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Weekly Communication from MG School and PAC to Parents, Students, and Staff

Important Upcoming Dates

Monday, September 29

- > Orange Shirt Day Assembly
- Jr Soccer Team at Shaughnessy

Tuesday, September 30

> Day for Truth and Reconciliation—No School

Wednesday, October 1

Sr Soccer Team at Shaughnessy



Volleyball Team Sign Up for Grades 5,6,7 Students

If your child is in Grade

5, 6, or 7 and they are interested in playing volleyball this season with Maple Grove, they must attend the 'Volleyball Interest Meeting' in order to sign up on Thursday, October 2. They will hear information about the

season and receive a permission form.

Parent volunteers! If you are parent and can contribute your time/energy to coaching a volleyball team, please reach out to ewinston@vsb.bc.ca.

School Forms— Reminder



Schools have moved to a digital format of our annual student forms package.

Students and parents can log in using the student(s) PEN number and date of birth with MyForms (https://myforms.vsb.bc.ca/)

Please complete the following forms online:

- CASL Consent Form (for parents and guardians)
- External Media Consent
- G4-12 Student AUP
- K-3 Student AUP
- VSB Media Consent
- Neighbourhood Class Walk Consent
- Grade 7 Yearbook Consent
- Whole School Yearbook Consent

After School
Programs at
Maple Grove—
New Classes!
Chess and
Mandarin

We're excited to offer a variety of after school programs designed to enrich your child's learning experience and provide opportunities for fun, creativity, and growth beyond the classroom. These programs are open to all students, and we encourage families to explore the options available.

Please see the next five pages for full details on each program

Mondays:

Chess

Tuesdays:

 Wize Computer Coding and Robotics programs

Thursdays:

- Young Rembrandt Art
- Mandarin Classes

Fridays:

- Soccer
- Choir

Fantastic PAC Welcome Back to School Carnival

Thank you to all the students, staff, and families who attended our super fun PAC Welcome Back to School Carnival. It was heartwarming to see our school community come together to celebrate, reconnect, and kick off the new school year with such spirit. Here's to many more moments like this!

We're so grateful to our incredible parent volunteers whose time, energy, and enthusiasm helped make our Welcome Back to School event such a joyful success! Your support brought the day to life and created a space filled with laughter, fun, and connection.

Chair: Meltem

Set-Up and Clean Up: Jack, Momoko,

Jenna , Aslı

Gym Team (bouncy Castle and Games): Aituar, Devorah, Sophia, Ola, Parisa, Vivian, Javen, Lucy,

Adalene, Lisa

Face Paint: June, Anna, Lily, Layan

(Magee student)

Balloon Table: Yumi, Ran

Photographer: Aslı

MG Student Helpers: Isaac, Nancy, Ryder, Hugo, Isabelle, Jelena, Richard, Phelicia,

Violet, and Lucia

PAC Blog— Reminder

New to our school community? Stay informed and involved by subscribing to the PAC Blog. See link to get updates on news, events, and ways to

participate—it's quick and easy!

Link:

themaplegrovepac.wordpress.com

MG Parents WhatsApp Community Group—Reminder

Please join the 2024-2025
Maple Grove PAC
WhatsApp Community to
stay connected to
information about your
child's classroom activities, social
events, and share information with

other parents.

https://chat.whatsapp.com/ DxCfozZRAs4HIdOWvy8hkY? mode=ac t

Voluntary Student Accident Insurance Plans

- Reminder

Ahead of the upcoming school year, we would like to share that the VSB is once again offering parents the ability to purchase voluntary student accident insurance plans if they choose. These plans offer coverage for students and their families against accidental injury, unexpected medical expenses and critical illness. The two companies offering this coverage are Insuremykids and Industrial Alliance (The Family Accident Reimbursement Plan). These plans are ideal for supplementing costs not covered by provincial health insurance or existing employer extended health and dental plans.

Families can find more information and register online to purchase and participate in any of these insurance plans by using the URL provided here:

https://insuremykids.com/ schoolresources/

https://www.solutionsinsurance.com

There is no administration required on the part of the school. If any of your families have questions about either one of these programs, they can contact the company through the contact information on their website.

PAC Welcome Back to School Carnival



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After School Program—Monday

Maple Grove Chess Club

Chess Institute of Canada

Bringing Chess to Life™

At CIC Extracurricular Clubs Your child will receive

- Chess Education, to expand knowledge
- Play Time, to feel the joy of chess
- Life Skills Education, to strengthen confidence, cooperation, resilience, decision making, problem solving, participation, critical thinking, empathy, communication, self-regulation, pattern recognition, initiative, creativity, negotiation, respect...

Your Weekly Chess Club

Price: 25\$ per class *

1 Time: 3:10-4:10 PM

1 Start: Monday, Oct 6

Location: tbd

chessinstitute.ca

To Register

Follow this link:

Chessinstitute.ca/ extracurricular Scan this code to our website.



Chess Institute of Canada is a registered charity whose mission is to teach life skills through chess.

^{*} subsidies available (contact admin@chessinstitute.ca)

After School Program—Thursday



Mandarin Classes for Beginners

CS Learning and Iris Loves Kids Mandarin Tutoring are excited to offer beginner Mandarin classes for Maple Grove Elementary students in Grade 2 to Grade 7. Ms. Iris Lee will teach pinyin, simplified/traditional Chinese with a focus on individual learning. Students will learn in a fun, engaging, and welcoming environment after school.

10 Classes - Thursdays 3:10PM - 4:30PM

Oct 2nd - Dec 11th, 2025* \$600 taxes and materials included MG teachers will drop off the students to the class location. Parents/Guardians are responsible for pick-up at 4:30 PM.

*No class on Oct 23rd

To Register:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/ e/1FAIpQLSchJMC4v5-WiQ6yURTQPzAs8FaR7DBcyq1EUyfMOtuOjQVxg/viewform



Please contact scallyandyc@gmail.com or 778-388-5978 if you have any questions. We are an independent afterschool program and is not affiliated to MG and VSB.

After School Program—Friday



VEMS Choral Program Maple Grove Elementary Fall 2025



Junior Choir: Grades 1 to 3

10 rehearsals and a concert (\$143)

Senior Choir: Grades 4 to 7

10 rehearsals and a concert (\$156)

Registration: https://vems.ca/signup.html



Your Conductor

Anna Shylova has been working with children singing and performing for over 20 years. Her favourite thing to do with her young choirs perform at concerts.

"Music listening, performance, and composition engage nearly every area of the brain ... and involve nearly every neural subsystem." – Daniel J. Levitin, *This is your Brain on Music*.

Presented by ...

The Vancouver Extracurricular Music Society

- · VEMS is a BC nonprofit society dedicated to bringing more music to more children.
- Financial assistance is available; please apply when registering
- VEMS is registered with the CRA and issues tax receipts. www.vems.ca/donate/
- · 20 children need to be enrolled for the choir to run.
- Questions? Email president@vems.ca











2025-2026 School Calendar

Maple Grove **Elementary**

Office: 604-713-5356

Absences: 604-713-5159 (Code 48) Please state reason for absence

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No School for Students

PD

Professional Day - Staff Only

(2:00) 2:00 p.m. Dismissal - P/T Conference

September

Tue, 2 - First Day of School

Fri, 19 - Professional Day (No School)

Tue, 30- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day (No School)

October

Mon, 13 - Thanksgiving Day (No School)

Tue, 21 - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)

Thu, 23 - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)

Fri, 24 - Professional Day (No School)

November

Tue, 11 - Remembrance Day (No School)

Fri, 21 - Professional Day (No School)

December

Wed, 17 - Written Update Goes Home

Mon, Dec 22 to Fri, Jan, 2 - Winter

Vacation (No School)

January

Mon, 5 - Back to School

Mon, 19 - Professional Day (No School)

February

Fri, 13 - Professional Day (No School)

Mon, 16 - Family Day (No School)

March

Wed, 11 - Written Update Goes Home

Mon, 16 to Fri, 27 - Spring Break (No

School)

Mon, 30 - Back to School

April

Fri, 3 - Good Friday (No School)

Mon, 6 - Easter Monday (No School)

Mon, 20 - Professional Day (No School)

Tue, 21 - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)

Thu, 23 - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)

May

Mon, 18 - Victoria Day (No School)

Wed, 24 - Summary of Learning Goes Home

Thu, 25 - Last Day for Students

Fri, 26 - Administrative Day (No School)

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