**Newsletter # 18 Thursday, June 7th,2018**

Dear PME Families,​

Our PAC has been working tirelessly all year long to support our school and our students.  In addition, many of you have volunteered in some way to your child(ren)'s classroom, whether it be helping in class or on a field trip.  We would like to show our appreciation with our Parent Volunteer Tea next Wednesday, June 13th from 2-3pm in the library.  We hope as many volunteers as possible will be able to attend.

It is the time of year when we are planning for September, so if you are moving or changing schools, please let the office know as soon as possible.  This is critical at this point, as accuracy of our student population determines our school staffing.  In addition, we are creating preliminary class lists for next year and we want to make sure we include everyone who will be here in the fall.

Enjoy the last couple of weeks of learning with your child(ren).  There are many fun activities coming up, but there are also many opportunities to continue with their learning, so please encourage your child(ren) to put in their best effort right up until the end of the year.

As ever, our door is always open for concerns or questions.

Stephanie Dand

Principal

**Are you moving?**

We are currently working on the 2018 – 2019 staffing and the number of students that we have at each grade significantly impacts staffing levels**. If you know that you are moving and will not be attending PME in September, we would appreciate you letting us know ASAP.**



**PME School Calendar for 2018-2019**

At the end of this newsletter, you will find the calendar of the next year’s important dates. Please print off a copy for your reference.

**Soccer balls, basketballs and Cones needed**

Do you have any gently used soccer balls, basketballs or orange cones at home that you would consider donating to PME?  The kids have so many games going on at recess and lunch, and we can always use more equipment for the students to use.  Thank you in advance.  Our kids will appreciate it!

**SUBWAY LUNCH:**Online ordering for the upcoming Subway Lunch **on June 20** is open from today, **May 23 until Tuesday, June 12.** Please be sure to get your orders and payments in during this ordering window, as no late orders or payments can be accepted. See the PAC website (<https://pittmeadowselementarypac.weebly.com/hot-lunches.html>) for information on MunchaLunch and how to order.

**Please note that unless you have received an email receipt, your payment has not been received and your order has not been finalized. Please also be sure to let your child know if you have or have not ordered for them to avoid confusion on the day of the lunch.** Thank you for your support of our PAC Lunch program! Please pack a snack for recess.

**Student Leadership News**

It has been an incredible year for student leadership! We have completed our fundraising goal to build our school in India, we took part in the Terry Fox run, raised funds for the Christmas Hamper society, donated goods to the Friends in Need Food Bank, donated warm clothing to the Salvation Army and collected funds to support Humboldt Strong.  As well, they were in charge of a variety of spirit days.   They were a very hard working group of strong leaders.   Mme Wadden and Mme Chabot would like to thank all leaders for their dedication.   We hope to see most of you next year, and for our grade 7’s remember to take part in your high schools events.

**PAC NEWS**

**PAC Lunch on Primary Fun Day**: The PME PAC is providing a FREE hot lunch to all Primary students for Fun Day again this year. This year we will be serving cheese pizza, a side of fruit, a juice box and a freezie to the students. If your child has a gluten allergy or is allergic to dairy, please let us know ahead of time by emailing us at [pmepaclunch@gmail.com](mailto:pmepaclunch@gmail.com), as we want to make sure they get a lunch that will accommodate their dietary restrictions. These special orders need to be placed ahead of time, so please get in touch by Friday, June 15.

PAC would like to thank all of the volunteers that helped us through the year.  **The PAC executive are still looking for positions and Committee helpers** so please consider joining us in September.  **Our first meeting will be Tuesday September 11, 2018 6:30pm in the library**.  Mark it on your calendars and see you there.

**For further information on the following executive positions please visit our PAC website or email our NEW email =** [Pittmeadowselementarypac@gmail.com](mailto:Pittmeadowselementarypac@gmail.com)

Cheers,

PAC team

**PME Yearbook**

Don’t be disappointed!

**Last day to order your PME yearbook is Friday, June 8th.**

**Cost is $16.00 each. Cash only please!**

Order form attached.

**Teacher Appreciation Luncheon**

Tuesday, June 12th, 2018 - Thank you so much to all of the parents who are contributing to this wonderful

lunch for our staff. We love it!

