

Hello Macaulay Families,

It has been another wonderful and beautifully sunny week at Macaulay. Fingers crossed that this good weather carries through the weekend!

Just a reminder that there is **no school for students on Monday** while staff take part in a full day of professional learning. Our focus will be on literacy and playful learning, with opportunities for discussions, new learning, and collaborative planning. We know that learning through play helps children develop critical thinking, self-management, relationships, oral language, creativity, and many other important skills needed to support success in literacy. We look forward to bringing this learning back into classrooms and sharing this learning with our community throughout the school year.

Warmly,
Jeanne Humphries
Principal/Directrice

Looking Ahead
<u>Sept 22</u> - School Based Professional Development Day – No school for students
<u>Sept 23- 26</u> - PAC is collecting Halloween costumes for their Sept 29 costume swap night
<u>Sept 25</u> - Meet the staff 5-5:30 and PAC social 5:30-7 BBQ
<u>Sept 26</u> - Terry Fox run 1:45-2:15
<u>Sept 29</u> - Orange shirt day and PAC Costume swap early evening
<u>Sept 30</u> - No School – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

More Information Items:

Parent Connect

Parent Connect is the Greater Victoria School District online service used for signing digital forms and providing consent for use of digital tools in the classroom. Please log in (or sign up if you haven't done so already) to Parent Connect and review the consent items where action is required. Additionally, you are encouraged to review items that you have previously consented to by selecting "Forms" in the menu. Consent for all forms and digital tools rolls over from year-to-year.

[Parent Connect Signup and Login Resource](#)

Process for Resolution of Concerns

From time to time a concern may arise in our educational community. To help resolve these issues, the Greater Victoria School District uses a complaint process to ensure that an individual's concern will be given respectful attention while upholding the integrity of the educational system. This process uses clear procedures for the communication and resolution of any concern held by a member of our education community <https://quadra.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/50/2024/09/Process-for-a-Resolution-of-Concerns-Reg1155.pdf>

Please contact us if you have any questions.

National Week for Truth and Reconciliation

There will be no school on Tuesday, September 30 as we observe the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. *We invite our students to wear orange on Monday, September 29.* We will be including more information about how we will be honoring this day in next week's newsletter.

Terry Fox Run

We are collecting donations for the Terry Fox Foundation. Please bring your "twoonies" to your classroom teachers or to the office. If you would like to donate a larger amount those are also accepted by cash or cheque (made out to Macaulay School). Our Terry Fox run is on Friday, September 26th in the afternoon (1:50 pm ish).

Student Verification Forms

Forms have been sent home. Please ensure you make any corrections needed and send them back as soon as you can. Thank you!

Kindergarten Immunizations

In B.C., routine immunizations are recommended for children at kindergarten entry (4-6 years of age). If your child has not received their kindergarten immunizations, please contact your local Public Health unit at to book an appointment.

For more information about immunization, visit <https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/health-library/immunizations/children> or contact your local Public Health unit if you have any questions