



The Prowler

the news of the week
les nouvelles de la semaine



March 10, 2021

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Hadi, Bonjour and Hello,

I want to say a huge thank you to our grade 4 students who finished the five Foundation Skills Assessments last week. I was so impressed with their hard work, tenacity, and positive attitudes. It is so exciting that most said the FSA was actually fun! They truly showed off everything in their amazing brains.

I hope you all received your child's report card on Friday. I also hope you use it as a chance to talk about learning and setting goals for term 3. On Tuesday, March 16th, students will be dismissed at 12:00 and our teachers will be available for phone discussions between 1:00 and 5:00. I encourage you to phone Ms. Lindsay at the school to make a 15-minute appointment. We will ask your name, your child's name and the best contact number for the teacher to call you. If you feel an in-person meeting is necessary, we ask that you let Ms. Lindsay know and your child's teacher will contact you directly to organize this.

Thank you for doing the Daily Health Check with your children each day.

We continue to work together with you and the kids to help our McLeod students become 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'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER!**

Proud to be McLeod

Ms. L. Hart

COMING SOON:

Mar 15: Kindergarten Registration Opens

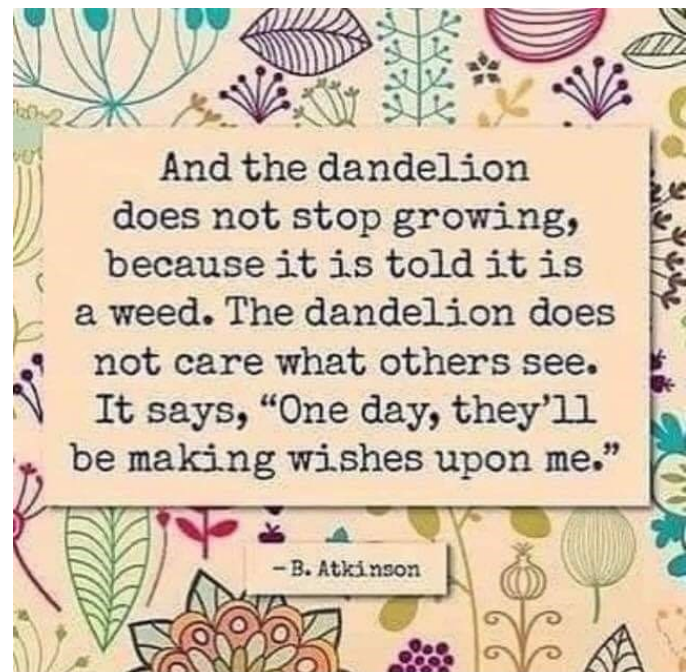
Mar 16: **Early Dismissal—Noon**

Student-Led Conferences

Mar 17: **Crazy Green Backward Day**

Mar 19: Hat Day

Mar 22—Apr 6: **SPRING BREAK—No School**



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



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

Thank you



Please **DO NOT** use the staff parking lot (the lot by the EBUS entrance) to drop off or pick-up students. Students **MUST NOT** be walking through this parking lot at any time. Drop off angle parking is available on Damon Square (behind the strip mall). Thank you for your help to keep our kids safe.

Students and adults **MUST NOT** be running between busses across Victoria St. Please use the crosswalk.

T-Shirt Tuesdays



Please wear your McLeod wardrobe every Tuesday. It's a great way to show your school spirit and earn points for your house team. Anything McLeod works. We love homemade stuff too!

Our school goals are that our McLeod students will be:

1. Literate as evidenced by grade 3 students meeting grade level expectations in reading in PM Benchmarks/GB+.
2. Socially Responsible Citizens as monitored through the School Learning Survey.
3. Numerate as evidenced by grade 3 students meeting grade level expectations on the DNA.



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



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.

~Ms. Hart

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

lswanson@sd91.bc.ca

Attention Parents!

The Farm to School growing season is fast upon us. For any parents that are interested in getting involved with the Farm to School program at McLeod (you don't need to know anything about gardening to get involved), we will be meeting on April 12 at 6pm to start planning for the year. Please mark your calendar! Also, 'Like' our McLeod Farm to School page to learn more about the program and to find the link for the April 12 meeting.

