



YENNADON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter #5

January 25, 2022

Principal's Message

Welcome back! We hope all Yennadon families had a great Christmas break and on behalf of the staff we would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe New Year! We are looking forward to our second half of the school year.

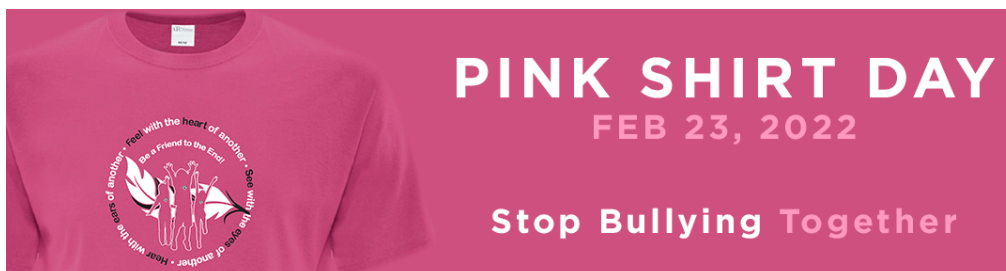
Many thanks go out to our staff for their hard work and effort within our school everyday. Staff members are continually giving of themselves by helping and supporting each other and your children. Yennadon is a truly wonderful community!

Mrs. L. Lawrance, Principal



Upcoming Events

Jan. 11 – Mar. 11	Grade 4 & 7 Middle Years Development Instrument Timeframe
Thurs., Jan. 27	7:00 pm DPAC Grade 8 Registration General Information Night (online)
Mon., Jan. 31	7:00 pm Learning Services Grade 8 Registration Information Night (online)
February 2 – 8	Kindergarten General Registration (Parent Portal)
Wed., Feb. 2	9:00 am Monthly Assembly (in school Zoom)
February 3 – 18	Grade 8 Registration District-Wide (Parent Portal)
Tues., Feb. 8	Fruit and Vegetable Delivery – kiwi
Mon., Feb. 21	Family Day Holiday – School Closed
Tues., Feb. 22	School Based Non-Instructional Day (no school for students)
Wed., Feb. 23	Pink Shirt Day!
	Kindergarten Late Registration begins (Parent Portal)
Fri., Feb. 25	Jump Rope for Heart – <i>tentative</i>



Kindergarten Registration for 2022-2023

School District #42 is again using “online only” registration system through the Parent Portal for Kindergarten 2022-23. The timelines for registration at Yennadon are as follows:

Kindergarten Registration Categories

Sibling: January 5 – 11, 2022

Environmental School: Jan. 12 – 14, 2022

Choice: January 19 – 24, 2022

General: February 2 – 8, 2022

Late: February 23 – July 31, 2022

Open: August 17 and on



All registration periods open at 12:00 noon online. Any child who turns 5 years old in 2022 (born in 2017) is eligible to register for the 2022/23 school year.

All Kindergarten Registrations require a “Portal” account! After registering online, parents will receive an email from SD42 telling them that their application has been received. Once SD42 has assigned students to their specific schools, parents will receive a second email asking them to upload their supporting documents to the Parent Portal. This email will have a specific window for supporting documents to be received by the school. ***Please note that if documentation is not received by the given date, the child will be unassigned to any school.***



Family Literacy Day – Thursday, January 27th

Family Literacy Day takes place every January 27th to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. Since 1999, thousands of schools, libraries, literacy organizations and other community groups have taken part in the initiative. ABC (www.abclifeliteracy.ca) creates free learning and promotional resources for anyone that wants to get involved. Taking time every day to read or do a learning activity with children is crucial to a child's development, improving a child's literacy skills dramatically, and can help a parent improve their skills as well.

Family Literacy Day 2022 Theme: Learning in the Great Outdoors!

Spending time in nature provides many benefits, not just for bodies, but for minds too. This year, get outside and exercise both your mind and body together as a family. You can make outdoor time fun family learning time all while enjoying the wonders of Canada's Great Outdoors!

