

# Friday Blast

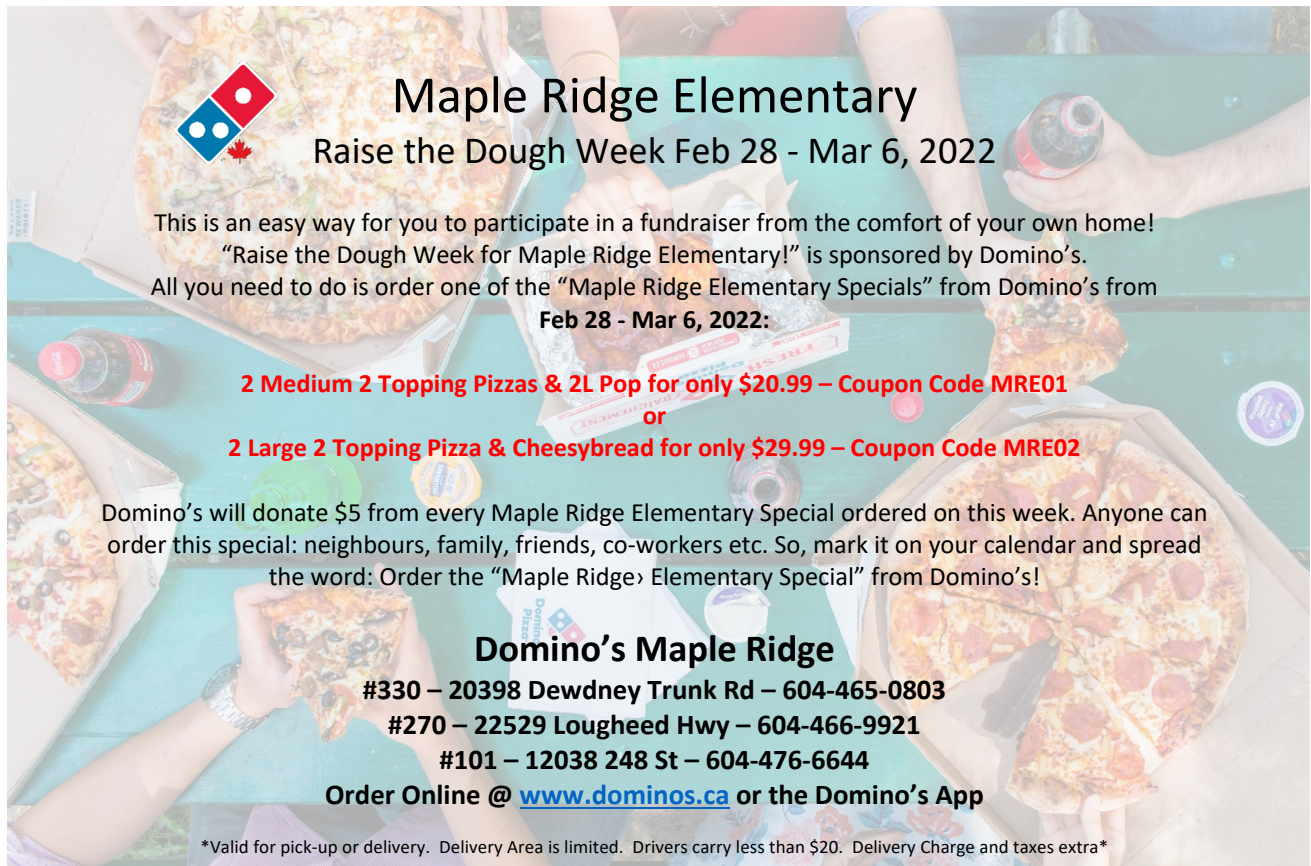
## Maple Ridge Elementary

Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### DOMINOS PIZZA FUNDRAISER

Do you like pizza? Do you like supporting our school? Here's a special deal for you!

