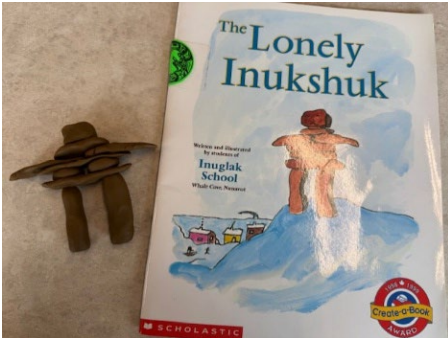


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Hello Macaulay Families,

It has been a wonderful week of learning! One of the many highlights was the opportunity for some of our students to learn more about Inuit people and culture as part of International Inuit Day (November 7) with Ms. Bird, Indigenous Youth and Family Advocate, who recently joined our school team. If you are interested in meeting Ms. Bird and learning more about her role, she will be joining the first part of next week's PAC meeting.



As daylight hours shorten and mornings/end of day become darker, it is more important than ever that we start and end each day calmly, safely, and with kindness. To help us do that, here are a few gentle reminders:

- SD61 does *not* allow animals on school grounds except for approved service animals, even at drop-off or pick-up times. We appreciate everyone's cooperation with this policy.
- Our "pull-through" zone is designed *only* for dropping off and picking up students. Please remain in your car or use the flow as intended, so traffic moves safely and smoothly for everyone.
- We would appreciate your help in reminding your child(ren) that the slope at the back of the school is unfortunately not a good or safe place to play. While it may look fun, it can be risky. There are plenty of other areas on our school grounds that are meant for safe and fun play; we encourage students to stay in those spaces.

Warmly,
Jeanne Humphries
Principal / Directrice

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Looking Ahead
<u>Nov 9</u> - Grade 4/5 Fundraiser - Bottle Drive (10:00 am - 2:00 pm)
<u>Nov 10</u> - Remembrance Day assembly
<u>Nov 11</u> - No School - Remembrance Day
<u>Nov 12</u> - PAC meeting in the library (6:30 pm)
<u>Nov 14</u> - PAC fun lunch

More Information Items:

Macaulay Spirit Wear Store

We're excited to share that the **Macaulay Spirit Wear Store** is now open for the season! This year's collection includes all the classic favourites along with some fun new additions like hats, sweat pants, and even the option to add "**Proud Parent**" to your shirt.

Shop here:

https://store.passionsports.ca/macaulay_elementary_spirit_wear

Purchases from the store help support our Grade 5 end-of-year celebrations and activities. And in true Macaulay tradition, **any leftover funds are passed directly to next year's Grade 5s**. So whether you are a Grade 5 family, Grade 4 family, or anywhere else in the school... thank you for supporting our students now and in the future.

A beloved Macaulay tip: **consider buying items a size (or two) up**. These pieces become incredibly nostalgic keepsakes, and there is nothing quite like seeing a now-high-schooler proudly wearing their oversized Macaulay hoodie that once reached their knees.

Please feel free to share the link widely, including on your social media or with relatives who love an excuse to support your child's school. The more people who know, the more we can raise for student activities.

Orders are due by Nov 18.

Thank you for your continued support of our Macaulay community.
Macaulay Grade 5 Team

Keeping Healthy

This is the time of year that we see lots of illness in the community.

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- As a community, we can take measures to limit the spread of germs:
- [Wash hands](#) frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes with elbows
- Monitor and keep children home from school if they are experiencing symptoms of illness until they are well enough to participate in regular activities
- If you are unsure or concerned about any symptoms, connect with your healthcare provider or call 8-1-1