<https://www.facebook.com/WLMcLeodPacFarmToSchoolProgram>



School Board Meeting

Monday, March 15, 2021

6:00 pm

Meeting will be held Virtually

Public Attendance Notice:

***Due to current public health and safety requirements, we are requesting that members of the public interested in attending this meeting, contact Tracy Austin at taustin@sd91.bc.ca or 250-567-2284 prior to the meeting.

Upcoming Board Meetings:

April 19, 2021

May 17, 2021



Thanks for remembering
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HONOURING DIVERSITY SPEAKER SERIES 2021

We are pleased to have so many excellent speakers join us for our 2021 Honouring Diversity Speaker Series. Our speakers have consented to us recording and sharing their presentations as long as we have restricted the videos by password. If you would like to access any of our Speaker Series recordings, please email speakerseries@sd91.bc.ca and you will be provided a link and a password.

Please know that it takes nearly a week from the event date for us to receive the recording from Microsoft TEAMS, convert it into a viewable video format and load to our YouTube channel.

Please don't forget to do the Daily Health Check each morning. We are very grateful to all our families who are working with us to follow the COVID-19 guidelines. You can do your health check through the app (BC K-12 Daily Health Checker) or this website:

[https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?
execution=e1s1](https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?execution=e1s1)

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE NEWS

At the Board meeting on Monday, February 22, 2021, the following policy was given first reading:

200.1 – Statement of Guiding Principles for the Board of Education

Please visit <https://www.sd91.bc.ca/apps/pages/policies-and-regulations> to view the draft policy and regulation. Please click on the “feedback” link located above the list of policies to send your comments via email. The closing date for comments is March 10, 2021.



Public Consultation

New DRAFT 2023/2024 School Calendar

We have revised our draft 2023-2024 School Calendar based on feedback received to date. Final three-year calendar submissions are due to the Ministry of Education by March 31, 2021, and therefore our Board will be making a decision on this calendar at the Board meeting on March 15, 2021. Please visit www.sd91.bc.ca to view the draft calendar or click on the link below. Please submit any feedback by Wednesday, March 10, 2021.

<https://www.sd91.bc.ca/apps/pages/school-calendar>

Spring is coming!

Daily Health Check			
1. Key Symptoms of Illness*	Do you have any of the following key symptoms?	CIRCLE ONE	
	Fever	YES	NO
	Chills	YES	NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
	Diarrhea	YES	NO
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
2. International Travel	Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
3. Confirmed Contact	Are you a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	YES	NO

If you answered “YES” to one of the questions included under ‘Key Symptoms of Illness’ (excluding fever), your child should stay home for 24 hours from when the symptom started. If the symptom improves, your child may return to school when they feel well enough. If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a health assessment.

If you answered “YES” to two or more of the questions included under ‘Symptoms of Illness’ or your child has a fever, seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, your child should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and symptoms have improved.

When a COVID-19 test is recommended by the health assessment:

- ☐ If the COVID-19 test is positive, your child should stay home until you are told by public health to end self-isolation. In most cases this is 10 days after the onset of symptoms. Public health will contact everyone with a positive test.
- ☐ If the COVID-19 test is negative, your child can return to school once symptoms have improved and they feel well enough. Symptoms of common respiratory illnesses can persist for a week or more. Re-testing is not needed unless you develop a new illness.
- ☐ If a COVID-19 test is recommended but is not done because you choose not to have the test, or you do not seek a health assessment when recommended, and symptoms are not related to a previously diagnosed health condition, your child should stay home from school until 10 days after the onset of symptoms, and then they may return if they are feeling well enough.

If a COVID-19 test is not recommended by the health assessment, your child can return to school when symptoms improve, and they feel well enough. Testing may not be recommended if the assessment determines that the symptoms are due to another cause (i.e. not COVID-19).

If you answered “YES” to questions 2 or 3, use the COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool to determine if you should seek testing for COVID19.

A health-care provider note (i.e. a doctor’s note) is not required to confirm the health status of any individual.



Honouring Diversity Speaker Series



2021

Welcomes

Dr. Nancy Doda

March 16 @ 5pm

Microsoft TEAMS

Nancy has been a critical friend to middle year school programs around the globe and to SD 91 educators for several years. Please join us in hearing this outstanding middle years education expert share with us the power of the 'wonder years', Nancy's description of that special age of development from grades 6 - 9.

