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June 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we begin this month, we are beginning an end to a special yet once again a different 2020-21 school year. It had its challenges, but we all adapted and learned to watch assemblies and presentations on Zoom, eat in our classrooms, enter and exit the school from our outside classroom door, wash wash and wash our hands, sanitize at every opportunity and still continue to have fun. Our students need to be congratulated on making the best of this year. We did it! Thank you to the staff and the parents for all they have done to make this such a successful year at McBride Annex. The resiliency of the students, staff and parents is a testament to our strong community we share. Have a wonderful June and enjoy the sunshine!

Andrea Greenhalgh Vice-Principal

STAFF CHANGES FOR 2021-2022

At this time of year, we need to say farewell to some very important staff. Ms. Ongley, who has been on maternity leave this year, has given up her position at McBride Annex to stay at home and be a mom to her two wonderful children. We all thank her for her dedication, care, and compassion as one of our Kindergarten teachers for the past eight years! Ms. Tamara Fernandes has been covering Ms. Ongley's maternity leave this year and we will surely miss her dedication, love, and fun filled kindergarten classroom. Ms. Jennifer Lum taught our division three class of grades 2/3's this year while Ms. Kayra is on maternity leave. Ms. Lum has brought a plethora of technology knowledge to her class. Ms. Carolyn Morgan-Chan has been in our kindergarten room as an SSA. We were so fortunate to have such a dedicated and resourceful addition to our school! Ms. **Prab Mushiana** covered Ms. Locket's leave this year as our SSA. She worked in all of our classrooms this year and every class was fortunate enough to have Prab's help and kindness throughout the year. We wish you could all stay but know that you will all be excellent additions to the school that is fortunate enough to have you join them!

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN 2021/2022

We welcomed and met most of our kindergarten families this week. The teachers and some staff helped hand out the Welcome to Kindergarten bags and each family was given a McBride Annex t-shirt from our PAC, who were also in attendance. We wish we could have had you enjoying time together in our gymnasium but thank you to our new families for your flexibility during this time. We thank our current Kindergarten students for providing a video called, "The Most Important Thing About McBride Annex is..." We heard from a few of the new students this was the best and most watched portion of the virtual presentation sent out last week.

USBORNE BOOK SALE

On Tuesday, June 8th and Wednesday, June 9th we will have an outdoor Book Fair with Usborne Books. All the children will preview the books Tuesday morning and may bring home a, "Wish List". Parents are encouraged to shop before, during or after school. All Covid-19 protocols will be in place, so please do not crowd the tables / displays. All proceeds will go to our library book fund.

PHOTO DAY

As a reminder tomorrow morning, Thursday June 3rd, is our individual photo day. All students are required to have a mask tomorrow as requested by the photography company. Please send your child with a mask on Thursday so that they may line up with their classmates.

LIBRARY BOOKS

All library books are due on Tuesday, June 8th. At this time, we will also collect all red library book-bags as well. Your child will receive the book-bag again next year. Please have all books returned on Tuesday or an overdue / payment notice will be sent. Thank you. You can log-in to your child's account to see what books they currently have signed out by following this link:

https://library.vsb.bc.ca/common/servlet/presentloginform.do?fromLoginLink=true

You can also access it through following from www.library.vsb.bc.ca

Your child's login is the same as they would use for Teams (their student number plus the password given)

SUMMER READING CLUB

The Vancouver Public Library is hosting their Summer Reading Club again this year. All registration is being done on-line and the website listed: https://bcsrc.ca/ The theme this year is, "Crack the Code"

GRADE 3 LEAVING ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday, June 29th our grade 3 students will have a special assembly to honor their time at McBride Annex. As we can't have any parents inside our building, we will be recording the assembly and sending the video link to the families through the Division 3 and 4 Teams site later in the day. The PAC will be providing lunch for the students on this day as a special treat.

DAILY HEALTH ASSESSMENT/MASK WEARING

Thank you to all parents who continue to be diligent at completing the daily health assessment for your chid(ren). We thank you for keeping your children home when they have any symptoms that are found on the Provincial health assessment form. We encourage all students to be masked while inside their classroom. Please adhere to all protocols with regards to gatherings etc. when on school grounds before and after school.

HOT WEATHER

Our hot weather has arrived and looks like it will stay for the foreseeable future. Please have sunscreen on your child in the mornings and you may want to send them to school with extra. All students require a water bottle for during the school day. We cannot always provide an alternative to students. We do have some shade on our school grounds but having a hat for recess and lunch is also a very good idea.

ELEVATE ULTIMATE

Thank you to the PAC for providing us with a day of learning about ultimate frisbee. Each class received two sessions with the instructors and had a great day! Thank you again to the PAC for providing us with this opportunity.



CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS AND CUPBOARDS!

The PAC is collecting your used goods to make some money for our school! Reminder to drop off bags / boxes of clothing or household items at the back door of our gym on June 11th or 14th from 8:45-9:15 am. Please remember to not park in our staff parking lot as it will get congested with so many drop-offs happening. Thank you for your support!

Hot lunch is Back!

Bittersweet Foods is providing us with hot lunch on Monday / Wednesday / Friday of each week in June. Please watch for PAC emails for ordering. https://munchalunch.com/schools/mcbrideannex/

Mon May 31: Sliders and Alfredo Wed Jun 2: Meatballs and Quesadillas Fri Jun 4: Pizza Pretzels and Teriyaki Mon Jun 7: Breakfast and Butter Chicken

Wed Jun 9: Penne and Chicken Strips
Fri June 11: Pretzel Hot Dog and Grilled Cheese

Mon Jun 14: Potato Jackets and Teriyaki
Wed Jun 16: Meatballs and Quesadillas
Fri Jun 18: Breakfast and Pizza Pretzels
Mon Jun 21: Alfredo and Butter Chicken
Wed Jun 23: Mac + Cheese and Chicken Strips
Fri Jun 25: Pretzel Hot Dog and Sliders

FACEBOOK GROUP

Did you know we have a **McBride Annex Families** Facebook group? It's a way for us to connect, especially during these times of social distancing. We would love for you to join!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/446294379694073

OLIVER'S LABELS

Oliver's Labels are dishwasher safe, microwave and freezer safe, laundry safe and weatherproof. They have products for kids, for adults and they even have wall art! 20% of your purchase will support the McBride Annex PAC.

Click on www.oliverslabels.com/McBrideAnnex and have fun shopping!

PAC QUESTIONS

Any questions regarding PAC events please email the PAC at $\underline{\mathsf{mcbrideannexpac@gmail.com}}$.



June 3rd (am) - Individual Photo Day June 8th and 9th - Usborne Book Sale

June 11th and 14th - PAC clothing drop off – back of school gym – please do not drive your car into the staff parking lot

June 21st - "kids in charge day" - our final theme day of the year

June 29th - Grade 3 Assembly and lunch

June 29th - Last day of attendance for the 2020-21 school year



Above: Div. 4 science



Above & Below: Rainbow Day





Above: Div. 1 working with their box project



Above: Div. 1 Social Studies on community

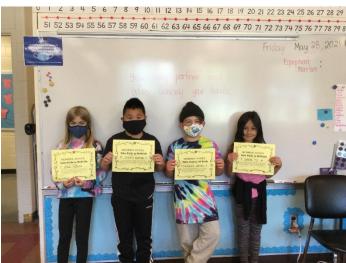


Div. 2 Reading

Monthly Recognition Certificates











Ice Pack from the office



Div. 2 Mother's Day project