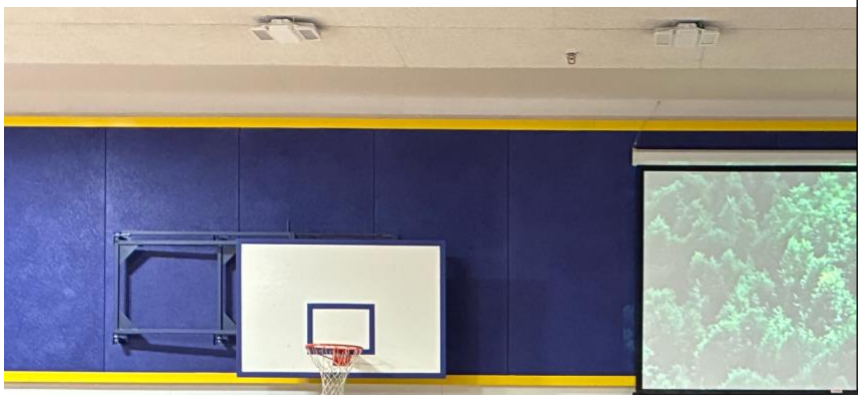
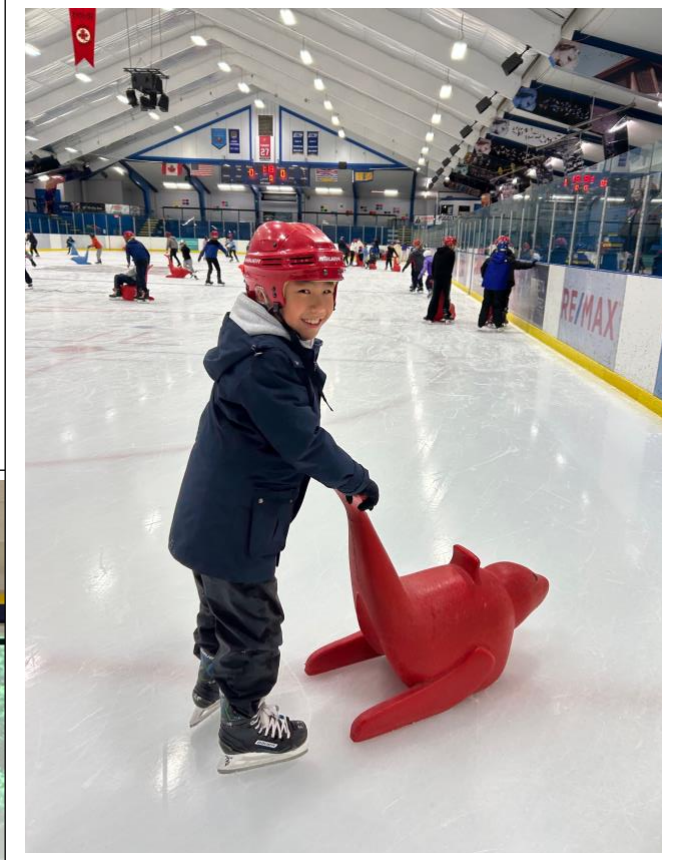
Stay connected on social media with the McKinney PAC to receive updates and reminders on upcoming PAC events, initiatives, and community resources.