**Parent Appreciation Tea**

The staff of PME would like to show their appreciation and thanks to all of the parents who have taken time to volunteer in our school this past year.   The Tea will be held on **Wednesday, June 13th** from 2-3pm. An invitation has been sent home.  Please R.S.V.P. to your child(s) teacher.

**Subway Day:**

**Wednesday, June 20th**

See the PAC website (<https://pittmeadowselementarypac.weebly.com/hot-lunches.html>) for information on MunchaLunch and how to order.  Please refer to above instructions to ensure your order has been submitted.

**Primary Fun Day**

**Friday, June 22nd, 2018**



**Primary Fun Day Volunteers Needed**  
**On June 22nd**, the PME primary teachers and the PAC will be holding a **Fun Day for all primary students while the Intermediate students are at the watersides.**

Parent volunteers are needed in the morning to help run stations, which will be all organized ahead of time by the teachers.  In addition, the PAC will be hosting a pizza lunch for the students and need your help organizing, and distributing**.  If you are able to help on Friday, June 22nd (time frame approx. 8:30-12:30 or any part thereof) please email Mme Dand.**  The more hands the easier it is and the more fun for our kids!  We still need lots of help!

Thank you in advance.

**Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony:**

Our Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 26th** at 10:00 a.m. Families of our departing grade 7s are warmly invited to attend the ceremony.

**CPF NEWS -** Canadian Parents for French Ridge Meadows

Camp d’été 2018 – French Summer Day Camp Theme: Aventures D'Ingénierie (Engineering Adventures)

July 23 – 27, 2018, 9am to 3pm Cost: $175

Registration Package is available online http://cpfridgemeadows.wordpress.com/events/summer-camp/ **Contact Us**

For more information visit our Chapter website <https://cpfridgemeadows.wordpress.com/> or email us at [cpf.ridgemeadows@gmail.com](mailto:cpf.ridgemeadows@gmail.com)

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**FINALS – Maple Ridge Secondary / MRSS – Merkley Park**

**Thursday, June 7th Grades 4 & 5**

**Friday, June 8th Grades 6 & 7**

*Events run from 8:30 am to 3:00*

**District Track and Field**

The meet will take place at **Maple Ridge Secondary School** which is located at 21911 122nd Avenue, Maple Ridge.  This event starts at 8:30am and finishes at approximately 3:00pm.  This event will be held RAIN OR SHINE. We ask that the children **be at MRSS by 8:00 am** in order to warm up and get organized. There will be a coaches meeting at 8:10am, Mr. Severud will be attending, so look for the PME tent. **Parents are responsible for getting their children to the track meet and home afterwards.** **Teachers cannot leave until all students are picked up, so please be prompt.**

Maple Ridge Secondary School will be in full session on both meet days.  The parking lots at either end of the school are for staff and students and may not be used by visitors.  Parking will not be available at the north end of Mt. Crescent Elementary.  Please try to car pool to help cut down on the traffic in the area

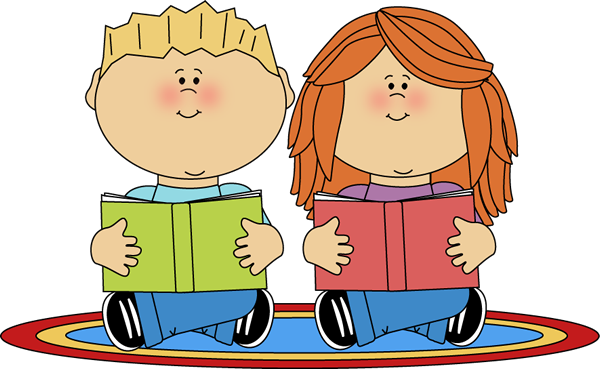
Plenty of spectator seating is available in the grandstand and you are welcome to bring lawn chairs to sit closer to events that are taking place in the various areas around the track.

In PE, we have been working on track and field events on fair-weather days since the end of Spring Break. Preliminary event results have been posted in our gymnasium. As in previous years, qualifying athletes can enter a maximum of two events, excluding the relay and the mile event, as the relay team and mile events are not considered as part of the two-event limit.

Some practices may begin the week of May 7th. While we encourage students to enter those events in which they had their best results, they are equally encouraged to come out for those events they enjoy the most. They should not put all their eggs in one basket as only four students can represent PME for each event per category (grade/gender). However, we are encouraging the top six or seven students (at least the top ten for 100m) to come out to practices to show the coaches what they are capable of in that event. Sometimes athletes are good in multiple events and have to sacrifice one or two, opening up a possible roster spot for another. In fact, students should try out for as many events as they feel they’re good in to try to make the team. At the 6/7 level, we are often short of runners for 400m and we are encouraging athletes to consider this event.

Please recognize that track and field is as competitive as a team sport. Every track event has qualifying top times that athletes need to make, while every field event has a standard that athletes not only have to meet, but must exceed in order to compete against other athletes in the district. While we hope that as many students qualify for the track and field team as possible, it will come down to best results relative to peers. We aim to be very considerate when picking our final roster. In the end, it is up to the coaches to verify and confirm the top four athletes for each event; however, performance, hard work, AND commitment will all be factors coaches will consider in choosing their event rosters. Athletes need to participate in practice to make the team. Practice times are as follows:

Good luck PME!



**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**

Kipton B.

Andrea F.

Aubin H.

Violet H.

Rowan K.

Branden S.

**Primary 60 Days**

Haley C.

Cole D.

Lily H.

Jonah L.

Ekaterina M.

Luca M.

Nate P.

Victoria P.

Lucas R.

Sawyer S.

Tulla S.

Veer S.

Zoe T.

Kieran W-K.

Bella Z.

**Primary 90 Days**

Hannah B.

Matthew C.

Max C.

Elle F.

Griffin F.

Brody G.

J.J. G.

Sierra H.

Oli N.

**Primary 120 Days**

Eloise B.

Michelle G.

Brenna H.

Makena H.

Isaak K.

Gabriella M.

Kalia M.

SennaS.

**Primary 150 Days**

Lukas H.

Gabriel L.

**Primary 180 Days**

Carson G.

Kaydence McC.

Satyawan N.

Aria S.

Havana T.

Nico U.

Oliver W.

**Primary 210 Days**

Kali W-K.

**Primary 240 Days**

Serena A.

Monica C.

Quinn K.

Katherine M.

Made M.

**Intermediate 120 Days**

Ben E.

**Intermediate 210 Days**

Charlie M.

Suhani N.

**DISTRICT NEWS**

**Your Kids & Drugs – A Forum for Parents**

**Thursday, June 14  
7:00 – 9:00 PM**  
**Maple Ridge Secondary (Annex Gym)**  
21911 – 122nd Ave  
Maple Ridge, V2X 3X2

SD42 DPAC and Alouette Addictions Services present Your Kids & Drugs – A Forum For Parents on **Thursday, June 14, 2018** at Maple Ridge Secondary.  
   
The forum will offer a real-life perspective on drug and alcohol use from the front-line professionals.

* find out current drug trends
* see what drugs are out there and what to do about it
* learn to recognize signs of use
* the science of social media abuse
* the effects of drugs and media on the brain
* counter-intuitive ways to talk to your teen
* Q&A with Alouette Addictions Clinical Therapists

This is a parents only event. To register, please go to: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/sd42-dpac-presents-your-kids-drugs-a-forum-for-parents-tickets-46514198219?aff=es2>

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**How well can your child see?**

If your child is enrolled in kindergarten for the 2017-18 school year and is enrolled in a participating school district, s/he is eligible for a comprehensive eye exam and, if prescribed, one FREE pair of eyeglasses from a participating B.C. doctor of optometry through the Eye See…Eye Learn program.

**Valid until: August 31, 2018**

See attachment for more details.

**Fraser Valley Regional Library**

Elspeth Bowers presentation on Wednesday, August 8 at 2pm. See enclosure for more details.

**Enclosures:**

How well can your child see?