Nancy will be joined by a panel of SD 91 parent and student representatives. If you have specific questions that you would like Nancy to address, please send them to info@sd91.bc.ca

Registering for this speaker series at honouringdiversity8.com will provide you:

- updates on the Speaker Series
- updates and access to HD 8 course updates
- access to video from the speaker series



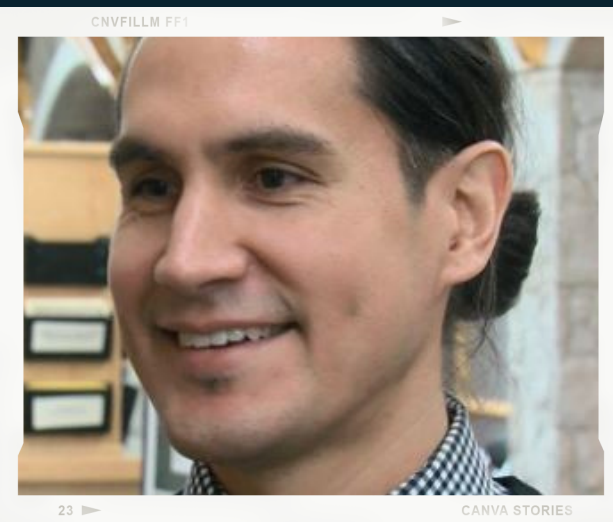


Kevin Lamoureux ~ March 2 @ 5 pm

Kevin is a Faculty member at the University of Winnipeg and a well known public speaker. He has served as Associate Vice President for the University of Winnipeg, Education Lead for the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, and as Scholar in Residence for several school divisions.

Dr. Nancy Doda ~ March 16 @ 5 pm

Nancy is a globally recognized expert & advocate for Middle Years education. She has helped to coach Middle Year teachers globally and has been a critical friend to SD 91 middle year educators. Nancy will be speaking twice during this series to help provide concluding remarks to the series..



Dr. Dustin Louie ~ April 13 @ 5 pm

Dustin is from Nee Tahi Buhn and Nadleh Whut'en First Nations and is a member of the Beaver Clan. He is an Assistant Professor at the University of Calgary's Werklund School of Education, teaching courses related to Indigenous education, social justice and educational philosophy.

Dr. Leyton Schnellert ~ April 20 @ 5 pm

Leyton is an Associate Professor at UBC's School of Education and the Eleanor Rix Professor of Rural Teacher Education. His scholarship attends to how teachers and teaching and learners and learning can mindfully embrace student diversity and inclusive education. Dr Schnellert is also the co-chair of BC's Rural Education Advisory.



Shelley Moore ~ May 6 @ 5 pm

Originally from Edmonton, Alberta, and now based in Vancouver, British Columbia, Shelley is a highly sought-after teacher, researcher, speaker, and storyteller and has worked with school districts and community organizations throughout both Canada and the United States.



You're Invited to:

HONOURING DIVERSITY SPEAKER SERIES 2021

Each of these events will be on Microsoft TEAMS with links shared on our websites and social media feeds. Each of our guest speakers will be joined by a six member panel consisting of four high school students and two parents who will engage the speaker with questions and dialogue.



MARCH 2021 MENU

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

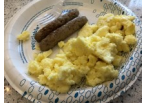
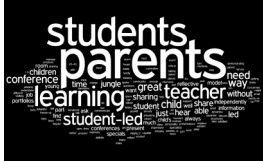
PLEASE PRE-ORDER AND PRE-PAY



*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 Baked Spaghetti 	2 Crepes & Ham 	3 Ham & Cheese Frittata 	4 Pork Roast & Mashed Potatoes 	5 Chicken Ranch Wrap Report Cards HOME 
8 Pizza Bagels 	9 Sausage & Eggs 	10 Perogy Casserole 	11 Hamburgers 	12 Mac & Cheese 
15 Roast Chicken & Fried Rice  Kindergarten Registration Week 	16 12:00 Dismissal Student-Led Conferences 	17 Ham & Cheese Wrap  Crazy, Green Backwards Day 	18 Chicken Strips 	19 Filipino Pork Steak  Hat Day 
22  (No School)	23  (No School)	24  (No School)	25  (No School)	26  (No School)
29  (No School)	30  (No School)	31  (No School)		