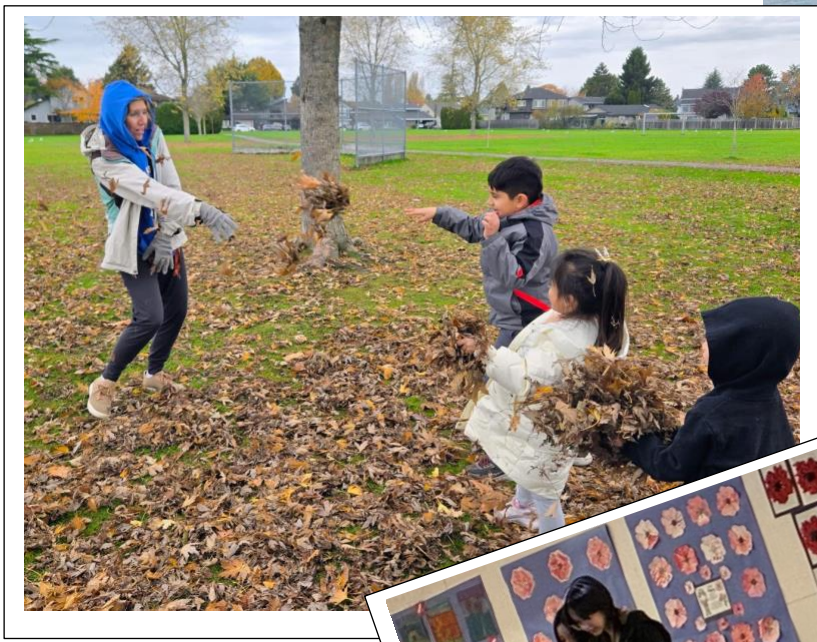
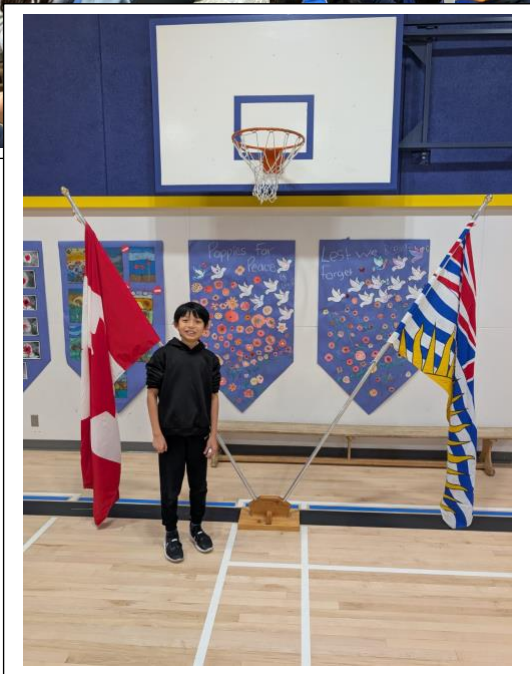
Instagram: [@mckinneyelementarypac](https://www.instagram.com/mckinneyelementarypac)

Facebook: [James McKinney Elementary School PAC](https://www.facebook.com/JamesMcKinneyElementarySchoolPAC)



PHOTOS OF THE WEEK







Parent Education Session:

District Program Options

Late French Immersion

The Richmond School District provides the Late French Immersion program beginning at Grade 6 at James Whiteside and John Diefenbaker Elementary schools. We invite families of current Grade 5 students to join us for a program information virtual meeting.

This information session will include the following topics:

- Program Overview
- Student Experiences
- Registration Process
- Frequently Asked Questions



Virtual on Microsoft Teams

Meeting ID: 229 724 015 019 1

Passcode: iH7eH3pd



Wednesday, December 3, 2025



6:00pm



Hosts: Brett Cameron, Kristine Canas,
Linda Chau, Regina Vosahlo

**Microsoft
Teams Link**



10 TIPS TO KEEP YOUR KIDS SAFE ONLINE



Not everyone is who they say they are.

Remind your child that online, anyone they don't know in real life, is still a stranger, even if they have been talking to them for a while.



Don't overshare.

Talk to your child about what personal information should never be shared on apps and in chats, including their full name, age, city, school and photos.



There are no free gifts.

Let your child know that if someone offers free in-game currency, money, or virtual gift cards, it's a BIG RED FLAG and could be a tactic to gain trust or manipulate them.



Don't switch platforms.

Explain to your child that switching from a game to a social media app is a common tactic used by exploiters to get closer to a child and avoid detection.



NEVER meet in real life.

Tell your child they should never meet an online friend in person without your knowledge and consent—and only if a trusted adult is present.



Show curiosity!

Just like you ask your child what they did in school, ask them about what they like to do online, which games they play, and who they are connecting with.



Set clear boundaries and monitor.

Know which apps your child uses, enable safety features, and talk about online rules. For kids under ten, we recommend that an adult monitor all online activities.



Be a safe person.

Many kids don't ask for help because they're afraid they'll get in trouble or have their screen privileges taken away. Let them know they can come to you—no matter what—without fear of punishment or losing screen time. Your support matters most.



Create a safety plan.

With your child, work out what they should do if someone makes them feel uncomfortable or unsafe online: block, report, and tell a trusted adult.



Check in regularly.

If your child is engaging in risky online behavior, talk to them about why it's unsafe and work together to find a safer way forward.



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online Safety Plan

Who are my **safe** and **trusted** adults?

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

When do I know I need to **ask for help**?

How can I ensure that I'm being **safe online**?

What are the **warning signs** that someone might not be a safe person?

Where can I go if I **need help**?

www _____

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