



The Prowler

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Hadi, Bonjour and Hello,

Welcome back everyone and Happy Spring! I hope you had a wonderful break and we are excited to get the last part of the 2020-2021 year started. I am just thrilled that everyone is in the building this Spring.

As I am sure you are aware, there are new guidelines in place for grade 4 to 6 students to wear masks at school. Please check out the message from our Superintendent, Manu Madhok, about the details. Please never hesitate to connect with me if you have any questions or concerns.

It is time to put our grade 4 students and their families to work. We would love your feedback on the Student Learning Survey. This is a Ministry of Education electronic anonymous satisfaction survey. McLeod uses summary information from this survey in our School Plan to help us track aspects of Social Responsibility. Our grade 4 students will complete the survey at school, and we hope parents of grade 4 students will do it online at home (or come into the school to use a computer). We are going to have a little friendly competition between our grade 4 classes - Mme Leclerc, Mr. Corcoran, the Lawrence team, and Mme Vienneau's classes. The goal is to complete as many Student Learning Surveys as possible. The class that has the most parent completions will get donuts and the other classes will get Timbits. Either way, we truly appreciate your feedback about McLeod as it helps us to get better and better. Grade 4 parents/caregivers will receive a letter with all the details.

This is a friendly little reminder that a Daily Health Check must be completed for each student every day. Thank you for your help to keep us all safe.

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:

April 12: PAC Meeting—5:00

April 23: Pro-D Day—No School for Students



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>



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>



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



Thanks for remembering
this is a



Peanut/Nut
Free School

A MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT

Dear SD 91 Parents and Guardians,

On March 29th, Dr. Bonnie Henry announced increased measures to keep British Columbians safe. As part of those measures, Dr. Henry announced an expanded mask mandate which now requires students in grades 4 to 12 to wear a non-medical mask or face covering while indoors and on school buses, both within and outside of their learning group. Students in grades K -3 are encouraged to wear a mask indoors and on school buses but are not required to do so.

For our elementary students this will be a new expectation and our teachers will spend the first few days following Easter Monday to help students adjust to this change. We suggest that you send your child to school in a clean mask and with a spare that they are used to wearing. Schools will have disposable masks available if students forget their mask. Please click the following links for a video and poster containing a reminder of how to wear a face mask.

Students will be able to remove their masks while outside, including at recess, lunchtime and while learning outside. As the weather improves, teachers will continue to look for opportunities to move their classes outside.

How to wear a mask video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qvLA--hGU70...>

How to wear a mask poster: http://www.bccdc.ca/.../COVID19_SurgicalMaskPoster.pdf



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.

Vanderhoof Community Pitch-In

Saturday, April 24th

Register for your route via Facebook
or email nechakowri@gmail.com



How will it happen this year?

1. Register for your route through Facebook or email
2. On April 24, pick up your bags at one of the locations listed below
3. Help clean up our community!
4. Bring bags back to the location you picked up bags from and leave the full bags beside a garbage can for pick up

Bags will be placed at:

- ❖ *Riverside Park*
- ❖ *Ferland Park*
- ❖ *NVSS South Parking Lot*
- ❖ *Bradley Park*
- ❖ *Leiding Park*
- ❖ *Vanderview Park*

*****Please bring your own gloves*****

In Partnership with:

- **Nechako Waste Reduction Initiative**
- **District of Vanderhoof**
- **Pitch-In Canada**





APRIL 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  (No School)	2  GOOD FRIDAY (No School)
5 EASTER MONDAY (No School) 	6 Pancakes & Sausages 	7 Roast Chicken 	8 Taco Salad 	9 Chicken Caesar Wrap 
12 Spaghetti 	13 Crepes & Ham 	14 Ham & Cheese Bun 	15 Chicken Strips 	16 Turkey Sub 
19 Pizza Bagels  5:00pm PAC Meeting	20 Sausage & Eggs 	21 Perogy Casserole 	22 Enchiladas 	23 PRO-D DAY 
26 Grilled Cheese Sandwich & Tomato Soup 	27 French Toast 	28 Lasagna 	29 Chicken Alfredo 	30 Sweet & Sour Meatballs w/ rice 