Grade 8 Registration for 2022 – 2023

All Grade 8 registration for the 2022-23 school year will be done online through the Parent Portal. **The Grade 8 Transfer Period will open at 12:00 noon February 3, 2022.** Families with children currently enrolled in a Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows School District elementary school should **submit an *Existing Student Transfer Request*** in the Grade 8 Transfer Period. See [Grade 8 Transfer Period Information 2022/23](#) for more details.

The registration form will automatically populate with your child's secondary catchment school. This is determined by your address (not your elementary school). You can use the school locator tool at <http://www.sd42.ca/school-locator/> to check your secondary catchment school. Please note that new development areas may not reflect accurate results of your catchment school. Please call and confirm with the school if necessary. If the address you register on the portal does not match what is on file, proof of change of address will be required. Tenant Rental agreements are not accepted as proof of address.

1. Out-of-catchment registrations may be restricted by the limits of the school facility size and staffing. The district will accommodate **catchment registrations first** and then attempt to accommodate **sibling out of catchment registrations**; however, sibling placement cannot be guaranteed. Please refer to the acceptance criteria online.

2. All Grade 8 online registration must be **completed by February 18, 2022.**

3. Parents will be notified by email before Spring Break as to where their child is assigned.

4. **Movement between schools (i.e. families changing their minds) after the February 18th deadline requires a transfer process**, as staffing for schools is established based upon registrations as of this date. A transfer request must be submitted on the Parent Portal under the *Enrolment Requests-New; Transfer; Withdraw (2022/2023)* school year. Building space and available staffing limit this process. A review of transfer requests will be completed before the end of May.

There are no high school specific Grade 7 Information Nights prior to registration. Each high school will host an information session for incoming students once registration is complete.



Report Cards and Three Way Conferences

Our next **Early Dismissal for conferences is Thursday, March 3rd at 11:30 am** and our **Three Way Conferences are on Friday, March 4th**. Please mark your calendars. Given the provincial health guidelines for educational settings, our Term 2 reporting conferences may be virtual again with the teacher, the parent(s)/guardian(s), and the student. If virtual, the conference will be a bit shorter than usual (10–15 min. instead of the usual 20–30 min.).



Middle Years Development Instrument – Grades 4 & 7

School District No. 42 has partnered with the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) at the University of British Columbia to measure and promote children's social and emotional development, health, well-being, and assets through the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI). The Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) is a self-report questionnaire that asks children in middle childhood about their thoughts, feelings, and experiences. The MDI is the first survey of its kind to gather information about the lives of children both in school, in the home and in the community, from their own perspective. The survey questions align with the BC Ministry of Education's K-12 curriculum, which includes a focus on promoting children's personal and social competencies.

Grade 4 and 7 students are invited to complete the MDI during class time between January 11th and March 11th.

For more information and to view the questionnaires: <http://earlylearning.ubc.ca/mdi/>

Parent FAQs: <http://earlylearning.ubc.ca/mdi/parent-guardian-resources/>

If you don't want your child to participate, please contact your child's teacher and fill out the withdrawal form at the end of the parent/guardian informed consent letter which was sent on the Parent Portal at the end of November.

Natural Themed Playground and Outdoor Learning Area

Christmas came early to Yennadon! Thanks to the support of the PAC, our dream of a natural themed playground and outdoor learning area became a reality. What an amazing gift that provides us opportunities to gather, to learn, and to connect. The rock benches were installed during the Christmas break and surprisingly, it did not rain or snow that day!



Drop Off and Pick Up Reminder

We are seeing some instances of parents parking in our fire lane and leaving their vehicles unattended while they come into the school. This is a violation of the fire code and is viewed quite seriously by the Fire Department. One of the reasons our round-about entrance has remained open to cars in the morning for drop off and at the end of the day for pick up is our assurance that **cars will not be left unattended in the fire lane at any time during the day**. We ask for your cooperation in following this request in the morning and after school.



