

May 4, 2020

Hadi, Bonjour and Hello McLeod family

Happy May! It feels good to say good-bye to April. I read a quote that I thought summarized this recent predicament quite nicely, "April was tough year but we made it!" Yes we did McLeod!

I wanted to say a HUGE thank you to all of you who shared such beautiful messages to me on Friday. Who knew there was a Principal's Day! I just thought every day was my day because I get to be part of our big family. (3) I love you all right back!

Also, please don't forget that we are here for you. Any way you do this learning at home thing is OK. There are no rules and no one is perfect. Never hesitate to reach out and tell us what you need. I am SO proud of all our staff and families for your flexibility and resilience.

And, if you need help with the basics like food we can help as well. Just let us know. Thank you to everyone who has supported our Back Pack Program. Keep it coming! Our need continues so your financial support is truly appreciated.

We are here to continue to help our students to use THEIR HEADS AND THEIR HEARTS to be the children and adults who can take on the world. We will do this any way we can. We are in this together!

Proud to be McLeod Ms. L. Hart

Our May 2th to 10th Happy Birthday babies are: Anzel, Bryton, Caleb V., Hayden, Mr. Nickel and Mr. Meads





French Immersion Review

Request for Feedback

The Board of Education of School District No. 91 has received the <u>final report</u> from AZ Cooper Consulting regarding the French Immersion programs offered in the School District.

The Board would like to provide a <u>period of time</u> for the public to review the report and respond as needed prior to the Board making a decision on any of the recommendations within the report.

Members of the public are invited to read the report on the recommendations and submit their views for consideration by 12:00 noon on April 30, 2020, in preparation for the May 4, 2020, Special Meeting of the Board of Education.

Please send any submissions to the following email address: SD91FrenchReview@sd91.bc.ca.



Special Regular School Board Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2020 6:00 pm

The Special Regular Meeting of the Board of Education regarding French Immersion programs in the district will be held via Video Conference at the following sites:

- School Board Office Vanderhoof Board Room
- Fort St. James Secondary School FSJ Video Conference Room
- Fraser Lake Elementary-Secondary School FL Video Conference Room
- Muriel Mould Neighbourhood Learning Centre BL Board Room

Public Attendance Notice:

***Due to current public health and safety requirements, we are requesting that members of the public interested in attending this meeting, at any of the above sites, contact Tracy Austin at <u>taustin@sd91.bc.ca</u> or 250-567-2284 <u>prior to the meeting</u> so that seating arrangements for appropriate social distancing can be made.

"It's a new day at home (with McLeod in my heart) and I'm going to fill it with learning and kindness and caring!"

YOUR CHALLENGE FOR THE WEEK.

Did you:

- watch the message at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xvc Otuy6s
- give yourself a big hug from all of us at McLeod
- sing the "Every little cell in my body is happy" song every day?

Mrs. Snow has shared a great challenge. Let's make our "not so pretty" space at the front of the school a beautiful garden of colour and inspiration. It's easy. Find a rock (or LOTS of rocks), decorate them and bring them to our school to add to the rock garden. We'll need MANY rocks to fill up this big space.

We can't wait to see your creativity and love! You can find Mrs. Snow's video at:

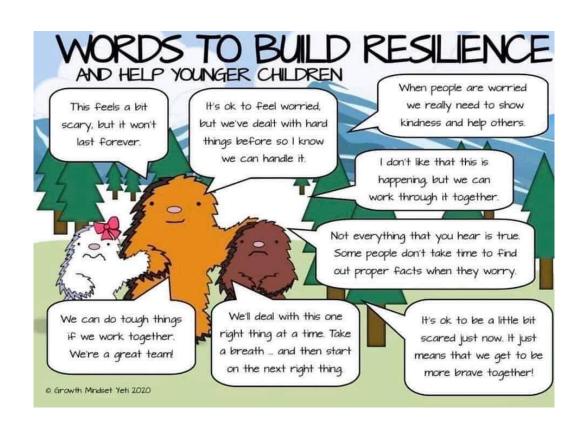
https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/4959e5f7-9678-43cb-b047-a591fd4e65b0

Let's fill this ...



With this ...





GARDEN NOTE!

Welcome to May and gardening season! Despite the restrictions we have happening right now, our Farm to School gardening program will proceed! We are working closely with the Nechako Valley Food Network in creating new safety protocols for the Vanderhoof Community Garden so that everyone stays safe. Things will look different this year, but one thing is for sure - there will be food!

Our Essential Service Worker child care teachers, Ms. Nolan and Ms. Silver, have already started things off by starting seeds in the school. These teachers and students will start working at the Farm to School greenhouse and outdoor garden plot at the Vanderhoof Community Garden in mid-May. I am sure many of you are missing being at the garden, so if you want to help out, we can still use your help! It is a great learning environment. Where we still need help:

- starting next week cleaning up the greenhouse and getting it ready for the students to plant
- tending the garden over June, July and August. The Community Garden members are willing to help us out in July and August, but it would be great to have students and families help out at the Farm to School garden over the summer too! Please contact Michelle Roberge for more information on how to help (jmfarm@me.com).

Another way to help with the garden is to donate some plants/seeds. We are in search of roma tomatoes plants, any extra pumpkin plants, as well as seed potatoes! You can bring donated plants and seed potatoes to the school - please call ahead!

Our McLeod family should be very proud of our Farm to School program. Last year everyone worked so hard and grew enough potatoes to feed the school while we were there, but then when we had to close because of pandemic, the left-over potatoes went to feed 40 families! Way to go McLeod!! Let's do the same this year and grow as much as we can to share together next school year when we get to be together again!

~ Farm to School Committee







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Kindergarten Registration is Open!

Planning has started for the 2020-2021 school year.
Please contact your school's office for more information.

