



# McBride Annex Elementary

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## May 2021 Newsletter

*Dear Parents and Guardians,*  
*For many May has seemingly crept upon us at an alarmingly quick pace. Our students have been enjoying more outdoor learning opportunities with the lovely weather we have been having. We have seen a lot of soccer, basketball, ball games, imaginative play, and a busy "salon" during recess and lunch hours. I would like to thank Mr. McNicholl for his time at McBride Annex, and welcome Mr. Hooper who will be with us on Thursday and Fridays for the coming weeks. We are in the process of welcoming our incoming Kindergarten students at the end of the month and it seems just like last week that we welcomed our current kindergarten students to McBride Annex.*

Andrea Greenhalgh  
Vice-Principal

### VSBC SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School Registration begins online on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8:00am for our Summer School Programs. This year summer school is only open to current VSB students. The school sites hosting summer school for elementary students (currently in grade 1-12) are Tecumseh, Nootka, Trafalgar and Van Horne Elementary schools. Here is the link for further information: [Program Information](#) or [https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student\\_Learning/Summer\\_Sessions/Pages/Program-Information.aspx](https://www.vsb.bc.ca/Student_Learning/Summer_Sessions/Pages/Program-Information.aspx)

### Welcome to Kindergarten 2021/2022

The teachers are preparing a virtual event to welcome our newest students to our school. A link will be sent home in late May. The newest students will also be invited to come to the undercover area on May 31<sup>st</sup> to pick up their Welcome to Kindergarten bag and a small gift from our PAC. During this pick-up morning various staff members will be outside to meet our new families.

### THANK YOU TO PAC

During April, our students all were fortunate to attend both a virtual puppet and animal show. Thank you to our PAC for providing this opportunity for our students. They enjoyed making their own puppets and learning about the animals that were shown.

On Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup> the PAC will be bringing Saleema Noon to virtually speak to our students about Sexual Health (see email sent from the school on Tuesday, April

20<sup>th</sup>). There is a parent presentation prior to the student's presentations. All presentations will be via Zoom.

### KENSINGTON COVID-19 HOT SPOT VACCINE AVAILABILITY

As you are all aware of by now our school and your neighbourhood is in the middle of a provincial "hot spot" for Covid-19. If you have not done so already, and are 40 years +, you may register for your vaccine by following this link: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/neighbourhood#register>

### SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS

Our school spirit days are continuing through out May and June. Please mark your calendars for "Rainbow Day" on May 12<sup>th</sup> and "Kids in Charge Day" on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to our grade 3s for helping "create" our theme days.

### PHOTO DAY

Due to the current restrictions in place, we were unable to have our normally scheduled photo day during the fall. We now have a date booked for individual photos only. Lifetouch will be here on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> during the morning for our student photos. All students will be required to wear a mask as they line up waiting their turn for their photo. We will send a reminder closer to the time to ensure all student's come to school wearing a mask that day.

### DAILY HEALTH ASSESSMENT/MASK WEARING

Thank you to all parents who continue to be diligent at completing the daily health assessment for your child(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. With the Kensington neighborhood being a provincial hot spot currently we feel this is a prudent measure to take.

### LOST AND FOUND

Our lost and found box is put outside, in the undercover area, every Friday before and after school. We are collecting more and more items so encourage you to have a look at our treasures. We have had each student look at a table within the school this week as well. Hopefully, some treasures have made it home.

## PAC MEETING

The next PAC meeting will be Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 pm. A Zoom link will be sent out from the McBride Annex PAC Gmail account closer to the date.

## 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](http://www.oliverslabels.com/McBrideAnnex) and have fun shopping!

## PAC QUESTIONS

Any questions regarding PAC events please email the PAC at [mcbrideannexpac@gmail.com](mailto:mcbrideannexpac@gmail.com).

## DATES TO REMEMBER

May 12<sup>th</sup> – “Rainbow Day”