Guidelines for Transferring Schools

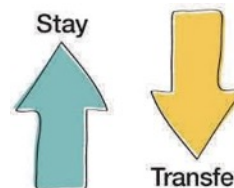
These guidelines apply to students who want to:

- Transfer to Yennadon from another school in Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows
- Transfer out of Yennadon to another school in Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows

Parents contemplating a transfer request are encouraged to consult with the principal before submitting a formal request. **To make a formal transfer request, log in to your [Parent Portal](#) account, click on the 'Registration' tab, and under 'New Request' select the appropriate transfer period.**

In general, acceptance criteria for prioritizing new registrations are:

- Students who live in catchment
- Students who live out of catchment with siblings already in the school
- Out of catchment without siblings
- Out of District students



At **Yennadon**, we generally can **only take students who live in our catchment**. Sometimes, we can take students who live out of catchment, but who already have siblings in our school. Given how full we are, we usually do not accept students from out of catchment if they do not have siblings in our school. As always, if you have questions, please give us a call. Please refer to the prioritization of transfer requests for more detailed information: [SD42 Procedure for Student Placement](#).

Ministry of Education Student Learning Surveys

MESSAGE TO PARENTS OF GRADE 4 AND 7 STUDENTS

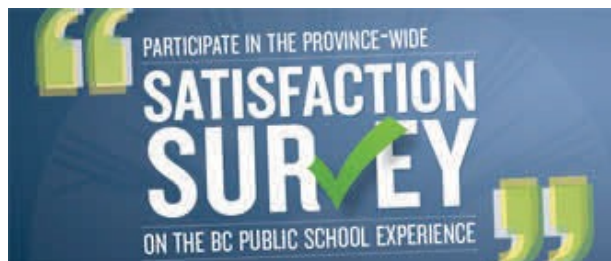
This year, parents do not need a Logon code to access the online Student Learning Survey.

Electronic surveying is available until April 30, 2022. The website to access the electronic survey is:

http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm

We request you please take 15 minutes of your time to fill this out. If, at any time, you have questions please do not hesitate to call us.

The more parents who complete these surveys, the higher quality of feedback we will receive. Your input is appreciated! As well as completing this survey, please feel free to contact us anytime with questions or feedback!



Daily Health Check and What to do When Sick – **UPDATED**

Everyone going into a school must complete a daily health check, including staff, visitors, and students. A daily health check means checking yourself or your child for new symptoms of illness, including symptoms of COVID-19. If a student, staff, or other adult is sick, they must not enter the school.

The **BC Centre for Disease Control** has **updated** its guidance on [when to get a COVID-19 test](#) and when to [self-isolate](#). Please review the *What to do When Sick* flowchart at the end of the newsletter for a summary of this guidance. This flowchart is also available on the district website at <https://www.sd42.ca/assets/media/Daily-Health-Assessment-January-2022.pdf>.

Wheelhouse District Program

The Wheelhouse is a classroom where students are both challenged and supported in becoming life-long learners and responsible citizens. Some of the highlights of the program 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, where each student is assigned an iPad for use throughout the school year.

The Wheelhouse program is open to all Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows School District students who will be going into grades 6 and 7 in September 2022.

Registration / Transfer Requests

The registration/transfer request process for the Wheelhouse Program opens **on the [Parent Portal](#) at noon, January 27, 2022**. Registration closes at 11:59 p.m. on February 7, 2022.

The program runs out of Alouette Elementary, 22155 Isaac Crescent, Maple Ridge. 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 <https://wheelhouse.sd42.ca/>.

Late French Immersion Online Information Night

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 (6:30 p.m.)

Preregistration required: <https://bit.ly/31UiMmr>

The SD42 Late French Immersion Program is an excellent opportunity for students who want to learn a second language or are looking for a challenge. Students who are currently in Grade 5 are eligible to begin Late French Immersion in September 2022 at Golden Ears Elementary. This two-year elementary program continues at Maple Ridge Secondary School.

To learn more about Late French Immersion, participate in our online information meeting on February 3, 2021.

For more information about our French Immersion programs, please contact Shelley Linton at 604.463.7108 or shelley_linton@sd42.ca

Registration / Transfer Requests

The registration/transfer request process for Late French Immersion **opens on the [Parent Portal](#) at noon, January 27, 2022**. Registration closes at 11:59 p.m. on February 7, 2022.