Our fundraiser with Domino's pizza will run from **February 28<sup>th</sup> to March 6<sup>th</sup>**. It is open to anyone so feel free to spread the word to friends and family or to share on your social media. Not only is this a deliciously good deal, but \$5 from every "specials" ordered will be donated to our school.



**Maple Ridge Elementary**  
Raise the Dough Week Feb 28 - Mar 6, 2022

This is an easy way for you to participate in a fundraiser from the comfort of your own home!  
"Raise the Dough Week for Maple Ridge Elementary!" is sponsored by Domino's.  
All you need to do is order one of the "Maple Ridge Elementary Specials" from Domino's from  
**Feb 28 - Mar 6, 2022:**

**2 Medium 2 Topping Pizzas & 2L Pop for only \$20.99 – Coupon Code MRE01**  
or  
**2 Large 2 Topping Pizza & Cheesybread for only \$29.99 – Coupon Code MRE02**

Domino's will donate \$5 from every Maple Ridge Elementary Special ordered on this week. Anyone can order this special: neighbours, family, friends, co-workers etc. So, mark it on your calendar and spread the word: Order the "Maple Ridge Elementary Special" from Domino's!

**Domino's Maple Ridge**  
#330 – 20398 Dewdney Trunk Rd – 604-465-0803  
#270 – 22529 Lougheed Hwy – 604-466-9921  
#101 – 12038 248 St – 604-476-6644  
Order Online @ [www.dominos.ca](http://www.dominos.ca) or the Domino's App

\*Valid for pick-up or delivery. Delivery Area is limited. Drivers carry less than \$20. Delivery Charge and taxes extra\*

### IS YOUR CHILD FEELING UNWELL?

The BC Centre for Disease Control has updated its guidance on when to get a Covid-19 test, and when to self-isolate. **Please see flowchart attached to this blast for more information.** You can also consider printing a copy of this chart and keeping it in a visible place in your home, such as on your refrigerator or near your front door.

## STAYING HOME?

If you know that your child will be absent for one or more days, please contact the school. There are several options for letting us know:

- Email [mre\\_reception@sd42.ca](mailto:mre_reception@sd42.ca)
- Log into the portal and mark your child's absence(s)
- Call reception at 604-467-5551 (voicemail is available after hours)

This information helps us immensely as we must call every unexcused absence each day. If you are emailing your child's teacher directly, please also copy [mre\\_reception@sd42.ca](mailto:mre_reception@sd42.ca) to the email as teachers may not communicate to the office before we begin our morning phone calls.

## STAFF PARKING LOT

We know that mornings are a busy time and finding parking at the school can be challenging. We ask that you **do not pull into the staff parking lots for drop-off or pick-up**. You may have noticed this week that the chain in the West side parking lot has been up. When cars pull in and out of the staff lot, it creates an unsafe situation for students and their families who are walking nearby. Recently, there have been several reports of near misses and we take this very seriously.

We recommend arriving at school early to find street parking, or parking on a nearby side street and walking together. You can use the drive-thru lane for a quick drop off if needed, but drivers must remain in their vehicles.



## MASKS

Masks provide protection to the people wearing them and to those around them. They work best when everyone who can wear a mask is wearing one. Thank you for encouraging your child to wear a mask at school as much as possible.

Reusable cloth masks need to be washed regularly. Most masks can be handwashed or thrown into your washing machine with regular household laundry. Wearing a clean mask is so much more refreshing!

## FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

You can follow our school on Facebook by searching for: **Maple Ridge Elementary SD42**

Our Facebook group is a great place to get up to date information and alerts when the Friday Blast is posted. Check us out!

