



Whonnock Elementary

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Upcoming Events

Nov 17 - Whonnock Market

Nov 20 - Hot Lunch

Nov 21 - Coins for Kids Lemonade Sale

Nov 25 - Food Bank Donations Begin

Nov 29 - Entrepreneur Fair in Gym

Dec 4-6 - Scholastic Book Fair in Library

Dec 5 - Dismissal @ 11:30
Student Led Conferences

Dec 6 -No School
Student Led Conferences

Dec 11 - Santa Mall

Dec 19 - Winter Concerts 9:00 & 1:00

Dec 21 – Jan 5 - Winter Break!

Jan 6 – Welcome Back to School

Message from the Principal:

A friend of mine regularly posts how many school lunches there are until Winter Break. We are entering the home stretch! It's a good time of year to reflect on how far our students have come since the beginning of the school year. Student-Led Conferences will soon be here, where we celebrate student learning and successes with their teachers. After conferences, the school will be buzzing with our holiday concert rehearsals and performances.

Please note the opportunities to take part in holiday giving this year. Our Leadership students will be running a Lemonade Sale on November 21: each cup costs \$1 and all proceeds will go to the Maple Ridge Christmas Hamper Society. Starting November 25 to December 19, we will be collecting Food Bank donations.

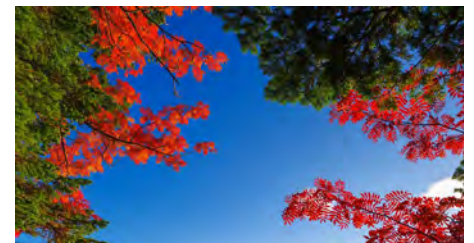
Thank you for being an essential part of our Whonnock community. We are grateful for all that you do to support our students, we wish all our families and community members a safe and rewarding holiday season.

Megan Olynyk
Principal

PARENT PORTAL



THANK YOU for taking the time to fill out the online consent forms and the Emergency Release Forms. If you have not completed these forms, please go onto the parent portal, and complete them ASAP, there will be a **red alert** when you log in to let you know they are not complete.



STUDENT ABSENCES: Thank you for remembering to submit absences over the portal, emails, or calling into the office. All Voicemail gets sent to Ms. Lorrie as an immediate email so feel free to leave a detailed message, mornings are busy times over here!

Please let Ms. Lorrie and your students teacher know if your child is going to be late, absent, or requires an early pickup, and continue to sign them out at the front office desk.



EXTRA CLOTHES:

We are into wet and muddy season here at Whonnock! Please send an extra change of clothes to school for your student and label with their names so we can keep the lost and found empty. Thanks for your help!

PARKING – Reminder to all parents/guardians that we have a “kiss and go” policy when dropping off students in the morning and picking up at the end of the day.

There is **NO** stopping or parking in the round-about and **NO** parking in the **staff parking or at the fire hall**. This creates too much congestion in the mornings and afternoons. Please be considerate of other families and staff coming and going at these times of days.

*Many of our students take the school bus to and from school. Please ensure you are leaving space for the bus to park, and please allow the bus to move into the travel lane to keep to the bus schedule.

STUDENTS AT SCHOOL BEFORE AND AFTER THE BELL – A reminder that we cannot provide supervision to children who remain on school grounds before and after school. It is expected that students are dropped off and picked within 10-15 minutes of the bell.

LOST & FOUND – The Lost and Found is at the GYM entry, please feel free to have a peek and take what is yours, items left for over a month will be donated to our local shops.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCE – SAVE THE DATES

Conferences will be taking place Thursday, December 5 & Friday, December 6

Santa Mall on December 11th, there is a festive box in the front entry, please donate there.

Information night: Are you interested in hosting an international student?

Are you interested in welcoming an international student into your home? Join us for an online information session on **Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 7 p.m.** Call 604.466.6555 Ext. 3 or email inted@sd42.ca to register.

Hosting an international student allows you and your family to experience new cultures and connections while making a significant difference in a student's life. Host families are a valuable part of the Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows International Education program and provide our students with support to help them adjust to living away from home. This support helps students have a positive experience both academically and out of school.

Whether you have hosted in the past or are new to the experience, we have varying program lengths, allowing you to choose which works best for your family.

Learn more at <https://inted.sd42.ca/host-a-student/hosting-information/>.

Maple Ridge Youth Strategy Survey

This survey has been created to help better understand how the community of Maple Ridge can better support youth needs. We appreciate you taking the time to complete this anonymous survey. The purpose of the Youth Strategy is to help youth understand their place and value in the community. And to help service providers, parents, caregivers, youth and the community at large to work with and support youth (12-18) and emerging adults (19-24) to promote positive physical, social, and emotional outcomes.

[Maple Ridge Youth Strategy Survey \(surveymonkey.com\)](https://www.surveymonkey.com)

SD42 Accessibility Survey

Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows School District No. 42 is inviting feedback from students, staff, and families on accessibility barriers in the district. These barriers can range from access to a school program, building, or school information, to the ability to receive a needed service or support. Provide feedback at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SD42access>



THOMAS HANEY CRAFT FAIR

Thomas Haney Secondary

November 23rd - 24th

Times : 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Admission:

\$5 Per adult \$3 Per Senior

Kids 12 and under FREE with an Adult

Over 120 Vendors!

Featuring:

New! Vendor item raffle

New! Cafe run by THSS Culinary Program

New! Food truck Festival Featuring

Over 6 Food Trucks

ChildCare by donation