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Newsletter # 11

Thursday, February 15th, 2018

Dear PME Families,

We hope you enjoyed the recent long weekend with your friends and family. We are now only a month until Spring Break, and this is a great time to focus on solid teaching and learning. Reading at home on a regular basis is a vital part of the learning process. Even 15 or 20 minutes a night can make a significant difference. I have attached some information about the value of reading at home and I encourage you to take a moment to read it.

Conferences will be held February 28th and March 1st, so please look for information from your child's teacher about setting up a conference time. It is very important that you and your child attend the conference together, as the child, the parent and the teacher are all integral to the learning process. It is also a great opportunity for your child to celebrate and share his or her accomplishments.

Please feel free, as always, to contact me with any questions or concerns.

All the best,

Stephanie Dand

PAC NEWS

The parents advisory council (PAC) would like your input on how we should spend our fundraising money to enhance safety and learning. We are extremely interested in your feedback about what PAC can do to help our school and the children and staff within. Please take a few minutes to fill out the 8 question survey. All of us on the PAC team thank you in advance for taking time out of your busy schedule to fill in the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JMKLKWJ>

We have changed our email address for PAC.

The new email address is: Pittmeadowselementarypac@gmail.com

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.



PME Quebec Trip part deux is fundraising with Purdys Chocolatier, just in time for Easter!

If you'd like to support us through purchasing some very sweet Easter gifts for friends, family and yourself, please click the link below:

<https://www.purdysgpp.com/646929>

After you've signed in you can buy our amazing chocolates or invite others to join and support our Fundraising Campaign.

Thank you so much!

Next PAC Meeting:

Tuesday, February 20th at 6:30 – 8pm at Pitt Meadows Elementary in the library. Everyone welcome!



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Reminder:

Please take a moment to view our lost and found items on the table in the lobby. All items will be bagged and donated on Friday, February 16th. Thank you

CPF NEWS - Canadian Parents for French Ridge Meadows

Contact Us

For more information visit our Chapter website <https://cpfridgemeanows.wordpress.com/> or email us at cpf.ridgemeanows@gmail.com

School District News

Kindergarten Registration

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.

Grade 8 registration

For parents of Grade 7 students

Overview

To provide an optimal learning environment for all students, the Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows School District No. 42 (SD42) must manage enrolment across all schools, ensuring that enrolment numbers match building capacity.

“Where space and facility is determined to be available,” the school district has an open boundary policy that allows flexibility in choice regarding which secondary school students may attend (School Act section 74.1 Section 6). Due to increasing enrolment in recent years, however, the majority of students are assigned to their catchment school. All our high schools meet the needs of all learners

Online Registration

Registration opens at 12 pm (noon) on Thursday, February 15, 2018. All Grade 8 registrations are done through the Parent Portal at <https://parents.sd42.ca>. Each registration is time-stamped at the moment the registration form is opened to begin the online registration process.

Online Registration Deadline

Deadline for Grade 8 online registration is 12 pm (noon) on March 2, 2018. If you do not register your child by the online registration deadline, you will need to complete a paper registration form at your child's catchment high school.

Placement Notification

Parents will be notified by email after Spring Break about their child's assigned school.

Proposed Calendar 2018 – 2019

WHAT DO YOU THINK? GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK

At its January 24, 2018 regular public meeting, the Board of Education received the **2018/19** and **2019/20 Proposed District School Calendars** for information and passed a motion requesting district staff to begin the consultation process.

To review the proposed calendars and provide your feedback, please go to:

<http://www.sd42.ca/proposed-district-calendars/>

The consultation period on the proposed calendars runs from **Thursday, January 25, 2018 to Friday, February 23, 2018**. All feedback will be reviewed by senior team and the calendars will be adjusted if required before being submitted to the Board of Education for approval at the **March 7, 2018** regular public meeting.



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Once they are approved, the calendars will be posted on the district website and submitted to the Ministry of Education by **March 31, 2018**.

A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGE 3 OR 4

READY, SET, LEARN (RSL) is a FREE early learning program that welcomes children ages 3 and 4 to the Maple Ridge - Pitt Meadows School District and helps them get ready for success in school. The program offers special activities, story-time and crafts. Families also receive a package that includes a children's book and a parent kit with tips for supporting a child's learning and development.