The Late French Immersion Program runs out of Golden Ears Elementary school, 23124 – 118 Avenue, Maple Ridge.



Pitt Meadows Hockey Academy

This program runs out of Pitt Meadows Secondary School.

Zoom Open House

Thursday, February 3, 2022 (7:00 p.m.)

Meeting ID: 814 3858 5084

Passcode: 450530

Registration open February 4, 2022

at 8:30 a.m.

Register at RPMHOCKEY.COM



Family Education Centre

The Family Education & Support Centre has been supporting families in our community for over 40 years. Please visit their website at www.familyed.bc.ca to find out more about the services they offer.

PARENTING RESILIENT CHILDREN



Understand better what resiliency is and how we can foster it in our families.

Please note this program will take place online, via Zoom.

FEB 8TH (TUES) 10AM - 12PM
PRICE: \$15

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
The Family Education & Support Centre
22554 Lougheed Hwy, Maple Ridge
(604) 467 - 6055
reg@familyed.ca

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QUESTIONS?

Join our Zoom Open House on February 3 2022 at 7:00 pm

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REGISTRATION OPENS FEB 4, 2022
AT 8:30AM



ANGER MONSTER



CHILD'S PROGRAM

This children's program is designed to teach children 8-12 yrs old what anger is. This program is designed to allow participants to be able to identify their triggers and learn tools to help control their anger.

ADULT'S PROGRAM

The parents program features skills from Neufeld Institute, including various anger cycles and goals of behavior. Participants will also learn how to help support their child's efforts to tame their anger, along with different calming techniques.

FEB 5TH- MAR 5TH SATURDAYS
3-5PM
PRICE: \$90
NO CLASSES FEB 19TH
(based on a registration for one adult and one child)

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
The Family Education & Support Centre
22554 Lougheed Hwy, Maple Ridge
(604) 467 - 6055 or www.familyed.bc.ca





WHAT TO DO WHEN SICK

IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS, STAY HOME

Most people don't need testing for COVID-19. Use the [BCCDC Self-Assessment Tool](#) or contact 811 or your health care provider to find out if a COVID-19 test is recommended. Symptoms of COVID-19 include:



- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Loss of sense of smell/taste
- Difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- Loss of appetite
- Runny nose
- Sneezing
- Extreme tiredness
- Headache
- Body aches
- Nausea/vomiting
- Diarrhea



Go to emergency or call 911 if you:

- Find it hard to breathe
- Have chest pain
- Can't drink anything
- Feel very sick
- Feel confused

IF YOU HAVE MILD SYMPTOMS (OR HAVE TESTED NEGATIVE): STAY HOME

- For most people, testing is not recommended.
- Mild symptoms can be managed at home.



IF YOU TEST POSITIVE: SELF ISOLATE

- Complete an online form to report your test result.
- Manage your own symptoms.
- Let your household contacts know.

RETURN TO SCHOOL / WORK

Stay home until you feel well enough to return to your regular activities



IF YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED OR LESS THAN 18 YEARS OLD

You can end isolation and return to school / work when all conditions are met:

- 1 At least 5 days have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
- 2 Fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- 3 Symptoms have improved.

You should avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings such as long-term care facilities and gatherings for another 5 days after ending isolation

IF YOU ARE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND NOT FULLY VACCINATED

You can end isolation and return to school / work when all conditions are met:

- 1 At least 10 days have passed since your symptoms started, or from test date if you did not have symptoms.
- 2 Fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- 3 Symptoms have improved.

IF YOU STILL HAVE SYMPTOMS



Continue to isolate longer if you still have a fever or are not feeling better. If you are unsure or concerned, connect with your health care provider or call 811.

WHAT TO DO IF SOMEONE IS SICK IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD

You can continue to attend school if someone in your household is sick and/or self-isolating as long as you do not have any symptoms of illness and feel well. This includes if they have tested positive for COVID-19. Ensure you closely monitor yourself (or your child) for symptoms of illness and stay home if you feel unwell. The best way to protect yourself and your family from COVID-19 is to get vaccinated. Vaccines are available for anyone ages 5 and up. Register now at: [Getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca](https://getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca)