

The Prowler

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Hadi, Bonjour and Hello,

I hope you had a beautiful Share the Love Day. At McLeod we honoured kindness, caring and inclusion with an address by our superintendent Karla Mitchell, reading

picture books about kindness and community, making a kindness pledge, and celebrating through art. If you would like to view Ms. Mitchell's address, you can find it at: https://www.dropbox.com/s/v4konl5g3ix4u1m/Elementary%20Share%20the%20Love.mov?dl=0

We are still looking for a place to stay for our French Monitor from France who will be joining us for the year beginning in September 2023. We are looking for an apartment, shared accommodation, or room and/or board. Please let me know if you know of any possibilities or if you might be able to host Yacine yourself. Renumeration for hosting is negotiable. This is a great experience for a family who might be willing to welcome him into your home for the year.

Jump Rope for Heart is this Friday. Our kids are jumping hard! Have you made your donation to the Heart and Stroke Foundation yet? It's super easy to do. Just go to their website and make sure you use the drop down to identify W. L. McLeod as the participating school. You can also support by purchasing a cookie for \$2 on Friday. See the note on this page. Our goal is \$3,000. We've done it before. Let's do it again!

A special message to Shrek families. I have sent a few e-mails to our Shrek listserv with links to the videos of the first three shows (thanks Michelle Roberge!). If you need the videos a different way please just connect with me and we will figure it out.

Remember, our theme this year is "Me, You and Us!" It is our goal to work together with you and the kids to help our McLeod students become adults who can take on the world. Please feel free to contact the school if you ever have any questions or concerns.

Proud to be McLeod Ms. L. Hart

COMING SOON:

May 19: Jump Rope for Heart May 22: Victoria Day—No School

May 25: Primary Fun Run May 31: Track and Field

The hard copy of the newsletter only includes page 1 and the hot lunch menu. To access the rest of the newsletter, please contact us to be added to the email list. lswanson@sd91.bc.ca

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MAY 2023 MENU

Each meal is \$5.00 (reg) or \$4.50 for 10 or more meals/month Please Pre-Order and Pre-pay

Student's Name: Teacher:				
Total Amount:				
If your child regularly receives a Hot Lunch, please check the menu for meals that they cannot or will not eat. Please provide a lunch for your child on those days. Thank you! Cheques should be made payable to SD91				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Pizza Bagels	2 Crepes	3 Meatloaf 5:00 PAC Meeting	4 Roast Beef	5 Breaded Chicken Wrap
8 Chicken Strips	9 Pancakes	10 Perogy Casserole	11 Snack Plate	PRO-D DAY
15 Pizza Sub	16 Sausage and Eggs	17 Chicken Ranch Wrap Share The Love Day	18 Chow Mien & Spring Rolls	19 Baked Spaghetti
VICTORIA DAY	23 French Toast	24 Ham & Cheese Buns	25 Taco Wrap Primary Fun Run	26 Caramel Chicken
29 Beef Stew	30 Baked Omelet	31 Pulled Pork Sandwich Intermediate Track and Field		



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

On May 19th W.L McLeod will be hosting a Jump Rope for Heart event!

Throughout this month we are building awareness for healthy living. Students are encouraged to help fundraise for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. All fund raising is done online at jumproprforheart.ca. Just follow the instructions found on the attachment to register your child and begin fundraising. Our school goal is to raise \$3000. So far, we have raised \$200, and we would love to have your support. When registering your child and joining the school online and you need to search the school type in W (space) L (space) McLeod Elementary. The school's name should pop up. Complete the registration and then you will be able to start fundraising.

There will also be a cookie sale on May 19th to help fundraising for the Heart & Stroke Foundation. Heart shaped cookies will be available for \$2 each.

Students are building their skipping skills during PE classes and during recess times. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Nemethy by phoning the school or emailing her at wnemethy@sd91.bc.ca.





'Registration is now open for the 2023 Summer Season! We offer full and 1/2 summer registration packages. Summer registration fees includes all practices, fun events, BCSSA annual fees, and swim meet entries! Please see our website below for more information and join our FB page: Nechako Valley Swim Club. Join the fun!

Nechako Valley Swim Club Website/Registration







To all parents,

In an effort to keep all of our children safe online it is recommended parents of children, who have access to the internet, visit cybertip.ca

Cybertip.ca, Canada's national tipline for reporting the online sexual exploitation of children, is currently issuing a warning regarding the social networking app *Discord*. Cybertip.ca states children using Discord are at risk for being lured, groomed, and are vulnerable to online violence.

It is recommended that children always be monitored when engaging in online activities.

Debbie Scott,

SD91 District Counsellor



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

Dear families and supporters of McLeod,

Thank you for your generous donations to the community garden, and our Farm to School program!

We now have an abundance of tomato plants, potatoes, squash, onions, and various other plants.

Proud to be McLeod,

Mr. Reimer

Thank you for
supporting our
supporting program!



McLeod is

NOT FREE.



No peanuts, Brazil nuts and hazelnuts (including peanut butter and Nutella)
PLEASE

Kennedy's Curious Kiddos

Did you know???

Mx. Kennedy has some eggsellent farm fresh eggs for sale!

The eggs are \$5/doz.

She also has some hatching fowl!

- Chicks are \$10
- Ducklings are \$20

100% of sales will be donated to Mx. Kennedy's Curious Kiddos and their classroom's cooking program! Please contact Mx. Kennedy at akennedy@sd91.bc.ca or text 250-570-9831 if you'd like weekly eggs or some chicks.

You can also pop into the office and we can grab you a dozen or two!

Thank you for helping us help the kids in their cooking endeavors!









Superintendent's Report to the Board

Superintendent Karla Mitchell presented her monthly report at the Regular School Board Meeting on May 15, 2023.

Please click this link to view the report or find it under the Latest News heading at www.sd91.bc.ca.



Delivery Date: May 31st

W.L. McLeod PAC will notify you when it is time to pickup





Proposed Policy Updates

The School District 91 Policy Committee is currently working on updates to Policy 200.2 – Trustee Standards of Conduct.

Members of the public are welcome to review and encouraged to provide feedback here or on the 'Policies and Regulations' page at www.sd91.bc.ca.

Please have all after-school messages to the office by 2:45 to ensure that we have time to get the message to the students.

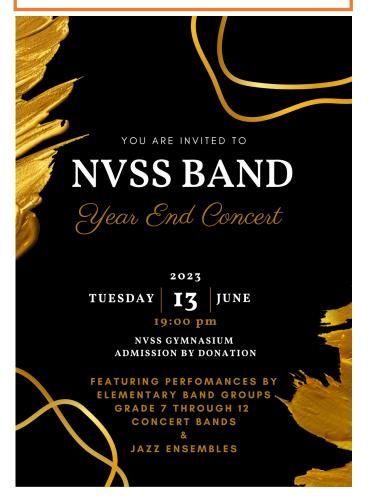
Thanks!

Lindsay



Thank you for keeping McLeod scent free (including essential oils).
We appreciate your support for our students

All band students should have received a letter from Mr. Larden regarding what you will need for the concert. If you have not received this letter, please connect with Mr. Larden ASAP.



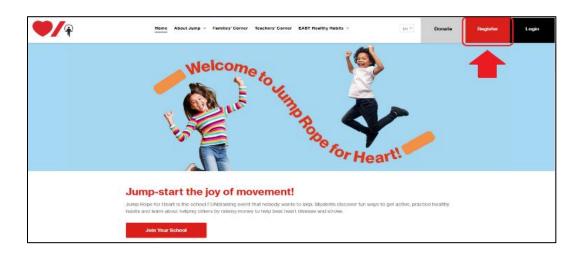




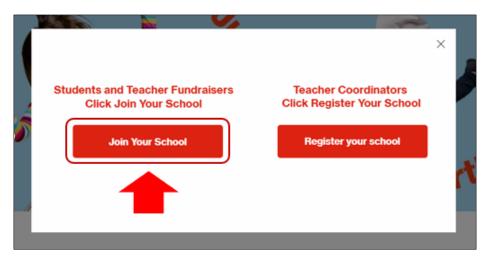
Registering your Child for Jump Rope for Heart

Online fundraising allows you to easily raise funds and share life-saving information with your friends and family. Here's how to get started:

1. Go to www.jumpropeforheart.ca and click on the "Register" button at the top right.



2. When prompted, click the "Join Your School" button.

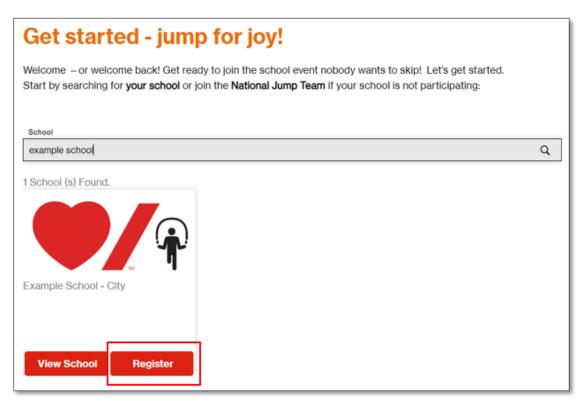




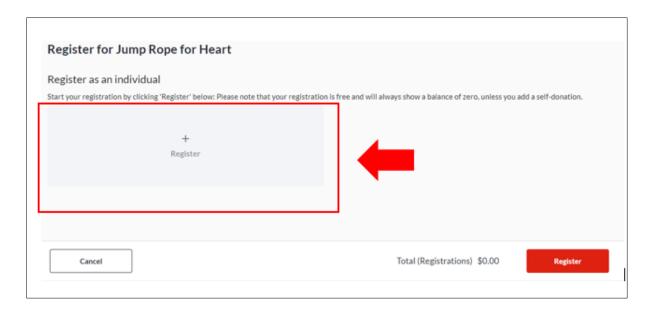


Search for your school. Once found, click "Register".

Tip: If you cannot find your school, remove an accent or punctuation. For example: change École to Ecole or St.to St



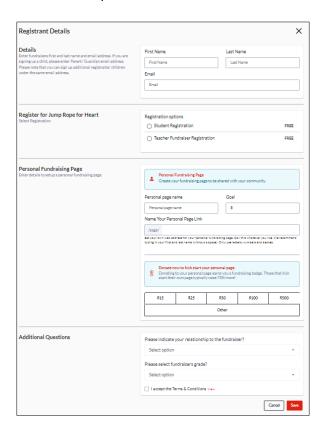
4. Select the large, grey, rectangular button that says "+ Register".



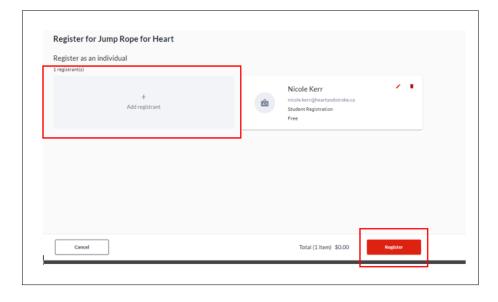




5. Complete the "**Registrant Details**" and click the red "**Save**" button. If you would like to kick-start your child's fundraising and donate, this is now the spot to do so.



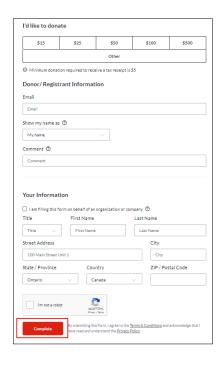
6. If you would like to register a second child, select the large, grey rectangular button that says, "+ Add registrant" and complete the registrant details for your second child (and if you'd like to donate to kick start your child's fundraising, the Registrant Details page is the spot to do so). If not, select the red "Register" button to proceed to the next step.



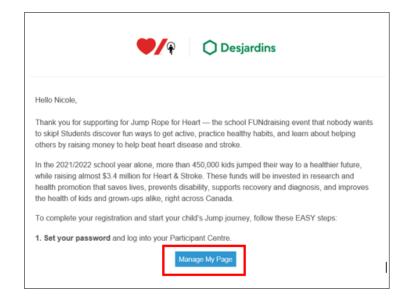




7. Then complete the **Your Information** section and select the "Complete" button to finish your registration!



8. Once you click **Complete** an email will be sent to your inbox with the subject line "**Thanks for joining Jump Rope for Heart!**". Within the email, there will be a blue "**Manage My Page**" button that you can click to set up your password. Your username will be your email.







9. You will be prompted to create a password for your Jump Rope for Heart account*. Please record your password for future use.

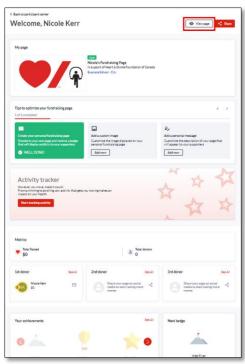


*Please note you may receive a prompt asking you to sign in, this is because Heart & Stroke uses the same fundraising platform (CrowdChange) as several other major Canadian charities with which you may have already created an account. If you receive a prompt to sign in, enter your email and password or if you do not have your password, click "Reset Password".



