



YENNADON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter #5

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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. 10 – Mar. 3	Grade 4 & 7 Middle Years Development Instrument Timeframe
Tues., Jan. 24	7:00 pm Learning Services Gr. 7 to 8 Registration Information Night (virtual)
Wed., Jan. 25	Spirit Day – Colours by Grade!
Thurs., Jan. 26	7:00 pm DPAC Gr. 7 to 8 Registration General Information Night (virtual)
Tues., Jan. 31	Hot Chocolate Day (courtesy of the PAC) – bring your own mug Order deadline for Feb. 10 th Pizza Hot Lunch 7:00 pm PAC Meeting (virtual)
February 1 – 7	Kindergarten General Registration (Parent Portal)
Wed., Feb. 1	9:00 am INTERMEDIATE Assembly
February 2 – 17	Grade 8 Registration District-Wide (Parent Portal)
Tues., Feb. 7	Fruit and Vegetable Delivery – apples
Fri., Feb. 10	Pizza Hot Lunch (pre-order required)
Tues., Feb. 14	Order deadline for Feb. 24 th Pizza Hot Lunch
Fri., Feb. 17	6:30 pm PAC Movie Night
Mon., Feb. 20	Family Day Holiday – School Closed
Tues., Feb. 21	School Based Non-Instructional Day (no school for students)
Wed., Feb. 22	Pink Shirt Day! Kindergarten Late Registration begins (Parent Portal)
Fri., Feb. 24	Jump Rope for Heart Pizza Hot Lunch (pre-order required)
Tues., Feb. 28	Fruit and Vegetable Delivery – cucumbers 7:00 pm PAC Meeting (Library)



Kindergarten Registration for 2023-2024

School District #42 is again using “online only” registration system through the Parent Portal for Kindergarten 2023-24. The timelines for registration at Yennadon are as follows:

Kindergarten Registration Categories

Sibling: January 4 – 10, 2023

Environmental School: Jan. 11 – 13, 2023

Choice: January 18 – 23, 2023

General: February 1 – 7, 2023

Late: February 22 – July 28, 2023

Open: August 21 and on



All registration periods open at 12:00 noon online. Any child who turns 5 years old in 2023 (born in 2018) is eligible to register for the 2023/24 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 – Friday, 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 2023 Theme: Celebrate Your Heritage!

Canada is a great diverse country full of different cultures. Take time to explore and learn about your heritage. Celebrate what you’ve found and share your culture with others. There’s no better way to learn about your family, than together as a family.

Grade 8 Registration for 2023 – 2024

All Grade 8 registration for the 2023-24 school year will be done online through the Parent Portal. **The Grade 8 Transfer Period will open at 12:00 noon February 2, 2023.** 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. Read the [Grade 8 Transfer Period Information 2023/24](#) tab on the school district website 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 17, 2023.**
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 17th 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 (2023/2024)* school year. Building space and available staffing limit this process. A review of transfer requests will be completed before the end of May.



There is a virtual Grade 7 Information Night for parents prior to registration. Each high school will host a Grade 7 Orientation Day in May for incoming students once registration is complete.

Report Cards and Three Way Conferences

Yennadon is following the student inclusive conferencing model for reporting. This model involves the classroom teacher, the parent(s), and the child having an in-depth, meaningful discussion about the child's learning. We would like to thank you for your support as we continue to implement this reporting process. We have received feedback from many parents who have been very happy with this inclusive way to report on student progress.



Our next **Early Dismissal for conferences is Thursday, March 2nd** and our full day for **Three Way Conferences is on Friday, March 3rd**. Please mark your calendars.

Middle Year 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 Year 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 10th and March 3rd, 2023.**

For more information and to view the questionnaires:

<https://earlylearning.ubc.ca/monitoring-system/mdi/mdi-overview/>

Parent FAQs:

<https://earlylearning.ubc.ca/monitoring-system/mdi/parent-caregiver-info/>

If you don't want your child to participate, please contact your child's teacher, fill out the withdrawal form at the end of the parent/guardian informed passive consent letter (sent on the parent portal), or contact the MDI project staff at mdi@help.ubc.ca.



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.

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 28, 2023. 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!



Guidelines for Transferring Schools

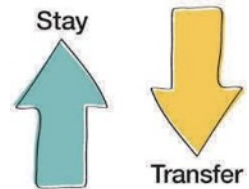
These guidelines apply to students who want to:

- 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](#).

Wheelhouse at Alouette Elementary

The Wheelhouse is a classroom where **grade 6 and 7 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.

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/>.

Please attend an online Information Session to find out all about The Wheelhouse.

ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION – Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Registration Link:

https://sd42.zoom.us/meeting/register/u50kcOggqTotGNVi399JkE_Ebum7YAb5lko6

Eligibility

District Wheelhouse is open to all SD42 students who will be in Grade 6 or 7 in September 2023. Students may begin the program in either Grade 6 or 7.

REGISTRATION for the District Wheelhouse Program at Alouette Elementary begins at **noon on February 15, 2023**. Registration occurs on the parent portal. All students registering for Wheelhouse must be in Grade 6 or 7 in September 2023.

***The Wheelhouse program runs out of Alouette Elementary
(22155 Isaac Crescent, Maple Ridge).***

Community News and Information

FAMILY SMART — CONNECT AND LEARN

Self Harm: There is Always Help, There is Always Hope

Learn with us! Hear Kim Leifso a clinical counsellor and Ciara, a young person with lived experience; talk about what they know and have experienced with self-harm. Come together with other families to watch this 30-minute video presentation followed by a facilitated discussion by a FamilySmart Parent Peer Support Worker.

Cost: Free of Charge Date(s):

- Monday January 9, 2023 (12-130pm)
- Thursday January 12, 2023 (5-630pm)
- Tuesday January 17, 2023 (630-8pm)
- Monday January 23, 2023 (630-8pm)
- Wednesday January 25, 2023 (930-11am)

Registration required: www.familysmart.ca/events

MEADOW RIDGE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Spring Flag Football

Ages 8 to 18

Registration starts February 1, 2023

Season: April - June

Practices are two weeknights 6pm – 8pm (Starting March)

Games (Jamborees) are on Saturdays

Required Gear: Cleats and Mouthguards

www.meadowridgeknights.com

email: mrkregistrar@gmail.com

MEADOW RIDGE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Fall Tackle Football

Ages 8 to 18

Fall Flag

Ages 5 - 7

Registration starting: March 15, 2023

Season: June - November

Practices are two weeknights 6pm – 8pm (Starting Last Tuesday in June)

Games are on Saturdays

Required Gear: Cleats (all other equipment provided)

www.meadowridgeknights.com

email: mrkregistrar@gmail.com

RIDGE MEADOWS MINOR BALL HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Registration is now open for the tykes program (5 to 6 year olds) and U8 to U21 Programs (7 to 21 year olds)

RMMBHA has been committed to offering an organized and affordable house youth ball hockey experience in the Pitt Meadows, Maple Ridge and Mission areas since 2003. Our league's volunteers strive to create an inclusive community with a focus on building a fun, competitive athletic atmosphere that helps all players learn and develop their ball hockey skills. We encourage sportsmanship and fair play, while instilling a passion for the game. RMMBHA is a co-ed league and we are always looking to expand the involvement of girls in our sport. Through BCBHA and CBHA there are opportunities to challenge our skilled, minor ball hockey

players in tournaments against other teams throughout BC, other provinces and at an international level.

These include:

- The Western Challenge Cup Tournament
- Team BC Ball Hockey Tournament
- The Worlds Ball Hockey Tournament

Register at RMMBHA.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.



FREE PROGRAM

STEP E

Parents and caregivers will learn developmentally appropriate parenting skills for children aged 0-6 years of age. Programming for children 0-6 is available.

JAN 30 - FEB 24
TUESDAY'S AND FRIDAY'S
1PM-3PM

Please note the location of the program is subject to change as per the BC Provincial Health guidelines regarding Covid-19.

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

THE FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPPORT CENTRE



Brave New You!

Are you missing the following in your life? If so, Brave New You is for you!

- ☑ Establishing healthy boundaries
- ☑ Healthy communication that works
- ☑ Understanding the role anger is playing in your life
- ☑ Discovering your core values

FEB 4 - MAR 4 (SAT)
9AM-2PM
\$90

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THE FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPPORT CENTRE

ANGER MONSTERS 8-12 YEARS

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.

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.

Date: Feb 4- Mar 4 (Sat)

Time: 330pm-530pm

Cost: \$90

price is for 1 child and 1 parent/guardian



READY, SET, PARENT

INFORMATION ZOOM SESSION

The Family Education & Support Centre and School District 42 would love to connect with you as you begin your new and exciting journey as a parent. Learn about locally offered free early years play opportunities and family services from infancy to 5 years! Join us for an information zoom session for expecting parents!

JANUARY 19
FEBRUARY 2
APRIL 6

REGISTER ONLINE:
<https://www.familyed.bc.ca>
(604) 467-6055

- Use link or QR Code
- Scroll to Parenting and Personal Growth Workshops
- Locate Ready, Set, Learn Series
- Register for Ready, Set, Parent





READY, SET, LEARN SERIES

READY, SET, SPROUT (BIRTH-18MONTHS) 3 SESSIONS

READY, SET, GROW (18MONTHS-36MONTHS) 3 SESSIONS

READY, SET PLAY (3YEARS-4 YEARS) 3 SESSIONS

The Family Education and Support Centre and School District 42 are offering Parent/Child PLAY and INFORMATION Sessions. Each session will provide families with activities they can continue to do at home, age-appropriate developmental information, a take-home toy or book and resource connections within the community.

Early Years Centre @ Webster's Corner Elementary

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