

McNeely Bulletin

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

Family Literacy Week

Make it count!
Play * Sort * Measure

January 22nd - 28th

Resources to support Numeracy at Home!

- Where does math live in our Community this winter?
- Are you looking for ways to build numeracy during everyday activities with your children??
- Are your older kids working on reading infographics? Discuss these from Stats Can!

Supporting Literacy at Home

Younger Children

- Read books and nursery rhymes aloud together in any language
- Talk daily about home and community life
- Sing, draw and tell stories
- Notice letters and words in the spaces

Older Children

- Play word games and point out new words
- Ask questions before, during or after reading
- Encourage and support different types of reading material
- Discuss events in the community and consider different opinions

Decoda Resources

"Literacy and numeracy are fundamental to all learning. While they are commonly associated with language learning and mathematics, literacy and numeracy are applied in all areas of learning."

Primary School DIARY

Literacy is the ability to understand, critically analyze, and create a variety of forms of communication, including oral, written, visual, digital, and multimedia, in order to accomplish one's goals.

Numeracy Is the ability to understand and apply mathematical concepts, processes, and skills to solve problems in a variety of contexts.

Why read with children at home?

Family Literacy Week

We would like to share that we are currently in the middle of Family Literacy Week. Attached is the above infographic as a PDF which has three clickable links in the blue section that can help you if you are looking to support your child with literacy (and numeracy) at home. Literacy and Numeracy are the pillars of learning for our students. More on that later in the newsletter.

Quick Hits:

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FIRST PEOPLES PRINCIPLES OF LEARNING

Learning involves recognizing the consequences of one's actions.

2

HOT LUNCHES

Sushi- Feb. 10th
Opa (Greek)- Feb. 24
WokBox- Mar. 10

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NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Please welcome Ms. Siu, Mr. Tsagaris and Ms. Reyna to the school as part of our growing resource team.

* Absent?

Please call the school at 604-668-6250 to leave a message

* Our School Bus

Did you know that our school bus driver's name is Ken? Please leave room for Ken to park the bus.

* Breakfast Club

Dates in February
February 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 22, 24. All Breakfast Club dates start at 8am.

Saleema Noon Parent Zoom Night- February 6 @ 6:30pm

Conferences-February 15 and 16. Note that Feb. 15th is an early dismissal day-school ends at noon.

Professional Day- February 17

Family Day- School Closed- February 20



What Is Numeracy?

We are approaching our Learning Update #2 (What used to be referred to as conferences). This will be happening on February 15th and 16th. We wanted to share that the foci of these Learning Updates in Richmond are Literacy and Numeracy. Additionally, students will share their reflection of their growth in one or more of the core competencies with their families. Please see the attached PDF titled, "What Is Numeracy For Families" for further information.

Family And Affordability Fund

This fund from the government was mentioned when it came out earlier in the year. We want to reach out again to all families that feel that they might need some support in paying for things at school like field trips, school supplies, shoes or equipment for playing on a sports team. Please know that there is money to support those types of items and money for food and nutritional supports for students. Please reach out to Mr. Rollins hrollins@sd38.bc.ca if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

McNeely Wear Donation

Do you have an old McNeely Wear shirt that is in good condition but is too small for your child? If so, please bring it in to donate to the box near the office (washed) and we will find another student that can use it.

Saleema Noon Body Science



Parents, please mark your calendars for Monday, February 6th at 6:30pm. There will be a Parents Workshop via Zoom. In this session an overview of the student presentations will be given. The team from Saleema Noon will be able to answer questions about what our students will be learning in their Body Science Workshops later in the week.

Zoom information: Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81201712752?pwd=a0VxN3UyZlY4WEIjTXdiZzdGR0R5QT09>

Meeting ID: 812 0171 2752
Passcode: 550227

Basketball Has Begun



Our students have been waiting patiently through COVID and cancellations to finally be able to play basketball together. It is happening and it is great to see. Games will begin in February and our season will culminate with the Cambie Feeder Tournament on March 9th. Here is a photo from practice this week. We are still looking for a few more players to join this team. Please see Mr. Rollins if you are interested.

Indoor Action Day

We had a fun Indoor Action Day. Please check out our Twitter Feed to see some action shots. [@mcneelyelem](#) is our “handle” on Twitter.

PAC Section

Our next PAC meeting will be on Monday, February 13th 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@Gmail.com

Trying Again: Winter Holiday Slideshow

We understand that many/all had difficulty viewing the slideshow that we linked to in our last bulletin. We apologize for that. Here it is with full access:

[Winter 22 School Vid.MOV](#)