



Pitt Meadows Elementary

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Newsletter #2

October 10, 2018

Dear PME Families,

We are off to a great start to the 2018-2019 school year. The students are settling very well into their new classrooms and are smiling, eager and working hard already.

There are many important items in this newsletter so please take the time to read it carefully. Please be sure to check our website regularly for updates.

Drop Off

Please remember to watch your speed in the drop-off area.

Welcome Slips

We are excited to see every child every day. Late slips will now be called "Welcome Slips". "Welcome Slips" are not needed unless your child arrives after 8:40 am. Before then, your child should go directly to their classroom, where their teacher will mark them late. If you should arrive after 8:40 am please sign in at the office.

Sickness/Vacation

If your child is going to be absent from school or late, please let us know by using one of these methods:

- Email at pme_reception@sd42.ca
- Log the absence on the portal
- Call the school at (604) 465-5828. Voicemail is available 24 hours a day for your convenience.

If your child is late after 8:40 am, please check in at the office.

Student Retake Photo Day

October 23, 2018



Terry Fox Run 2018

It was great to see everyone participating in the Terry Fox Run on such a beautiful day. Thanks to everyone's school spirit and fundraising efforts, we raised \$1912.25!! Thank you to all the parent volunteers who came out to spot and direct our students, we truly appreciate it!



Boys Volleyball

New practice: Friday, October 12th @ 7:15 am

Next game: Monday October 15th @ Alouette (The practice scheduled that day has been cancelled).

Cross-country Fall 2018

This year, School District 42 is holding a fall cross-country meet for both primary and intermediate students on the following dates:



Intermediates:

Tuesday, October 23rd at Alouette Lake Day Use Area.

Primaries:

Wednesday, October 24th at the Albion Sports Complex.

For Primaries:

Mme. Belson, Ms. Abdulla, Mrs. Scott, and Mme Van Sickle will alternatively be holding practice sessions at lunch Tuesday (Grade 1), Wednesday (Grade 2) and Thursdays (Grade 3). All practices will occur in the gym until closer to race day when practice may occur outside on school property.

For intermediates:

Mr. Severud will be holding practice sessions at lunch on most Mondays and Fridays. On rainy days, athletes will be in the gym, but on sunny days, practice will occur around the school property, sometimes in damp conditions. We may have one session going off school grounds.

Clothing:

Intermediates should wear a regular gym strip or just come to school in athletic wear that day (not a lot of time to change). Primaries are only required to wear their inside shoes in the gym. Water bottles for both levels are recommended.

Permission Forms and Meet Details:

This week, students will be bringing home permission forms. In order for your child to represent PME at the meet or to practice off school grounds (intermediates only), please fill out and return the permission form by October 12th. More detailed information about the meets are in the permission form and are available on the school and/or district websites.

Again, No Spring Cross-country:

As in the last two school years, there will be no spring cross-country meet. With track and field so close, and the community demand for race equipment so high in the spring as well as the unavailability of field space (baseball season/Home Show), it is no longer feasible to run a spring cross-country event.

WE scare hunger - Halloween for Hunger

October 24 - November 2

Did you know that each month, over 850,000 Canadians require help from food banks—more than one third of these individuals are children and youth?

At PME student leaders want to make a difference through WE SCARE HUNGER. They are asking students to bring a non-perishable food item to help support our local Friends in Need Food Bank. We will be collecting all canned goods from October 24th to November 2nd. Instead of asking for candy, students could ask their neighbors for a non-perishable food item. Let's help others.

Intermediate School Dance

On October 31st student leaders will be hosting a Halloween dance in the afternoon. Grades 4 and 5 will attend from 12:45 pm to 1:30 pm and grades 6 and 7 from 1:30 pm to 2:15 pm.

We are asking students to bring in a non-perishable donation for the food bank as an entry fee, although no student will be denied access. Remember to wear your costumes.

Pajama Day November 1

After a long night of trick or treating, student leaders would like all PME students to come to school on November 1st in their comfiest Pajamas. Show your PME pride!

PAC News for October

Thanks to all for showing your spirit for PME by purchasing (at cost) our spirit wear. We placed a LARGE order and should be receiving it mid-October.

- Once again, we had a beautiful sunny day for our Annual Terry Fox run. Thank you to all the volunteers that were able to help us make it safe and fun. We appreciate any donations that you and your children brought as that goes straight to the Terry Fox Foundation.
- Thank you for those that participated in the PAC Give an Item/Take an Item. Would you be interested in doing this again? Contact Amber Potter with feedback or concerns to astone46@live.com.
- PAC is excited to announce that we will be having our 3rd Annual Xmas market on Thursday November 22, 2018 from 5-8pm. If you are interested in purchasing a vendor table for the event, please contact Myra Golab at myragolab@gmail.com
- Don't forget that PAC meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month and all parents are encouraged to come and get involved with the school. You can really help make your children's school the best it possibly can be. Please join us at 6:30pm on October 9, 2018.

The Pitt Meadows Elementary PAC now has its 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.

Lunch Lady News

Please go online and check out the menu options available. Throughout the fall, they will be randomly selecting students from their network for a FREE LUNCH! No purchase is necessary but you must be registered for an account with the Lunch Lady. Don't have an account? Go to www.thelunchlady.ca. Your community Lunch Lady is Jennifer (604) 460-9015. You can contact her at jennifer@thelunchlady.ca

GIRLS Volleyball Current Information (updated September 26th, 2018)

Practices:

Most girls volleyball practices will be in the afternoons of TUESDAY and THURSDAY.

Games:

Games will be a combination of inter-squad and school versus school games. PME will have to work to arrange games with other schools and this will take a couple of weeks to do. We are going to try to arrange games on Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays, but game days might vary week to week depending on the availability of other teams. The regular schedule doesn't begin until the week of October 10th (it's a short season of 6 games), and our goal is to start playing games that week as well, depending on team availability. Game information will be updated as new information becomes available.

Permission Forms:

As we have no scheduled games thus far, permission forms will be going home once away games are scheduled and we can provide a printed schedule for you. Stay tuned.

Coaches:

Mme Towne is coaching the girls volleyball team this year.

BOYS Volleyball Current Information (updated September 26th, 2018)

Practices:

Most boys volleyball practices will be in the afternoons of MONDAY and WEDNESDAY. Morning practices will be on THURSDAYS (if players cannot make morning practices due to other commitments are commuting challenges that is okay).

Updated schedule for the next 3 weeks:

Wednesday September 26th - 2:30pm -3:45pm
Wednesday October 3rd - 2:30pm - 3:45pm
Thursday October 4th - 7:15am - 8:15am
Monday October 15th - 2:30pm-4:00pm
Wednesday October 17th - 2:30pm - 3:45pm
Thursday October 18th - 7:15am - 8:15am
Monday October 22nd - 2:30 - 4:00pm
Wednesday October 24th - 2:30pm - 3:45pm

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This year we have three very qualified and eager parent coaches, Jamie Schwingenschloegl, Alison, and Chad Evans. Both Mr. Severud and Ms. Abdulla are sponsor teachers for the team.