



The Prowler

the news of the week

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Hadi, Bonjour and Hello,

We hope to see all of you tomorrow at one of the performances of "I Need a Little Christmas Vacation." Shows will be at 1:00 and 7:00. Here's a little hint – the afternoon show is a little less crowded. Lunch will be at 11:45 on Thursday so we can get ready for you. I think you will be very impressed with our students this year. They have been working hard and can't wait to show off for you! Students should all be at school by 6:30 on Thursday evening.

Thank you for your support of Sprit of Healthy Kids. We have submitted all the forms we received. We are excited to find out the results. I am sure that any of the 6 schools are very worthy recipients of the \$5,000.

Please check out the info in this newsletter about the possibility of a Japanese teacher at McLeod starting in the Spring. We've had three Japanese teachers at our school in the past and it's always been a wonderful experience. We are looking for host families before we can take the next step to invite a teacher. Please let me know if you are interested in hosting for some or part of a year.

On Friday our PAC and staff will be sitting down to enjoy a Turkey dinner with our wonderful students. Thank you so much to our PAC for sponsoring and helping out at the dinner, to our hard-working kitchen staff for making the yummy food, to Mrs. Weaver for teaching our kids all about good table manners and to Mrs. Wiebe and Mrs. Harper for getting it all organized. We are blessed with such a wonderful and generous team.

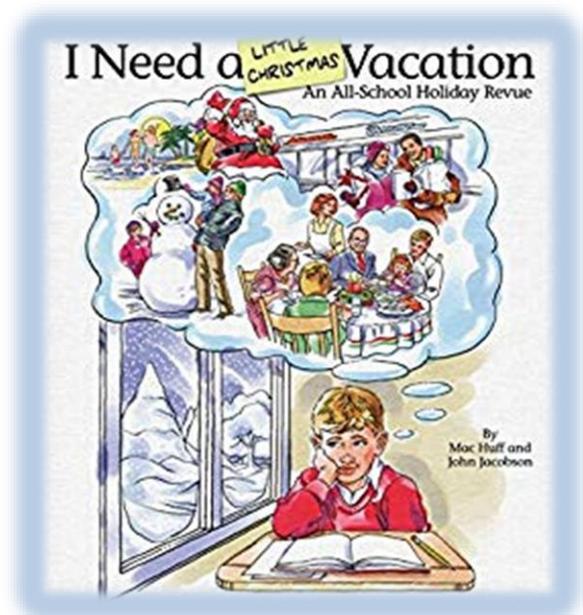
It is our goal to work together with you and the kids to help McLeod students USE THEIR HEADS AND THEIR HEARTS to be the children and adults who can

take on the world. Please feel free to contact the school if you ever have any questions or concerns. We are in this together!

From our McLeod family to yours, I want to wish the very best holiday season. No matter how you honour the break, I hope it brings you joy. See you in January.

Proud to be McLeod

Ms. L. Hart



**Please join us for our
McLeod Christmas
Concert 2019**

**at 1:00 and 7:00 on
Thursday, December 19th**

Coming Soon:

Dec 19: Christmas Concert 1:00 and 7:00
(Students please arrive by 6:30)

Dec 20: Turkey Dinner

Dec 23 - Jan 3: Winter Break
NO SCHOOL

Jan 6: Back to school! Happy 2020!

NEW!

Crosswalk lights at the pedestrian crossings on main street at Douglas St and Columbia St. Press the button at the corner to turn on the light and let vehicles know you're crossing.

If you would like to help save paper and be added to our Newsletter email list, please send your email address to

lbailey@sd91.bc.ca

An important message from Batman regarding this time of year:



To our Saik'uz families

The bus will be running to bring students and families to our Christmas concert, we can't wait to see you there!



Thanks for remembering
this is a



Peanut/Nut
Free School

Child Care in B.C. - Public Survey

As part of our on-going efforts to ensure Childcare BC is meeting the needs of families, you will be asked about your familiarity and experience with existing Childcare BC programs, how you find out about and secure child care, and your opinions on issues that may inform future programs and services.

Please visit sd91.bc.ca or the school website to find the link to the survey

**THE MIDDLE YEARS DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT (MDI) IS COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL IN
JANUARY/FEBRUARY!**

School District 91 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 & 7 students are invited to complete the MDI during class time between:
January 15th and February 21st, 2020.

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, fill out the withdrawal form at the end of the parent/guardian informed passive consent letter, or contact the MDI project staff at mdi@help.ubc.ca.



"As winter sets in we would just like to remind parents of Kindergarten, Grade one, and Grade two, that ride our school buses, that there must be someone at the bus stop to meet the students. We do not drop these students off if no one is there to meet them. We do this for the safety of these students. If parents would like these students dropped off without someone there to meet them, they need to contact the bus garage in their area."
Vanderhoof: 250-567-9618 ext. 1



Check out our McLeod website
<http://wlm.sd91.bc.ca/>



Let's all use our WITS at home and at school

Our Lost & Found is getting very full!

