

McNeely Bulletin

Always remember at McNeely, we care about each other, we care about ourselves and we care about this place.



Proud To Wear Pink

We had a school-wide Family Teams event this Wednesday on Pink Shirt Day. Each student created a shirt- as seen above. Some great messages included: “Be an upstander, not a bystander” and “Be a hero for others”. Another message was “pink is for everyone”.

Quick Hits:

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FIRST PEOPLES PRINCIPLES OF LEARNING

Learning requires exploration of one’s identity

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100TH DAY

February 28th is the 100th day of school this year. Several of our primary classes will be celebrating

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CONFERENCES

It was great to see so many families in the building last week for the learning updates/ conferences

DARE Grad

Our Grade 5 students will be celebrating their learning at an assembly on March 7

Breakfast Club Dates in March

March 1,3,8,10 All Breakfast Club dates start at 8am.

Cambie Feeder Basketball Tournament

March 9 for all players; at Cambie

Report Cards Home- March 9

Last Day of Term- March 10

School Reopens- March 27



Kindness Ninjas



Recently some students in a class that will remain a mystery (unless you look at the photo very carefully and zoom in) have been attacking the school with KINDNESS. These Kindness Ninjas jump out when you least expect them by spreading bits of joy with flowers, posters and treats all over the school. How do you spot a Kindness Ninja? Well, sometimes they wear a headband. But other times, you just don't know, they could be anywhere. Thank you Ninjas, whoever you are! Keep up the good work. I hope your kind deeds spark ideas in others to spread kindness too!

Artwork Around McNeely.



Here are some highlights from artwork you'll find on the McNeely walls.

JumpStart/Kidsport Grants Available

Did you know that there are grants available if you are hoping to put your child(ren) into community sports? With sport getting more expensive, not all families have equal access to sport. There are opportunities available to receive money from grants for families that need financial assistance for their children to participate in a sport or physical activity. Programs like these aim to help all families access a range of activities, from bowling to skating to skiing, and more.

One grant is available through Canadian Tire/ JumpStart: <https://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/pages/individual-child-grants>

Another is through KidSport Richmond: <https://kidsportcanada.ca/british-columbia/richmond/>

You may need to bring the form into the office and we will sign it for you.

“Stranger Things”?

Many parents ask what is appropriate for their children to watch on TV. With media so close at hand watching can be so easy to do but we need to be careful about what shows we pick. We feel that there are lots of shows out there that make for good family watching and some that are not appropriate for elementary school aged children.

A couple of shows that we have heard young students watching that have scary content in them are 1) “**Stranger Things**” and 2) “**Wednesday**”. Some students then bring their “scared” feelings to school and often share with their classmates, thereby affecting students that aren’t even watching the show.

Please take a look at these rating guides from **Common Sense Media** for these shows- It is a good place to search to see what the content of a show is before you let your children watch. Both of these shows feature death. A topic that young students struggle to understand.

“Stranger Things”- 14+ Only

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/tv-reviews/stranger-things>

“Wednesday”- 11 + only

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/tv-reviews/wednesday>

Basketball Updates.

Our Girls team has played several successful games against Kingswood, Talmey and Tait. Our grade 7 boys team had an exciting overtime game that ended in a tie against Hamilton and played a really close game against Mitchell. The grade 6 boys team won a game 45-39 against Tait. If you would like to come out to watch a game, please come with your parents to cheer on your Mustangs!



The grade 7 Cambie Feeder Basketball Tournament will be after school on March 9th.

PAC Section

Due to Spring Break, we will not be holding our next PAC meeting until Monday, April 3rd at 7:00pm. It will be an in-person meeting and will be held at the school in the staff room. Usually meetings last 1 hour. Child minding is available if you let the PAC know ahead of time. Please send Karina an email at mcneelypac@hotmail.com

