



Important Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, September 30

- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation—School Closed

Friday, October 2

- PAC Meeting @ 9:00 am
- PAC Welcome Back Party @

Monday, October 5

- Book Fair Begins
- Jr Soccer Team Game at Shaughnessy School



Maple Grove Parent Advisory Committee (PAC): Friday, October 2—Reminder

The Maple Grove PAC (Parent Advisory Committee) is made up of dedicated parents who support our children and community in countless ways. In addition, they organize our the school lunches for which will beginning in a few weeks.

Come join us on **Friday, October 2** at 9:05am for parent coffee in library and then at 9:15 am for a PAC meeting. We will talk about how parental contribution of time and financial support can help your children.

PAC Welcome Back Party—Reminder

Save the Date: PAC will be having a Welcome Back Party after school on Friday, October 2.

There will be food trucks, music from DJ, and other festivities.

See Community News part of this newsletter for poster.



After School Programs at MG

We are excited to partner with Maven TechLab to offer a variety of after-school programs this fall! Programs will run from the week of **October 12 through December 7**, providing students with engaging

opportunities to explore robotics, 3D design and printing, art, and chess.

Please see After School Program section of this newsletter for more information.

Book Fair: October 5-8



Support the Maple Grove Book Fair. From **Monday, October 5 to Thursday, October 8**, our library will be open for students to purchase

books and accessories during their class library times.

All profits go to support the library.

K-7 Cross Country Team—Reminder



The Maple Grove K-7 Cross Country Running Team will begin practices on Wednesday September 23 at lunch recess! Practices will be on Mondays and Wednesdays at lunch recess at the Magee field until October 19th.

Pick up a permission form from the MG Athletics bulletin board next to the main office and bring it completed to the first practice.

The Mini Meets will be Tuesday

October 6th and Thursday October 15th both from 3:30-4:30pm at Quilchena Park ([4590 Magnolia St Vancouver](#)). Look for the Maple Grove flag to meet before the race.

The VSB City-Wide Mega Meet will be held on Tuesday October 20th at 1pm at Trout Lake Park. *Athletes must compete in one mini-meet in order to qualify to compete at the Mega Meet. Please direct questions 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

Maple Grove Direct Donation Campaign—Reminder

Each year, the Maple Grove Parent Advisory Council (PAC) requests financial support from families to fund programs and resources that enhance the curriculum and provide a stimulating learning environment for all students. With ongoing budget limitations in public education, your contributions are vital to improving the student experiences at our school.

Donating is quick and easy as it can all be done via [SchoolCashOnline](#) and tax receipts are issued immediately. Detailed instructions can be found [here](#).

1. Go to schoolcashonline: <https://vsb.schoolcashonline.com/>
1. Click "Make a Donation"
2. **Select Maple Grove PAC**
3. Indicate your child(ren)'s division number in the notes section. Budget, [please see here](#).

MG Parents WhatsApp Community Group—Reminder



Please join the 2026-2027 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/DxCfozZRAs4HldOWvy8hkY>

Maple Grove Welcome Back Event: Friday, October 2



After School Programs at MG

MONDAY: Chess Lab – Strategy, Logic & Math (Grades 2–4)

A dynamic mind-lab where classic chess fundamentals meet strategic math board games! Students will explore strategic planning, spatial reasoning, and mathematical logic through a rich variety of gameplay. By engaging with both chess and tactical board games, children develop problem-solving resilience, critical thinking, and flexible cognitive skills in a fun, supportive environment.

Schedule: Starts October 26 (7 sessions)

Registration Link: https://www.maventechlab.com/service-page/26-27-fall-term-chesslab-strategy-logic-math-g2-4?referral=service_list_widget

TUESDAY: Intro to 3D Design and Printing

Students step into the exciting world of digital fabrication, turning creative concepts into physical reality. Through hands-on 3D modeling tools, students learn spatial geometry, design thinking, and engineering principles as they watch their original creations print layer by layer.

Schedule: Starts October 13 (9 sessions)

Registration Link: https://www.maventechlab.com/service-page/26-27-fall-term-intro-to-3d-design-and-printing?referral=service_list_widget

WEDNESDAY: Art Explorers (Grades 1–3)

A playful and imagination-filled artistic journey! Young creators will explore vibrant mediums and hands-on projects that help develop essential fine motor skills, focus, and visual aesthetics. Designed to foster self-expression and creative confidence, this program provides a supportive environment for children to turn their ideas into proud masterpieces.