Please come and take a look to see if any of the items belong to your family 😊

Please have all items you'd like to add to the newsletter to Mrs. Bailey by **noon** on Tuesday's. Any submissions after noon will be put in the following week's newsletter. Please email lbailey@sd91.bc.ca

Thank you

Important notice!



*If you are making new or alternate bus arrangements for your child(ren), you **must** contact the bus garage at **250-567-9618 ext. 1** before 1:30pm on the day of the change.*

Due to buses being at full capacity at the present time, we are unable to accommodate courtesy riders.



CONTACTING ME

Each year I ask parents to connect with me by text. I have great plans to be able send you all pictures of your kids doing great things around the school.

Turns out, I need to carry my phone around more to get that done. 😊 That being said, I really do like to be able to contact parents by text when needed. Please send me a text at 250-567-8539 so I can add you to my contacts.

We are thrilled to have an opportunity to welcome a volunteer Japanese “cultural ambassador in-residence” back to McLeod to introduce the culture, customs and language of Japan to our students. The program is a unique cross-cultural experience for McLeod that provides our students with first-hand exposure to the diversity of world cultures. Our possible Japanese teacher is Haruka.

The Opportunity

- International Internship Programs (IIP) is a Tokyo-based international exchange organization that has placed Asian teaching assistants in leading schools across Canada and the U.S for more than 30 years. To date, more than 3,000 schools have hosted a Japanese teaching assistant, enriching their students’ lives.
- Cross-Cultural Exchange: The program provides our students with a unique opportunity to gain first-hand cross-cultural experience, one that sparks a stronger connection with other countries and the world around us. Our Japanese cultural ambassador will volunteer her time, energy and expertise, support our staff, and enable our students to learn about Japan, Asia and ways of life different from their own.
- Timing: Haruka would arrive this coming April, travel during the summer, and return to us in the fall to volunteer through the following March.

Host Family

- In order to bring this wonderful opportunity back to our McLeod community, we need to identify one or more host families who would enjoy hosting our Japanese teaching assistant.
- Hosting creates a rich, memorable opportunity to experience cultural exchange within your home, learn about Japanese traditions, and make a lifelong friend in Japan.
- Haruka will contribute a stipend of \$400/mo. to her host family.

If we can find one or more host families, we can have Haruka enrich our students with the culture, customs and language of Japan and support our staff.

Please let Ms. Hart know if you are interested in this great experience.

Proud to be McLeod Christmas Concert... ★

December 19 - 1pm & 7pm ★

"I Need a Little Christmas Vacation"



YES, I'd like to purchase a copy of the 2019 WL McLeod Christmas Concert "I Need a Little Christmas Vacation".

This year we will send a LINK via email for a digital copy of the concert (no DVDs).
\$5 per email address to send the link to.

Email: _____ (add more emails on the back) TOTAL \$ _____

Student: _____ Teacher: _____

Please include payment with this order form! Send money and form to school by Thursday, December 19. Links will be sent out before Christmas! This is a PAC Fundraiser. Thank you for your support!

WINTER FUN!



JANUARY 2020 MENU



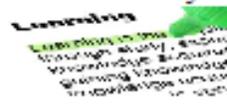
Each meal is 5.00 (reg). or 6.00 (lg).

PLEASE PRE-ORDER AND PRE-PAY

*Pre-paid & pre-ordered meals of more than 10/mth receive a discounted rate of \$4.50/meal

Student's name _____ Teacher _____ \$ _____

If your child regularly receives a Hot Lunch, please check the menu for meals that they can not or will not eat. Please provide a lunch for your child on those days. Thank you

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1  School Not in Session 	2  School Not in Session	3  School Not in Session
6 <i>Welcome Back!</i>  Spaghetti 	7 Salad Bar + Drum Sticks 	8 Pancakes 	9 Salad Bar + Cream of Broccoli Soup  <i>Gr. 3 Ski School (Cross Country)</i> 	10 Salad Bar + Macaroni & Cheese  <i>Murray Ridge Ski Day (Leclerc, Reimer, Wruth & Hancock)</i> 
13 Hamburger Stew 	14 Salad Bar + Pierogi Casserole 	15 French Toast 	16 Salad Bar + Beef Barley Soup  <i>Gr. 3 Ski School (Cross Country)</i> 	17 Salad Bar + Turkey Casserole  <i>Murray Ridge Ski Day (Kuoppala, Meads, Kadonaga & Vienneau)</i> 
20 Enchiladas 	21 Salad Bar + Chicken Strips 	22 Sausage & Eggs 	23 Salad Bar + Turkey Rice Soup  <i>Gr. 3 Ski School (Cross Country)</i> 	24 Salad Bar + Sloppy Joes 
27 Curriculum Day 	28 Salad Bar + Frittata 	29 Crepes 	30 Salad Bar + Quesadilla  <i>Gr. 3 Ski School (Cross Country)</i> 	31 Salad Bar + Baked Beans  2:00 ♥ Heart Groups Beach Day 