



McCloskey Elementary School

MCCLOSKEY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

Issue 5



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Dates to Remember

	
Monday, January 7	Schools re-open
Mondays, January 7, 14, 21 & 28	Yo Bro/Yo Girl in Gym after school
Thursday, January 10	PAC meeting 7pm
Wednesday, January 16	Grade 6/7 Ski day
Thursday, January 17	Hot Lunch day
Tuesday, January 22	Popcorn day
Thursday, January 24	Gr. 7 Parent Night at North Delta Secondary (in the theatre) at 7pm
Friday, January 25	Professional Dev. Day (no classes)
	
Mondays, February 4, 11 & 25	Yo Bro/Yo Girl in Gym after school
Tuesday, February 5	Lunar New Year begins
	Ready, Set, Learn event for pre-schoolers at Devon Gardens Elem
Wednesday, February 6	Grade 6/7 Ski day
Tuesday, February 12	Kindergarten registration for Sept. 2019 begins (9-12)
Friday, February 15	Professional Dev. Day (no classes)
Monday, February 18	Family Day (schools closed)
Wednesday, February 20	Grade 6/7 Ski day
Thursday, February 21	Hot Lunch day Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) mtg. @ 3:15 in the Library
Wednesday, February 27	Grade 6/7 Ski day
	PINK Shirt (Anti-bullying) day

2019

Dear McCloskey Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your on-going support. On behalf of the Staff, I would like to wish all of you a very Happy New Year! We look forward to a positive new year of learning and working together!

Mrs. Nelmes

Reminders for Parents:

- Please make every effort to get your child to school on time. We have had an increasing number of students arriving late. This means they are missing important learning time and checking on lates creates added time to our attendance process for the classroom teacher and office staff.
- Parents who drop off lunches or other items, please bring them inside to the table nearest the front door. Students should not be running out to your car to collect their items. Remember not to park your vehicle in front of the school. Stop in the round-a-bout if it is a quick drop off. Otherwise, please park on the street and walk in.
- Many of our younger students have managed to get extra wet or muddy during outside play. If possible, please send your child with a change of clothes and dry shoes to keep at school. This will prevent you from getting a call mid-day to bring dry clothing!



Ready, Set, Learn!

Ready, Set, Learn - February 5th

This is a free event for any children turning 3, 4, or 5 in 2019.

All attending children will receive a free book and package of materials. Children attend with parents or caregivers. We are

combining with other Elementary schools to offer this event. Come to the Devon Gardens Elementary gym at 9:30am. Their address is: 8884 Russel Drive, Delta. Enjoy a concert with Will Stroet (a children's entertainer) and some station activities! The session will be finished at 11:00am.



Kindergarten Registration for McCloskey begins February 12th (9-12:00 in the Library)

A child may be registered to attend Kindergarten in September 2019 if they were born in 2014.

At the time of registration, the following original documents must be provided:

1. Proof of birth date for the student (birth certificate or passport).
2. Proof of citizenship for both the parent and the student (Canadian birth certificate, citizenship card, passport, landed immigrant document, permanent resident card).
3. Card Card, medical and emergency contact information.
4. Proof of Address showing address (property taxes- current receipt, purchase or rental agreement or rental receipt).

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

We are grateful to the work our PAC Executive members have been doing to support the school. Fundraising in December brought in just under \$1000 which goes toward various school fieldtrips and events. Thanks to our parents for participating in these fundraisers. Watch for more to come.

PAC is much more than just fundraising!

All parents/guardians of students at our school are members of the PAC. That includes YOU! The meetings are open to everyone. Meetings take place monthly either after school (3:15pm) or in the evening (7:00pm). **The next meeting is February 21st at 3:15 in the school Library.** So, find a friend and come learn more about what is going on at the school and take the opportunity to ask questions and provide input into school-based decisions. Either Mrs. Bryan (our VP) or Mrs. Nelmes (our Principal) attend these meetings along with a teacher rep.

Our PAC Executive are keen to meet you and hear your ideas. We have a number of Exec. Members who will be moving on and are not able to continue as their children are going to high school next year. We need new Executive members (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) to fill their spots. Training is available. These volunteer positions are vital to having an active PAC. Without this, our PAC will be suspended including our funds (\$15,000 plus). Please consider getting involved!



Basketball Season is starting soon!

We have teacher coaches for grade 6 and 7 Basketball teams. If your child is interested in joining, they should listen closely to the announcements and talk to their classroom teacher. Practices will begin soon!

McCloskey Website and blog

Parent newsletters will be posted on the McCloskey's Web Page (<http://mc.deltasd.bc.ca>).



Yours truly,

Mrs. B. Nelmes
Principal

Mrs. B. Bryan
Vice Principal



MISSION STATEMENT

*At McCloskey we are dedicated to providing
a positive, safe, and caring learning environment
which encourages high standards, mutual respect, and personal responsibility.
With school, home and community working together we encourage all students
TO ACHIEVE THEIR PERSONAL BEST
in acquiring the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to become productive citizens.*

Do you have any Feedback/Questions/ Concerns? You can call us at the school or email us... bnelmes@deltasd.bc.ca
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