Schedule: Starts October 14 (7 sessions)

Registration Link: https://www.maventechlab.com/service-page/26-27-fall-term-art-explorers-g1-g3?referral=service_list_widget

THURSDAY: VEX IQ Robotics (Grades 3–6)

An interactive STEM program where aspiring engineers design, build, and program VEX IQ robots. Students build essential skills in mechanical logic, computational thinking, and collaborative problem-solving through exciting, hands-on robotics challenges.

Schedule: Starts October 15 (9 sessions)

Registration Link: https://www.maventechlab.com/service-page/26-27-fall-term-vex-iq-robotics-grade-3-6?referral=service_list_widget

Friday: Choir

Students interested in taking choir lessons Friday after school.

Registration Link: <https://www.onlinebookingsystem.com/choralregistration/>

Magee Band for Grade 6 and 7 Students



Magee
Music
Department

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Come Join the Maple Grove & McKechnie Concert Band September – March 2026/2027

Dear Grade 6, and 7 students and parents at Maple Grove and McKechnie elementary. My name is Mr. Keith Ollerenshaw and I am excited to present you a wonderful new opportunity to learn how to play a band instrument at Magee Secondary. Our goal is to create a large ensemble of many unique instruments. You will have a choice of the following instruments. Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, bass, or percussion. Next year there will be two ensembles. One for students with no experience, and another for students with experience. Both bands will meet from 3:15 – 4:00 and our experienced players will continue from 4:00-4:45 on Wednesday afternoons. Start date TBA.

No experience is necessary, and if you don't already have an instrument, we can either help you rent an instrument from a music store (Tapestry Music has the best deal), or if you can't afford it, we can find a way for you to get something to play!

For people who don't know yet what they want to play, we will have you try different instruments. We will teach you how to read music, how to hold and play your instrument, and introduce you the wonderful world of wind playing.

And the best part of it, this program is absolutely free! (There will be a \$50 materials fee)

Sincerely,

Keith Ollerenshaw
Artistic Director of Bands
Magee Secondary School
kollerenshaw@vsb.bc.ca

To Pre-register your child please:

1. Send an email to Ms. Yeung kyeung@vsb.bc.ca (at Maple Grove) or Mrs. Chang at tchang@vsb.bc.ca (at McKechnie) and include the following information:
 - a. Your child's full name
 - b. Your child's grade next year
 - c. Will your child be joining beginner band (no experience) or intermediate band (has experience)
 - d. What instrument would your child like to play (beginner band can be unknown) or What instrument does your child play (intermediate band)
 - e. Parent name(s) and email address(es) for email list

Terry Fox Run







2026-2027 School Calendar

Maple Grove
Elementary

Office: 604-713-5356

Absences: 604-713-5159 (Code 48)

Please state reason for absence

NS	No School for Students
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PD	Professional Day - Staff Only
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2:00	2:00 p.m. Dismissal - P/T Conference
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September**Tue, 8** - First Day of School**Mon, 21** - Professional Day (No School)**Wed, 30** - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day (No School)**October****Mon, 12** - Thanksgiving Day (No School)**Mon, 19** - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)**Wed, 21** - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)**Fri, 23** - Professional Day (No School)**November****Wed, 11** - Remembrance Day (No School)**Fri, 20** - Professional Day (No School)**December****Tue, 15** - Written Update Goes Home**Mon, Dec 21 to Fri, Jan, 1** - Winter Vacation (No School)**January****Mon, 4** - Back to School**February****Fri, 12** - Professional Day (No School)**Mon, 15** - Family Day (No School)**March****Tue, 9** - Written Update Goes Home**Mon, 15 to Thu, 25** - Spring Break (No School)**Fri, 26** - Good Friday (No School)**Mon, 29** - Easter Monday (No School)**Tue, 30** - Back to School**April****Mon, 19** - Professional Day (No School)**Tue, 20** - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)**Thu, 22** - Parent-Teacher Conference (2:00 pm dismissal)**May****Fri, 21** - Professional Day (No School)**Mon, 24** - Victoria Day (No School)**June****Thu, 24** - Written Update Goes Home**Tue, 29** - Last Day for Students**Wed, 30** - Administrative Day (No School)

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