

Friday Blast

Maple Ridge Elementary

Friday, September 10, 2021

THANK YOU!

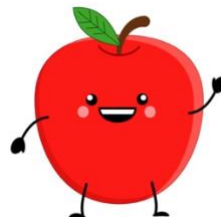
Thank you to everyone for a terrific first week back to school. It was fun to see many familiar faces, and to welcome the thirty three new members of our school community as well. We look forward to a safe school year filled with learning, friendship and kindness!

CLASS PLACEMENTS

We appreciate your patience as we finalized class placements throughout the week. Just yesterday, we learned that MRE will have an additional grade 3/4 class. We will be hiring a new teacher and setting up a new classroom. Today, students were able to go into their new classrooms and briefly meet their teachers. They will be in these new classes from Monday on and should line up in their new spots when the bell rings in the morning. Intermediate students should bring their school supplies on Monday.

MOVING TO NEW CLASSES

A new school year can instill both excitement and anxiety. Talking to your children about their feelings helps them to understand that these emotions are common. Reassuring your child and staying calm helps with a smooth transition to a new class. Remember, your own perspective can also inform how your child will view school. Give your child time to settle into the new classroom, make new friends, and adjust to a new teacher. Asking them to share the positive parts of their day can help them to feel content about going to school.



INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PHOTOS

Mark your calendars! Our student photo day is fast approaching on September 22nd. Photographers will be following strict Covid-19 Guidelines. More detailed information will be coming to you soon, so please continue to check your child's planner, the Friday Blast, and the MRE Facebook group for updates.

DAILY HEALTH CHECK

To ensure a safe and healthy environment in our school we are continuing to ask everyone to complete a daily health check before entering our building. The K-12 daily health check can be reached by the accessing the following link: <https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?execution=e1s1> . It can also be downloaded as an app.

ATTENDANCE

If you know that your child is going to be late or absent from school, please let us know through either the parent portal, by calling us at 604-467-5551 or by emailing mre_reception@sd42.ca. If you know your child will be absent multiple days in a row you can enter them all at once so that you do not need to update the absence each day.



TERRY FOX RUN

Terry Fox said, "Anything is possible if you try." Inspired by his amazing example, MRE will be proudly taking part in this year's Terry Fox run on Friday, September 24. Please consider supporting this great cause and help us raise much-needed funds for cancer research. Our school has set a goal of raising \$500. You can donate through this link: <http://www.terryfox.ca/MapleRidgeElementary>

BACK TO SCHOOL BOOK LIST

Looking for some back to school read alouds for you and your child? Check out this great list: <https://www.weareteachers.com/14-perfect-picture-books-for-the-first-weeks-of-school/>

Happy Reading!

PAC Updates

Our MRE PAC Meetings will continue to be held virtually this year! The first PAC meeting date will be Monday, September 20th at 7:00 pm. Please

use: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81723678481?pwd=SS9rK0dFYVJrUm1SZ3pRSFNFWXQ2dz09>

Meeting ID: 817 2367 8481

Passcode: 499270

to access the meeting.

If you would like to learn more about the PAC, please visit their Facebook page by searching: MRE Parents Association

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, September 13

Students begin in their new classes
7 pm PAC meeting – Zoom

Tuesday, September 14

Wednesday, September 15

Virtual assembly

Thursday, September 16

Friday, September 17

