

Pitt Meadows Elementary Pitt Meadows Elementary **Ecole Elementaire Pitt Meadows**

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Newsletter # 8

Thursday, December 21st, 2017

Dear PME Families.

We have had a very busy, productive few months, and we are now all ready for a well deserved break. Thank you to everyone who was able to come out for our Christmas Concerts yesterday and today. The joy of seeing and hearing the children perform is always heart-warming and we hope it allowed you to feel some of the holiday spirit as we look forward to the next two weeks at home with family and friends.

Just a reminder for those of you who will be registering your child for Kindergarten for September during Sibling Phase, that registration begins at noon on January 4th, before we come back to school.

From all of us, to all of you, we wish you a very restful and joyful holiday season. We will see everyone again on Monday, January 8, 2018.

Stephanie Dand Principal

Kindergarten Registration

Parents will see the information below when they click on Kindergarten Registration – SIBLING PHASE under Announcements and Events. Only parents who currently have a sibling attending the desired first choice school (currently in Gr K-6) and linked to their account are eligible to register during this phase.

Sibling Registration

Registration for this phase begins at noon on January 4, 2018 and closes at 11:59 pm on January 10, 2018. All students registering for kindergarten must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2018. (Born in 2013) During winter break, computers and/or assistance will be available at the District Education Office, 22225 Brown Avenue, Maple Ridge.

Once the timer at the bottom of this page counts down to zero, a button will appear to begin sibling kindergarten registration. (You may have to refresh

Kindergarten registration in the Sibling Phase is open for all students across School District 42 that already have a sibling attending the desired first choice school (currently in Gr K-6). The child already attending school must be linked to your account in order to register during this phase. The child you are registering for kindergarten will not be linked to your account until s/he has been placed at a school and supporting documentation has been provided to the school. Kindergarten students will automatically be linked to your account once documentation has been processed.

PLEASE NOTE: All registrations are date and time-stamped once you start the kindergarten registration form. There is no need to rush through the registration process. Please ensure all sections are completed fully and accurately.

Once you submit your registration form, you will receive a confirmation email that your application has been received. If you do not receive this email within 24 hours, please contact the IT Services Help Desk at 604.466.6248. For general kindergarten inquiries, contact Lynne Lloyd at 604.466.6218.

Shortly after the registration period closes, you will receive another email advising where your child has been tentatively placed. You will then be required to take supporting documentation to that school office. The deadline to bring supporting documents to the school for the Sibling Phase is noon January 17, 2018. If supporting documentation is not provided by this deadline, your child's school assignment will be cancelled and you will have to

*If you are registering twins, please make a note of this in the comments section on the registration form. A registration form for each child must be completed.













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SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



Kindergarten Registration

SIBLING

January 4-10, 2018 (Documentation to school by January 17) (Although schools are closed for the first 2 days of this registration period, support will be available at the DEO. Schools will be open for registration 3 days the following week.)

CHOICE

January 18-22, 2018 (Documentation to school by January 31)

GENERAL

February 1-8, 2018 (Documentation to school by February 28)

LATE

March 28-June 7, 2018 (Documentation to school 5 business days after confirmation of placement)

- All phases open at 12:00 noon and close at 11:59 pm.
- The SD42 website has been updated with these dates.
- Registration starts during Winter Break to allow adequate time for Grade 8 registration before Spring Break.
- Kindergarten pamphlets and posters will be distributed to schools within the next week or so.

Information on Grade 8 registration will be sent out shortly, but registration will start around mid-February. Parents will be advised of grade 8 placement after Spring Break.

Ministry of Education

Sign your children up today for a \$1,200 B.C. Training and Education Savings Grant

British Columbians are encouraged to sign up for a \$1,200 grant for their children's post-secondary education and training.

To be eligible, the child applying must have been born in 2006 or later and must be at least six years of age when they apply. The child parents/guardians must both be residents of British Columbia.