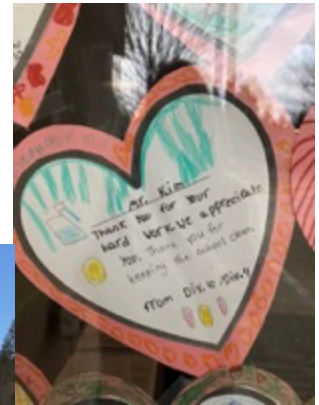
## POETRY CONTEST

Is your child a poet? Check out the "Democracy and Me" Poetry Contest flyer attached below. This contest is co-sponsored by the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia and is open to K-12 students. Contest closes February 28<sup>th</sup>.



## KINDNESS COUNTS DAY

Kindness is a value that we believe in at Maple Ridge Elementary every day. On this day classes participated in a variety of activities to spread the message of kindness. Students from Mme Abby and Mme Alliette's classes created posters for the fence with various items available such as artwork and friendship bracelets so that people walking by could "take what they needed". Students from Mrs. Ritchie's and Mrs. Tsia's classes wrote staff letters of appreciation and hosted a school-wide outdoors dance party during recess. We are fortunate to live, learn and grow in a school community that values kindness and respect everyday.



## SPRING CAMP

Registration is open for the "I AM AWESOME" Spring Break camp. Please see the Family Education Center's flyer below for more information.

## HOMESTAY INFORMATION

Are you interested in welcoming an international student into your home? If so, you may want to attend the information session being offered online March 1<sup>st</sup>

**SD42 HOMESTAY INFORMATION NIGHT**

Are you interested in welcoming an international student into your home?

Join us for an online information session on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 (7 p.m.)

Call 604.466.6555 Ext. 3 or email [intstd42.ca](mailto:intstd42.ca) to register.

[intstd42.ca](http://intstd42.ca)

22225 Brown Avenue, Maple Ridge, BC V2X 8W6 Tel: 604.463.4200

## UPCOMING DATES

**Monday, February 28** ~ Domino's "MRE Special" week begins

**Thursday, March 3** ~ Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m. – Student Led Conferences

**Friday, March 4** ~ Classes Not In Session – Student Led Conferences

**Monday, March 7** ~ 7 p.m. – regular PAC meeting

**Wednesday, March 9** ~ 7 p.m. – PAC Constitution and Bylaw meeting

**Kindness is spreading  
sunshine into people's lives  
regardless of the weather.**

### LOST AND FOUND

Our lost and found is slowly filling back up! Please be sure to write your child's name inside their valuable belongings such as jackets, boots, or shoes. This helps us return items we find. See below for pictures of some items currently missing their owner. All leftover items will be donated to charity on the last day before the Spring Break (March 11).





## **MESSAGES FROM OUR PAC**

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Did you know we have a PAC section on our School Website? For information about the PAC, access to PAC meeting minutes and much more, please check our Maple Ridge School District Website by visiting: <https://elementary.sd42.ca/mapleridge/>

Our PAC also has a Facebook group which you can follow. Search for: **Maple Ridge Elementary PAC** on Facebook

Our Next PAC Meeting is Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.

**All parents and guardians are welcome.** We look forward to seeing you there!

Use the following Zoom Link: Meeting ID: 817 2367 8481

Passcode: 499270

The MRE PAC **Constitution and Bylaw** meeting is Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.

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

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### **Current Fundraisers**

Fundraisers are a great way to support our school.

We have several ongoing fundraisers taking place at Maple Ridge Elementary.

See the list below:

#### **Save On Foods Receipts**

We are once again collecting Save-On-Foods receipts. Students can use the drop-off box near the office. After we have collected a certain number of receipts Save On Foods provides our school with gift cards.

#### **Purdy's Chocolates**

Please email [mcmasterleanne@gmail.com](mailto:mcmasterleanne@gmail.com) for any questions. The deadline to place an order is

March 16<sup>th</sup>. Use the MRE Purdy's link to view all the yummy springtime and Easter chocolates available: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1498765-93044>



#### **Maple Ridge Liquor Store**

Did you know that when you make a purchase at the Maple Ridge Liquor Store and mention MRE when you are checking out, they will make a 5% donation to our school?