Yearbook order form

Fraser Valley Regional Library – Elspeth Bowers presentation

**2017 – 2018 PME SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**SCHOOL CLOSURE / EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS…**

* ***Early Dismissal for Current Kindergarten Students at 11 am Thursday, June 7, 2018***
* ***Last Day for Students Wednesday, June 27, 2018***

**June 2018 – Pitt Meadows Elementary**

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 3 | 4 | 5  PAC  Meeting  6:30pm | 6  K Immunization Booster Fair @ Fraser Health | 7  **Welcome to Kindergarten**  **@ 5:30 pm**  **Early Dismissal for current Kindergarten Students @ 11 am** | 8 | 9 |
|  |  |  |  | District Track & Field  Gr 4/5 | District Track & Field  Gr 6/7 |  |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
|  |  | Teacher  Appreciation  Luncheon | Parent Appreciation Tea 2 – 3 pm |  |  |  |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
|  |  |  | Subway Day | Urban Safari for Primary Classes | Cultus Lake &  Primary Fun Day |  |
| 24 | **25** | 26  Grade 7  Leaving Ceremony | 27  **Last Day for Students**  **At Noon** | 28  **Schools close**  **For**  **Summer Vacation** | 29 | 30 |
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*Welcome to Kindergarten @5:30pm Thursday, June 7, 2018*

***Early Dismissal for current Kindergarten students at 11am Thursday, June 7, 2018***

*Kindergarten Immunization Booster Fair (@ Maple Ridge Health Unit) Thursday, June 7, 2018*

*District Track & Field Thursday, June 7 & Friday, June 8, 2018*

*Teacher Appreciation Luncheon Tuesday, June 12, 2018*

*Parent Appreciation Tea (2-3pm in the library) Wednesday, June 13, 2018*

*Subway Day Wednesday, June 20, 2018*

*Intermediate Waterslides at Cultus Lake Friday, June 22, 2018*

*Primary Fun Day Friday, June 22, 2018*

*Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony Tuesday, June 26, 2018*

***Last day for students – early dismissal @ NOON Wednesday, June 27, 2018***

*Year-end Administrative Day Thursday, June 28, 2018*

*Schools close for Summer Vacation Thursday, June 28, 2018*



**2018 – 2019 PME SCHOOL CALENDAR**

*Schools opening day for students Tuesday, September 4, 2018*

*Non- Instructional day Monday, September 24, 2018*

*Thanksgiving Day Monday, October 8, 2018*

*Non- Instructional day (province-wide) Friday, October 19, 2018*

*Non- Instructional day (curriculum implementation day) Friday, November 9, 2018*

*Remembrance Day Monday, November 12, 2018*

*Student Inclusive Interviews (early dismissal 11:30 am) Thursday, December 6, 2018*

*Student Inclusive Interviews (classes not in session – all day) Friday, December 7, 2018*

*Schools close for Winter Break Friday, December 21, 2018*

*Winter Break Monday, December 24, to Friday, January 4, 2019*

*Schools reopen after Winter Break Monday, January 7, 2019*

*Non- Instructional day (curriculum implementation day) Friday, January 25, 2019*

*Non- Instructional day (school based) Thursday, February 14, 2019*

*Schools not in session Friday, February 15, 2019*

*Family Day Monday, February 18, 2019*

*Student Inclusive Interviews (early dismissal 11:30 am) Wednesday, March 13, 2019*

*Student Inclusive Interviews (classes not in session – all day) Thursday, March 14, 2019*

*Schools close for Spring Break Friday, March 15, 2019*

*Spring Break Monday, March 18, to Friday, March 22, 2019*

*Schools not in session Monday, March 25, 2019 to Friday, March 29, 2019*

*Schools reopen after Spring Break Monday, April 1, 2019*

*Good Friday Friday, April 19, 2019*

*Easter Monday Monday, April 22, 2019*

*Non- Instructional day (district) Monday, April 29, 2019*

*Victoria Day Monday, May 20, 2019*

*Non- Instructional day (school based) Tuesday, May 21, 2019*

*Last day for students Wednesday, June 26, 2019*

*Year-end Administrative Day Thursday, June 27, 2019*

*Schools close for Summer Vacation Thursday, June 28, 2019*

As at: May 23, 2018