Signing up for the grant is as easy as stopping in at your local financial institution and following these simple steps:

- 1. Bring social insurance number (SIN) cards for both the child and the parent/guardian.
- 2. Sign the child up as the beneficiary of a Registered Education Savings Plan.
- 3. Complete the application at your financial institution.
- No additional contributions are required.
 Learn more at the Ministry of Education website: https://goo.gl/ep8bgJ



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Scholastic Book Fair will be in the library until after recess on Friday December 22nd. There will be French and English books for sale for all levels of readers. You may also do some shopping before and after the school Christmas Concert. There will be some great stocking stuffers available!



Library News All library books were due back by Friday, December 15th. Invoices were issued for lost and damaged books this week. Parents are asked to settle their kid's accounts so students can start fresh in January.

Tissue Donation Draw

Thank you to everyone who donated a box of tissues to the school. The lucky winner of a book from our Book Fair was Davyn B. Congratulations Davyn!

Student Leadership News:

COLD WEATHER CLOTHING COLLECTION FOR THOSE IN NEED

Thank you to all who donated. We will be delivering our donations to the local Salvation Army on 222nd and Lougheed highway. All donations will go directly to those in need.



CHRISTMAS HAMPER SOCIETY BAKE SALE

Thank you to all who baked and assisted in our Christmas Hamper Society Bake Sale. We raised \$305.00

We were able to collect \$623 for the Christmas hamper with our cookie sale and collection at the concert. **A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL!**



Food containers and gym strip

Friendly reminder to please take home any food containers and clothes during the holidays. Let's start the New Year fresh and clean! Thank you for your assistance.





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After-School Programs

SCHOOLS OUT GR. K-7

This after-school program is sponsored by United Way and developed by The Family Education & Support Centre. It is designed for students from kindergarten to Grade 7 within the Pitt Meadows community to develop a greater knowledge of different cultures through crafts, activities and food. The Family Education & Support Centre is excited to explore other multifaceted cultures in our world and looks forward to sharing the experience with you.

Wednesdays 2:30 - 4 pm Jan. 10 - Feb. 28, 2018 Pitt Meadows Elementary Registration Fee: \$25

To Register: Call Karen Hughes, 604.467.6055 (ext 101), email reg@familyed.bc.ca, or visit www.familyed.bc.ca.

Theatrix - Lunchbox Theatre

When: January 16 – February 22 Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12:00 – 12:45 in the gym

Fee per student: \$79.00

Family/School performance: February 22 at 11 am See attached information sheet for more details.



Lunch Day: Wednesday, January 17th, 2018

Orders must be submitted by:Friday, January 12th, 2018

Sorry, no late orders accepted after January 12th.

Order form attached.

Cash only please!

PALS – Parents As Literary Supporters is a free literacy program for parents/caregivers and their kindergartners or children ages 3 and 4. Child receive a FREE BOOK with each session. Please call the office to register at (604) 465-5828.

DATES: January 22, 2018

April 23, 2018

TIME: 2:45 – 3:45 PM

CPF NEWS - Canadian Parents for French Ridge Meadows

Contact Us

For more information visit our Chapter website https://cpfridgemeadows.wordpress.com/ or email us at cpf.ridgemeadows@gmail.com.

PAC NEWS

The Pitt Meadows Elementary PAC now has it's own website!

Visit http://pittmeadowselementarypac.weebly.com/ for the latest information about the PAC including budget spending, upcoming events and fundraisers, meetings and how you can get involved.

Next PAC Meeting

Tuesday, **January 16th**, **2018 at 6:30 – 8pm** at Pitt Meadows Elementary in the library Everyone welcome!



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PME READING PROGRAM

Every month we congratulate students who have completed their home reading for the month. The students get to see Mme Dand for a special treat and we showcase them in our newsletter.

Primary 30 Days

Ariya A.

Jayden A.

Matteo C.

Mattias B.

Matthew C.

Max C.

Scarlett C.

Ben D.

Isabelle F.

Tia G.

Aden Mac.

Gracie Mac.

Kayah M.

Landon R.

Arianna S.

Jake T.

Primary 60 Days

Ainsley B.

Monica C.

Thea E.

Carson G.

Makenna G.

Nalia G.

lliya K.

Hannah L.

Lukas H.

Kalia M.

Katherine M.