May 18<sup>th</sup> - PAC meeting

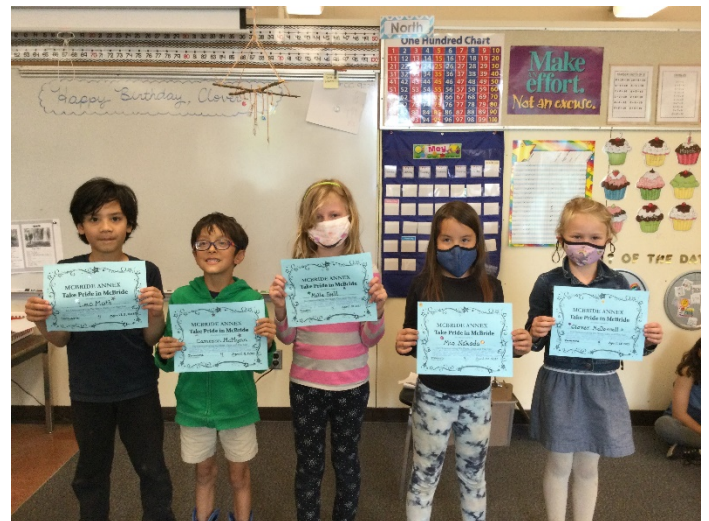
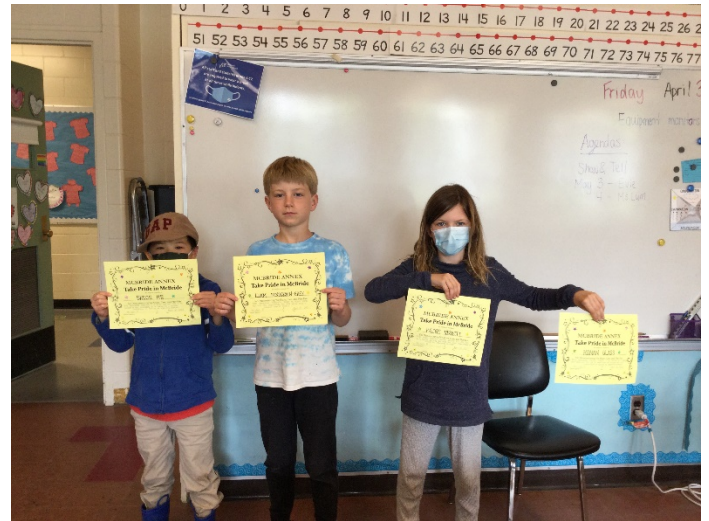
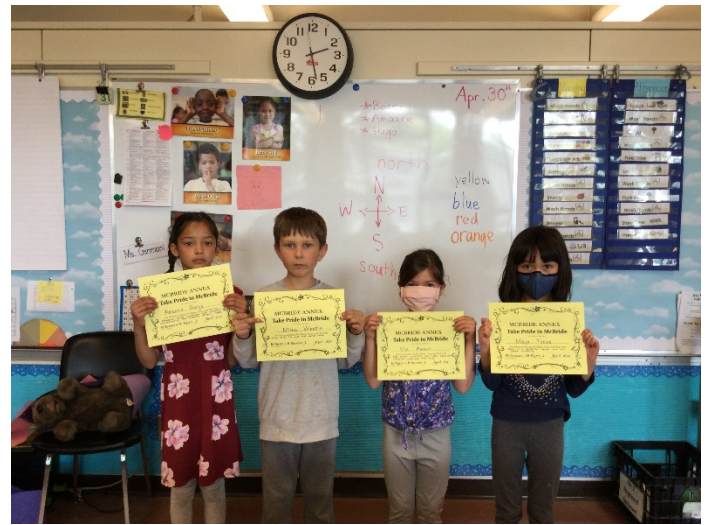
May 21<sup>st</sup> – Saleema Noon presentations on Sexual Health K-3

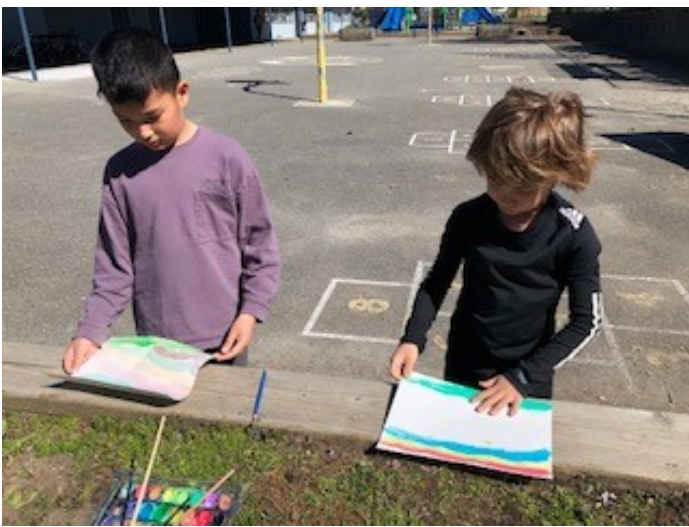
May 24<sup>th</sup> - Victoria Day – School closed Monday

May 31<sup>st</sup> - Welcome to Kindergarten bag pick up

June 3<sup>rd</sup> (am) - Individual Photo Day

Monthly recognition certificates





Above & Below : Painting backgrounds for cherry blossom trees



Above & Below: Recess Play



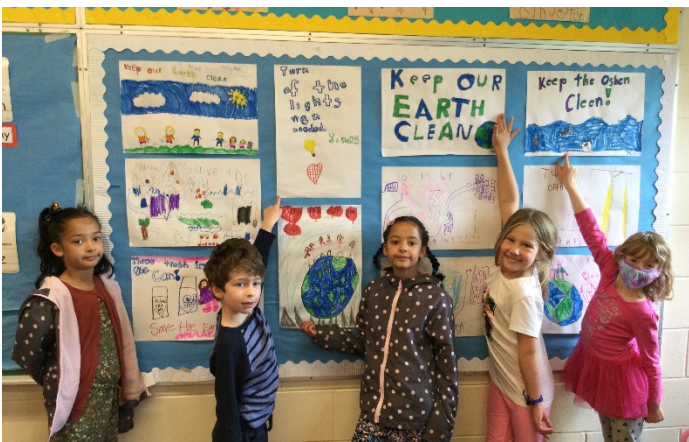
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Below: Div. 1 Weaving Project

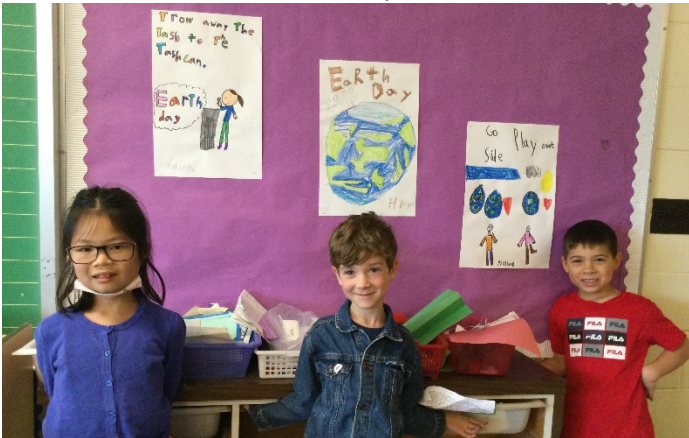




Above & Below: Div. 4 Outdoor learning



Above & Below: Div. 2 Earth Day artwork



Below: Div. 3 Water pollution experiment



Above & Below: Paper puppets



Below: Grade 2 math

