



McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG): September 18th – 22nd



This week we completed our first full week of school! Students have settled into classes, and on Friday, we gathered together for our first assembly of the year. This week ahead there are opportunities for parents to get involved at McKay- our first PAC meeting of the year on Monday, and our first Community Event- our Welcome Back Picnic- on Thursday. **Please check the upcoming dates for early dismissals and days when school is not in session so you can make arrangements for childcare.** Have a great weekend 😊

Highlights For Next Week Include:

Monday Sept 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Terry Fox Run<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ All students will participate in an assembly and run to raise awareness for cancer research.○ Bring toonies for Terry (donations) if you can!• Pizza Orders are due!<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The PAC has organized a pizza order for our Welcome Back Picnic on Thursday... paper copies went home with all students. If your family wants to order, today is the deadline!• First PAC Meeting of the Year!<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 7:15 on ZOOM- Watch for an email from the PAC with the meeting link... all parents are welcome!
Tuesday Sept 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundraising for Terry Fox<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Toonies for Terry!
Wednesday Sept 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundraising for Terry Fox Toonies for Terry!
Thursday Sept 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome Back Picnic/Meet our Staff<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 5pm in your child's class, followed by a picnic outside.• Outdoor Education Parent Meeting (grades 6 & 7)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 6:15pm in the Multipurpose Room, following our Welcome Back Picnic• Fundraising for Terry Fox Toonies for Terry!
Friday Sept 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non-Instructional Day<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No school for students

Upcoming Important Dates and Special Events:

Tues Sept 26	Individual Photo Day
Fri Sept 29	Orange Shirt Day; Truth and Reconciliation Assembly
Sat Sept 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day
Mon Oct 2	Statutory Holiday for National Day of Truth and Reconciliation No school in session
Mon Oct 9	Thanksgiving No school in session
Wed Oct 18	Parent Conferences Early dismissals at 1:45pm
Thurs Oct 19	Parent Conferences Early dismissals at 1:45pm
Fri Oct 20	Provincial Pro-D Day No school in session for students

Traffic Safety in School Zones- some reminders from ICBC

Drivers

Stick to the Speed Limit

A 30 km/h speed limit is in effect in school zones from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every school day, unless otherwise posted. In playground zones, a 30 km/h speed limit is in effect every day from dawn to dusk.



Scan Crosswalks and Intersections from Left to Right as You Approach

Watch for pedestrians waiting to cross, especially during school hours.

Leave Your Phone Alone

Distraction is the leading factor for drivers in crashes involving pedestrians and cyclists.

Notice if Other Drivers are Slowing Down or Stopping

If a vehicle is stopped in front of you or in the lane next to you, they may be yielding to a pedestrian, so proceed with caution and be prepared to stop.

Give Yourself Enough Stopping Distance

You need more time to stop when you're driving fast. At a slower speed, motorists have better chance to react when children or others are crossing the road. This could be the difference that saves a life.

Watch for School Buses

When their lights are flashing, vehicles approaching from both directions must stop.

Pedestrians

Cross Only at Marked or Controlled Crosswalks

Do not jaywalk or cross when it isn't your turn.

Look Both Ways Before Crossing the Street

Ensure it is safe to cross from both directions of traffic before setting foot on the crosswalk.

Make Eye Contact with Drivers Approaching the Crosswalk

Be certain they see you and that they've committed to slowing down to a stop.

Double-Check Lights and Signals are Working at Controlled Crosswalks

Make sure that the flashing traffic lights are operational and haven't timed out before crossing.

Wait Until the Crossing Guard Says it's Safe to Cross

If your school has a crossing guard, follow their instructions before crossing – they will make sure it's safe before guiding you across.

Parents

Let Your Child Enter and Exit Your Car on the Side Closest to the Sidewalk

It's safest to drop off and pick up as close to the sidewalk as possible. Do not allow your child to cross mid-block.

Before Starting Your Car, Check for Small Children Hidden From Your View

Walk around your car and always look carefully for pedestrians when backing up.