This will initiate an email to your inbox to set a new password. Once reset, return to the original email from Jump Rope for Heart, click "Manage Fundraiser", enter your email and your newly created password, and click "Sign in".

10. Once you are logged in, you will be taken to the dashboard of your child's **Participant Center**. Here you can update your child's fundraising page with a photo and personalized message. You can view your child's fundraising page to see what friends and family would see when visiting the page by clicking the "**View Page**" button on the top right corner.





Trustee Standards of Conduct

Policy No. 200.2

The *School Act* states that the rights, powers, duties, and liabilities of the Board rest only with the legally constituted Board as a whole, not with committees of the Board or with individual trustees. Members of the Board exercise their powers and responsibilities as a matter of public trust, and only when the Board is officially in session.

However, it is recognized that Board members hold considerable influence as a result of being elected to public office as a trustee. It is also understood that the Board's ability to influence public policy in matters of education is related to the community perception of the Board as an effective corporate entity through its conduct of the public business.

Therefore, it is important that the Board and its individual members operate in an ethical and business-like manner. This commitment includes proper use of authority, appropriate decorum in individual and group behaviour, and fair equitable and respectful treatment of students, families parents, staff, members of the community and other Board members.

Therefore, the Board has established the following Standards of Conduct to help provide the conditions necessary for effective Board operations:

- 1. Board members will maintain a district culture which will advance student achievement, foster equity, inclusion, and well-being, and provide an atmosphere where each student feels valued and can reach their full potential. This includes supporting a district culture that honors differences, is anti-racist, values local First Nations Culture, and is committed to the work of Reconciliation.
- 2. Board members will make decisions that support the educational welfare of all children, contribute to public confidence in the school system, and serve the district's strategic plan.
- 3. Board members will demonstrate respect and actions aligning with the BC Human Rights Code which prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, gender identification/expression, sexual orientation or sexual orientation as perceived by others.
- 4. Board members will devote time, thought, and study to their duties and responsibilities so that they may render effective and creditable service.



- 5. Board members recognize that the expenditure of Board funds is a public trust; and, therefore, they will ensure that all such funds shall be expended responsibly, efficiently, economically, and for the best interest of students.
- Board members will not attempt to exercise individual authority over or to act on behalf of the district except as explicitly set forth in Board policies and resolutions.
- 7. Once a motion is passed, Trustees shall support the decision of the Board.
- 8. Board members shall work with fellow Trustees in a spirit of harmony and cooperation despite differences of opinion that may arise during debate. Trustees will observe proper decorum and behaviour as defined by Robert's Rules of Order, encourage full and open discussion in all matters with their fellow Trustees, and treat them with respect and consideration.
- 9. Trustees will be individually responsible for the content of their comments, posts and affirmations on social media and must ensure that their use of social media is consistent with the Trustee Standards of Conduct.
- 10. Board members will not use the schools, school or district equipment, or any part of the school program for personal advantage or for the advantage of friends. Trustees will not use their position as a trustee to benefit themselves or any other individual or agency.
- 11. To fulfill the responsibilities of public office effectively, trustees are expected to attend and engage in all scheduled formal and informal meetings and commitments of the Board, including Board training and on-boarding; in the event of an unavoidable absence, Trustees shall inform the Board Chair in a timely manner to ensure a replacement can be arranged.
- 12. Trustees will not disclose the confidential business of the Board.
- 13. Board members will establish policies by which the district and schools are governed administered. Board members recognize that the education program and the conduct of school business will be left to the Superintendent of Schools/Chief Executive Officer and Secretary-Treasurer as designated by the *School Act*, Regulations, Ministerial Orders and Board policy.
- 14. Board members will support policies and procedures that ensure the employment of those persons best qualified to serve as school district staff.
- 15. Board members will support policies and procedures that ensure respectful workplaces.
- 16. Board members will be mindful of laws governing Conflict of Interest and will avoid placing themselves in positions of Conflict of Interest.



- 17. Board members will endeavor to remain informed concerning provincial and national developments in education.
- 18. Board members understand that they are required to serve the *School Act* and directives of the Ministry of Education.
- 19. Board members will do everything possible to maintain the integrity, confidence, and dignity of the office of School Trustee.

Legal Reference: Sections 49, 50, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 62, 65, 85, 94, 95 of the School Act