ALBION 604.463.4848: Mar 29, May 10 (3:00 - 4:00 pm) ALOUETTE 604.463.8730: Nov 15, Feb 21, Apr 18 (3:00 - 4:00 pm)
DAVIE JONES 604.465.9908: Nov 23, Jan 18, Feb 15 (3:00- 4:00 pm)
ERIC LANGTON 604.463.3810: Nov 15, Feb 21, Apr 18 (4:00 - 5:30 pm)
GLENWOOD 604.463.6512: Nov 21, Feb 6, Apr 24 (3:00 - 4:00 pm)
HARRY HOOGE 604.463.0866: Oct 23, Feb 19, Apr 16 (3:00 - 4:00 pm)
KANAKA CREEK 604.467.9050: Feb 23, May 25 (3:15 - 4:15 pm) LAITY VIEW 604.463.7108: Mar 28, Apr 25, May 30 (3:00 - 4:00 pm)
PITT MEADOWS ELEMENTARY 604.465.5828: Nov 20, Jan 22, Apr 23 (2:45 - 3:45 pm)

Registration is required for all RSL Events and occurs on a first-come, first-served basis.
Register at: <http://www.sd42.ca/rsl-registration>

NEIGHBOURHOOD EVENTS 2018

PITT MEADOWS

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM FEB 6, 2018 HIGHLAND PARK ELEMENTARY
READY SET LEARN PARTNERSHIP EVENT 5:00 PM -6:30 PM MAR 7, 2018 THE ACT THEATRE

MAPLE RIDGE CENTRAL

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM FEB 21, 2018 HARRY HOOGE ELEMENTARY

MAPLE RIDGE WEST

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM APR 4, 2018 HAMMOND ELEMENTARY

MAPLE RIDGE EAST

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM MAY 1, 2018 BLUE MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY
DAVIE JONES EDITH MCDERMOTT HIGHLAND PARK
FAIRVIEW HAMMOND LAITY VIEW MAPLE RIDGE ELEM.
ALBION ALOUETTE ERIC LANGTON GLENWOOD GOLDEN EARS HARRY HOOGE KANAKA CREEK
ALEXANDER ROBINSON BLUE MOUNTAIN WEBSTER'S CORNERS WHONNOCK YENNADON
OPEN TO CHILDREN AGE 3 AND 4 IN ALL MAPLE RIDGE AND PITT MEADOWS NEIGHBOURHOODS

See attachment for details.

Wheelhouse

The Wheelhouse is a program in which students in grades 6 and 7 are both challenged and supported in becoming life-long learners and responsible citizens. Program highlights include:

- Weekly field study days where students learn outside the regular class setting;
- A classroom of care and discovery that is well supported by staff, parents, and community mentors;
- Leadership activities that improve confidence, citizenship, and social responsibility;
- Wheelhouse students are also part of the school district 1-to-1 program, in which each student is assigned an iPad for the school year.

For more information, including a more in-depth look at the program, dates and times for student interviews, and details on how to become a *Wheelhouse* student, please visit *The Wheelhouse* online at <http://schools.sd42.ca/wheelhouse>.

Registration for The Wheelhouse begins at 7:30 am on Thursday, February 15 at Alouette Elementary.



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Career Opportunities:

Have you thought about a career with our school district?

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



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

Zoe T.

Primary 60 Days

Alex B.

Chance B.

Jiay G.

Valerie G.

Michael H.

Isabella P.

Landon R.

Senna S.

Jake T.

Jessa U.

Primary 90 Days

Lukas H.

Helen L.

Preston O.

Natanael R.

Elizabeth T.

Oliver W.

Primary 120 Days

Katherine M.



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COMMUNITY NEWS:

LGBTQ2S

Meeting: on Monday, February 26th, 2018
Time: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
Location: The Family Education and Support Centre
Cost: \$45.00

Daddy & Me

Who: Dads or Guardians & their children (newborn to 5 years)
Dates: Wednesdays: January 10 to April 11, 2018
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Location: Family Place 22359 119th Avenue, Maple Ridge
Cost: Free (a light dinner will be served weekly)
Registration will be held during the first session
Contact: Darren at 604-467-6911 ext. 1155 for more information

Kindergarten Immunization Booster Fair

Who: Children Ages 4 – 6
Who need their booster vaccination

When: Please call 604-476-7087 to book your appointment for
Wednesday, June 6, 2018
Thursday, June 7, 2018

Where: Maple Ridge Health Unit
Fourth Floor
#400
22470 Dewdney Trunk Road

Enclosures:

Why Your Child Can't Skip Their 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight
Ready, Set, Learn Information Sheet
Kindergarten Immunization Booster Fair
DRAFT 2018-2019 District Calendar



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2017 – 2018 PME SCHOOL CALENDAR

SCHOOL CLOSURE / EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS...

