



VICE-PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

It's funny how quickly we adjust to goodness and start taking things for granted; this has been one of the mildest springs on record and yet I find myself alarmed when the temperature drops below zero. Here at MES we continue to appreciate our in-person learning environment, and are grateful for all of the community support in these unusual times.

May is nutrition month, fall 2021 Kindergarten welcome, Jump Rope for Heart, and fall planning month. While things will look different, and may even change from the writing of this article to hitting send on the email, we will continue to collaborate both in school and out, engage with our learning partnerships, and do everything we can so that MES really is, "a great place to grow!"

"Kindness is a fundamental human practice." - anon.



PARKING & PICK-UP: Thank you for being safe! In an effort to help reduce congestion during student drop off and pick-up, Mitchell Gospel Church continues to be willing to let parents use their parking lot as a staging area during the hours of 8:15-9:00 am and 3:00-3:45 pm. This is the parking area one block directly south of the school down the path that connects to Willow & Oakview.

2021-2022 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you have a child or know someone who has a child that will be starting kindergarten in fall, please register online at www.hsd.ca. If you do not have access to a computer or need assistance, call the school office at (204) 326-6622.



May is Healthy Lifestyles month!

May 3-7: A healthy living choice board will be sent home on April 30th. There will be a variety of activities on this board that we are encouraging students to do. Once your child has completed one, please initial the square. After they have completed the entire choice board, they can hand it into their teacher. The class with the most choice boards handed in will win a prize! You are welcome to do more than one if you can!

May 10-14: Wellness Week

Macho Muscle Monday - There will be announcements throughout the day to participate in a variety of exercises to stay active!

Take a run Tuesday - Classes will be encouraged to sign up and go for a walk or run for 15 minutes around the school yard.

Wiggly Wednesday - Classes will make a goal to do as many go noodles or workout videos as they can in one day! Shake those wiggles out!

Thirsty Thursday - Students will be encouraged to bring flavoured water. They can put cucumbers, lemon, fruit or other fun food in their water bottles at home and enjoy it throughout the day.

Friendly Friday-Students will be given heart tickets and write down a good deed that they can do to make another person feel happy. Once they have completed the deed (or 3), they will hand it into their teacher to make a larger heart showing kindness throughout the school.

We hope everyone has a lot of fun participating in our activities this month. Maybe this will get our students excited about starting, maintaining or continuing to learn about living a healthy lifestyle!

BUS INFORMATION - hsd.ca

Any bus that will be late due to weather or mechanical issues will be listed on the HSD website in the bus delay area. Go to hsd.ca/Transportation. You can then choose Bus Delay Bulletins where any bus that is late will be posted with the approximate delay time. Thank you for checking this option before calling the Hanover School Division Transportation Department with your questions regarding bus delays.

MOVING OR RETURNING FROM HOME SCHOOL?

If you know that you will be moving locations/returning from home school; you are welcome to call or email the HSD office at any time before school starts at (204) 320-2347 or email hsdtransportation@hsd.ca so we can ensure your child will have transportation for the school startup. They are open all summer.

*****DROP OFF PROCEDURES*****

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.

CARING FOR KIDS ACROSS THE WORLD **(Formerly Treats and Treasures Sale)**

For the past ten years, MES has partnered with Provision of Hope in helping children from Liberia, Africa. Children in Liberia have to pay to go to school and if their family doesn't have enough money, they can't go. Education gives children a chance to move ahead in life and make a difference in their community.

MES students will be participating in activities to learn about Liberia and the students we sponsor there. **On May 19th, students will bring home envelopes to collect funds to continue sponsoring our 13 children for the next school year. May 26th will be our counting and celebration day!**



LOST AND FOUND is overflowing! We will have items set out by the front entrance. All unclaimed items will be donated after Friday, May 7th.



JUMP Rope for Heart is taking place during Phys Ed classes on May 27th & 28th! Details about fundraising and PRIZES will be sent home closer to our JUMP date.

REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

Please remember to send your child's **water bottle, cutlery, and proper outdoor clothing**. With the arrival of spring weather, please pack extra clothing, especially pants and socks, in your child's backpack.

