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## Newsletter #3 November 2, 2020

This monthly newsletter is a supplement to the weekly Friday Blasts that are posted on the Parent Portal. Both the Friday Blasts and the Newsletters can be found on the MRE Website at: <https://elementary.sd42.ca/mapleridge/>. We also have a school-based Facebook page called Maple Ridge Elementary SD 42. Individual teachers use a variety of methods for their class level communications.

How lucky we are to have these beautiful, crisp fall days!

November is a time for appreciating and remembering those who make our peaceful lives possible. Our Remembrance Day assemblies will be held November 10<sup>th</sup>, on Zoom at 9:00 a.m. for primary students and 11:00 a.m. for intermediate students. Every student will get a poppy (stickers for younger students) and donations to the Royal Canadian Legion will be accepted.

Later this month, it's time for Term One Reporting. Students showcase their learning and work together with you and their teacher to set learning goals for the next term. Because of COVID, Student Inclusive Conferences will take place on Zoom. Teachers will contact you to set up details. Please see the reporting letter of Oct. 30, 2020 on the Parent Portal for more information.

Thank you for all your ongoing support during this busy first term. Wishing you a peaceful November.

Barb MacKinnon  
Principal

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Vice Principal

### Friday Spirit Days

Each Friday, beginning November 6<sup>th</sup>, students can collect points for their House Teams by wearing their house colours. Sometimes, there will be extra challenges, e.g., November 20<sup>th</sup> is Moustache Day.

Hawks – Red  
Falcons – Green  
Eagles – Yellow  
Ospreys – Blue



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## School Supplies

If you haven't submitted fees for student supplies and planners yet, we appreciate you attending to this as soon as possible. Fees can be paid on the portal. Please contact the office at 604-467-5551 if you have any questions.



## Early Dismissal and No School

**Wednesday, Nov. 11:** Remembrance Day - School closed

**Thursday, Nov. 12:** Non-Instructional Day – No students in attendance

**Thursday, Nov. 26:** School ends at 11:30 a.m.  
Early dismissal for Student Inclusive Conferencing

**Friday, Nov. 27:** Classes not in session - Student Inclusive Conferencing



## Westcoast Recess and Lunch – Dress for The Weather

A reminder to parents and guardians that MRE students play outside even when it is cold, rainy or even snowy. Only on rare occasions will we keep students inside. We would ask that you send your child/ren to school dressed for the weather (boots, coats, mitts, umbrella ...). If your child has a tendency to get wet playing on the slides or in the field, **please send an extra set of clothing.**



## Lost and Found

Please consider labeling items with your child's name. Lost and found items are hanging on a rack in the school foyer. Encourage your child to have a look if you are missing something. You can contact the school if you'd like to come in to check for yourself. Unclaimed items will be donated to local charities before the winter break. Thank you for your assistance.

## Aboriginal Ancestry

Aboriginal Ancestry is determined on a voluntary basis through self-identification. This includes First Nations (status or non-status), Métis or Inuit Ancestry. No documentation is required, and the ancestry can go back several generations. Ministry of Education funding is provided to support the success of all Aboriginal students through culturally appropriate educational programs and services. We encourage all students of First Nations, Metis, or Inuit Ancestry to complete a self-identification form as this allows you to access various supports and programs during the school year if you wish. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact

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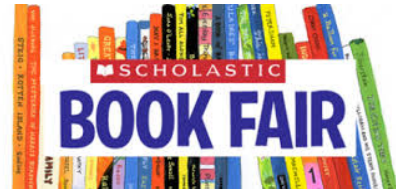


## MRE PAC News

Check out the Maple Ridge Elementary PAC Facebook page – MRE Parents Association  
The next meeting is at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

PAC would like to extend a warm thank you to the teachers who organized bringing the pumpkin patch this year to MRE.

The Book Fair will be online this year from November 23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. This includes French and English books. More details about how to order will follow.



Art cards should be either at home by now or going home in the next week, these will be ordered online and to be delivered by Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>.

## District News

**Have you thought about a career with our school district?**

To see the opportunities that are available, visit us at <http://www.sd42.ca/careers/>



## Maple Ridge Elementary November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> House Team Spirit Day! Wear your team colour	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Remembrance Day Assemblies on Zoom 9:00 Primary 11:00 Intermediate	<b>11</b> Remembrance Day (No School)	<b>12</b> Pro D Day No classes for students	<b>13</b> Pajama Day	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  Moustache Day	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Online Book Fair Begins (more info soon!)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Early Dismissal @ 11:30 (Student Inclusive Conferences)	<b>27</b> Student Inclusive Conferences All Day (Classes not in session)	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Online Book Fair ends					