Mia M.

Lexi P.

Paetyn R.

Aria S.

Elizabeth T.

Nico U.

Declan W.

Lochlan W.

Intermediate 30 Days

Alexis D.



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COMMUNITY NEWS:



Canadian Red Cross Croix-Rouge canadienne

Ridge Meadows College & First Aid Hero: Riverside Centre RED CROSS BABYSITTING - WINTER 2018 FOR 11 YEARS OLD PLUS

COURSE DATES AND TIMES:

Wednesday, January 3, 2018 8:30 am - 3:30 pm \$63.00/1 session LOCATION: Riverside Centre, 20575 Thorne Avenue, Maple Ridge

M - Th 8:00 am - 8:00 pm F 8:00 am - 3:30 pmPhone: 604-466-6555 (Ext 203) Email: rmc@sd42.ca

To register, please contact Ridge Meadows College 604-466-6555 (Extension 203) or rmc@sd42.ca

Family Literacy Day, Saturday, January 27, 11 am - 2 pm

The best family party in Maple Ridge! Celebrate Family Literacy Day at Maple Ridge Public Library. Check out the community resource fair for lots of fun activities, performances by Showstoppers Academy or join in the Family Dance Party. Enjoy free popcorn and the chance to win prizes while taking in the sights, sounds and awesome activities!

For more information about Family Literacy Day, contact Maple Ridge Public Library at 604-467-7417 or check out our event information online at www.fvrl.ca.

Liza Morris, Librarian

Fraser Valley Regional Library – Maple Ridge Public Library [p] 604.467.7417, ext 5532 [f] 604.467-7404 Read. Learn. Play. | www.fvrl.ca

Enclosures:

After-School Programs Conflict Resolution Workshop Kindergarten Registration Pamphlet Anger Monster Where Do They Hide? Subway Order Form



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SCHOOL CLOSURE / EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS...

Winter Break

Monday, December 25, to Friday, January 5, 2018 Friday, January 26, 2018

Non-Instructional day

December 2017 - Pitt Meadows Elementary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 "K" Vision & Hearing	2
3	4 Kernels Popcorn	5 Pointsetta Pick Up	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Pizza Day	14	15	16
17	Scholastic Book Fair All week	19	20 Christmas Concert 1 PM	21 Christmas Concert 9 AM	22 Last Day of School before Winter Break	23
24	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30
31						

Schools reopen after Winter Break on Monday, January 8th

January 2018 - Pitt Meadows Elementary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 "K Sibling Registration Starts	5	6
7	8 Welcome Back!	9	10 "K" Sibling Registration Closes	11	Last Day to order Subway	13
14	15	PAC Meeting	"K"Sibling Documents Due 17 Subway Day	18 "K" Choice Registration Starts	19	20
21	PALS "K" Choice Registration Closes	23	24	25	Non- Instructional Day No Classes	27
28	29	30	31			



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2017 – 2018 PME SCHOOL CALENDAR

Schools close for Winter Break Winter Break

Schools reopen after Winter Break
Non-Instructional day
Schools not in session

Family Day

Non- Instructional day (Curriculum Implementation Day)
Student Inclusive Interviews (early dismissal 11:30 am)
Student Inclusive Interviews (classes not in session – all day)
Schools close for Spring Break
Spring Break

Schools reopen after Spring Break

Good Friday
Easter Monday
Non- Instructional day
Victoria Day
Non- Instructional day
Last day for students
Year-end Administrative Day
Schools close for Summer Vacation

As at: November 9, 2017

Friday, December 22, 2017
Monday, December 25, to
Friday, January 5, 2018
Monday, January 8, 2018
Friday, January 26, 2018
Friday, February 9, 2018
Monday, February 12, 2018
Tuesday, February 13, 2018
Wednesday, February 28, 2018
Thursday, March 1, 2018
Friday, March 9, 2018
Monday, March 12, to Friday, March

23, 2018

Monday, March 26, 2018

Friday, March 30, 2018

Monday, April 2, 2018

Monday, April 30, 2018

Monday, May 21, 2018

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Thursday, June 28, 2018

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