- *Student Inclusive Interviews (early dismissal 11:30 am) Wednesday, February 28, 2018*

February 2018 ~ Pitt Meadows Elementary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 "K General Registration Starts Students leave for Quebec	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Students Return from Quebec K General Reg Closes	9 School Not In Session	10
11	12 Family Day No Classes	13 Curriculum Day No Classes	14	15 Grade 8 on-line Registration	16	17
18	19 Assembly 9:30 am	20 PAC Meeting 6:30 pm	21	22	23	24
25	26 Lunchbox Theatre 11am - Theatrix Performance	27	28 Early Dismissal Conferences Dismissal @ 11:30 am			



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2017 – 2018 PME SCHOOL CALENDAR

SCHOOL CLOSURE / EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS...

- Spring Break
- Good Friday

Monday, March 12, 2018 to Friday, March 23, 2018
 Friday, March 30, 2018

March 2018 ~ Pitt Meadows Elementary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Student Conferences School not in session	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 M	13 A	14 R	15 C	16 H	17
18	19 B	20 R	21 E	22 A	23 K	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Good Friday	



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2017 – 2018 PME SCHOOL CALENDAR

Grade 8 On-line registration opens (at noon)
Student Inclusive Interviews (early dismissal 11:30 am)
Student Inclusive Interviews (classes not in session – all day)
Deadline for Grade 8 on-line registration (at noon)
Schools close for Spring Break
Daylight Savings Time Begins
Spring Break

Schools reopen after Spring Break
Kindergarten Enrolment – Late Registration

Good Friday

Easter Monday

Pizza Day Lunch
PALS - 2:45-3:45pm

Non- Instructional day

English Public Speaking (Grade 4 & 5)
English Public Speaking (Grade 6 & 7)

Camp Jubilee

Victoria Day

Non- Instructional day

Aboriginal Education Awards (Grades 8 – 12)
Grade 7s to High School

Kindergarten Immunization Booster Fair (MR Health Unit)
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Track & Field

Last day for students

Year-end Administrative Day
Schools close for Summer Vacation
As at: February 14, 2018

Thursday, February 15, 2018
Wednesday, February 28, 2018
Thursday, March 1, 2018
Friday, March 2, 2018
Friday, March 9, 2018
Sunday, March 11, 2018
Monday, March 12, to
Friday, March 23, 2018
Monday, March 26, 2018
March 28 – June 7, 2018
Friday, March 30, 2018
Monday, April 2, 2018
Wednesday, April 11, 2018
Monday, April 23, 2018
Monday, April 30, 2018
Wednesday, May 2, 2018
Thursday, May 3, 2018
Monday, May 14, 2018
Monday, May 21, 2018
Tuesday, May 22, 2018
Tuesday, May 29, 2018
Wednesday, May 30, 2018
Wednesday, June 6, 2018
Thursday, June 7, 2018
June 7 & 8, 2018
Wednesday, June 27, 2018
Thursday, June 28, 2018
Thursday, June 28, 2018

Basketball Schedule at a glance

We love crowd support!

Home games are scheduled as follows:

Monday*: Boys Recreation. Home Dates: Jan 15, Jan 29, Feb 14, Feb 26

Tuesday: Girls Recreation. Home Dates: Jan 23, Feb 6, Feb 20

Wednesday: Boys Competitive. Home Dates: Jan 31, Feb 7, Feb 21

Thursday: Girls Competitive. Home Dates: Jan 18, Jan 30, Feb 8, Feb 22

***not all games are played on the same weekday due to holidays/pro-d/curriculum days**



Parents are kindly asked to arrange rides to away games. Coaches and sponsor teachers cannot guarantee rides to away games and those who get rides need to be picked up at away schools when the game ends.

Coaches and Sponsor Teachers

Boys Recreation: Coach: Ross Power. Sponsor Teachers: Mrs. Toupin and Mrs Sandhu

Girls Recreation: Coaches/Sponsor Teachers: Mrs. Simard with Mrs. White

Boys Competitive: Coach: Mrs. Birth. Sponsor Teacher: Mrs. White

Girls Competitive: Coaches/Sponsor Teacher: Mr. Severud