

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Last year at this time I wrote about how we were "anticipating the beginning of our building expansion project, as we find ways of making good use of every possible space available in our school." This anticipation continues to grow. With every corner of space in our building being used to the fullest, we are waiting for the day we get the keys to our new classrooms, library and learning commons. I have recently walked through the construction site and it looks amazing.

November is report card month bringing the opportunity to connect and reflect with your child's teacher. Our goal is to help each child reach their full potential academically, socially, artistically, musically etc. Parent teacher conferences will look different this term as most will be done virtually. However, as always we value the home/school connection, and we would like to ensure that every parent has an opportunity to connect with their child's homeroom teacher. Looking forward to the exciting changes ahead!

NUMERACY MONTH

Counting Collections!

November is NUMERACY MONTH!

This month Mitchell Elementary will be focusing on counting a variety of collections. Counting is a great way to help us develop important math skills and enjoy learning. Students will have opportunities to discuss how many, count, and organize collections. How many?



RETAKES NOVEMBER 20 AM

All those that were absent on picture day are automatically on the re-take list. Please return your picture package if you would like retakes taken.

Please note: If you have an afternoon Kindergarten student that you would like re-takes, please make sure to be here at 8:45 am as the photographers will not be available to take pictures in the afternoon.

DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

The days are getting colder and we want to remind students to dress for the weather as recess times can seem very long if you are cold.

REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

We ask that you would please wear a mask when entering the school.

If you need to drop something off for your child at school, we have a drop off box at the front door. Call the school to let us know you have dropped something off, and we will have it delivered to your child.



GRADE 1 - 4 REPORT CARDS

Grade 1-4 Report cards will be available on the Parent Portal after 3:30 pm on November 18th. Printed copies will not be sent home.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent Teacher Conferences will take place on November 24th and 25th via telephone or zoom meeting. Sign up will happen on Parent Portal. More information to follow.

PARENT PORTAL ACCOUNTS

There are a handful of families who have not yet created a Parent Portal account. We encourage you to do this before Report Cards and Parent Teacher Conferences so that you do not miss out on these important events.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

The Community Christmas Committee is coordinating the preparation and distribution of Christmas hampers to those in our area that are in need. The following are some suggestions of items the schools could collect on behalf of Community Christmas:

Baby Formula	Diapers/Wipes	Baby Crackers
Baby Food	Ivory Snow Det.	Laundry Det.
Fabric Softener	Dish Soap	Hand Soap
Toothpaste	Tooth Brushes	Deodorant
Garbage Bags	Cleaning Products	Porridge
Ketchup	Mustard	Mayonnaise
Cooking Oil	Canned Corn	Canned Soup
Boxed Soup	Crackers/Cookies	Pasta
Pasta Sauce	Sidekicks Pasta/rice	Cheese Whiz
Cake Mixes	Juice Boxes	Syrup
New unwrapped toys		

We will be collecting from **November 9-27**. **Please have your child hand in items to their homeroom teacher.**

CHOCOLATE MILK IS BACK!

MES will once again be participating in the School Milk Program starting Monday, November 2nd.



Chocolate Milk tickets will be sold in bundles of 10 for \$10. We will not be selling individual tickets for cartons.

Tickets can be purchased by sending cash or cheque (payable to MES) to your child's homeroom teacher. If you would like to make a payment via the Parent Portal, please notify the school office by email to mes@hsd.ca to make arrangements.