



McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG): May 6th - May 10th

Hello McKay Families! We have an exciting week (and month!) ahead. For families of students in grades 4-7, please review the paper notices sent home about the District Track Meet on Thursday, May 9th. Let's all cross our fingers for sunshine! We look forward to having fun outside, and cheering our Mustangs on!

For everyone in our McKay community, our McKay Book Swap is happening on Tuesday... a great chance to for students to pick up some new reading material, and our Read-a-Thon is underway for the whole month of May... Will Ms. Mui and I have to eat crickets at the end of the month?!?!? Notices have been sent home, but you can also see below for more information about our exciting Literacy Events.

Also please note a date change in the Upcoming Dates- our Sports Day rainout day will now be June 19th, so as not to coincide with the Immunization clinic on the 17th.... But let's hope we don't need to use our rainout day at all!

Highlights For Next Week Include:

Monday May 6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last day to bring in books for the Book Swap
Tuesday May 7 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McKay Book Swap! • PAC Meeting 7:15pm on Zoom
Wednesday May 8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Track Meet practice Grades 4-7
Thursday May 9 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Track Meet Grades 4-7 – All Day @ Minoru Track (information has been sent home via paper notice)
Friday May 10 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A&W PAC hot lunch today for those who ordered. • Order PAC Bubble Tea by tomorrow on Munchalunch https://munchalunch.com/login

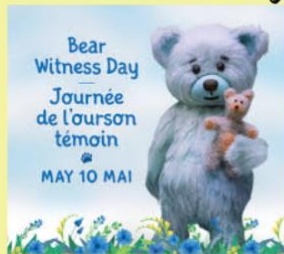
VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER FROM THE OFFICE.....

If your child will be absent or late for school please inform the office directly by calling the early warning line as soon as possible at 604.668.6572.

Upcoming Important Dates and Special Events:

May 9	Elementary Track Meet Gr 4-7 @ Minoru Track (notices have been sent home)
May 16	Saleema Noon Parent Info Meeting (Virtual, details to come)
May 17	Pro D Day – No school in session
May 20	Victoria Day Holiday - No school in session
May 21-22	Saleema Noon Body Science presentations for students (more details to come)
June 14	Sports Day Early Dismissal at 1:30 pm unless rainy
June 17	Spring Immunization Clinic K/1/6/7
June 19	Sports Day Rainout Day – Early Dismissal only if June 14 th was cancelled.
June 25	Grade 7 Farewell Assembly and Celebration
June 27	Last Day of School for students before summer break

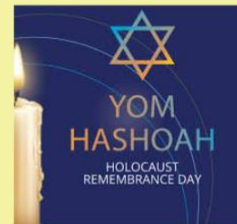
Significant Dates in our Community



May is Asian Heritage and Canadian Jewish Heritage Month

May 5th-6th:
Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day)

May 10th:
Bear Witness Day



Dress for the weather!

Students will go outside for recess and lunchtime play in all weather.

Rain gear, layers, and extra clothing are helpful to stay comfortable!



Hats

Sunscreen (applied at home!)



rain gear



Extra clothes

/layers

Information Items for Families:



McKay Bubble Tea Fundraiser

Thursday May 16, 2024

2:45pm - 3:30pm

(Order in Munch-A-Lunch on or before May 11 at 11:59pm)

Support McKay by buying **BUBBLE TEAsssss!!!** 學校籌款日

Click Here to order --> <https://munchalunch.com/schools/mckay/>

****Important:** Please provide your cell phone number in Munch under My Family\My Profile in case we need to contact you on that day.**

Price per cup (700 ml): \$7 each
Choices:
1. Original Milk Tea with Pearls (珍珠奶茶)
2. Taro Milk Tea with Pearls (芋頭珍珠奶茶)
3. Lychee Green Tea with Coconut Jelly (荔枝椰果綠茶)
4. Mango Green Tea with Coconut Jelly (芒果椰果綠茶)
5. Calpis Green Tea with Coconut Jelly (多多椰果綠茶)

* All ice levels and sugar levels are fixed*

* 所有飲品已預設冰和糖的份量 *

* No substitution or No changes (including toppings) to the above menu*

* 以上的餐單已預設飲品種類及配料，不會作任何改動 *

*Pick-up on **Thursday, May 16** from 2:45pm to 3:30pm outside of gym

*領取時間及地點: 5月16日(星期四)下午 2:45pm-3:30pm，學校體育館門外



Dear Families:

A Read-A-Thon Is Coming to McKay!

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This May, we are excited to announce that McKay will be holding a Read-A-Thon literacy event beginning on Friday, May 3rd and running for four weeks until Friday, May 30th

Why

The main focus of the Read-A-Thon is to help improve literacy skills among McKay students and to encourage the mentally healthy routine habit of reading! Reading to young children is proven to improve cognitive skills and help along the process of cognitive development. When you begin reading aloud to your child, it essentially provides them with background knowledge on their young world, which helps them make sense of what they see, hear, and read. The more students read, the better their reading and writing skills! Our Read-A-Thon is a program that will promote a diversity of books and encourage students to read with families and friends to build literacy skills.

The Read-A-Thon is also an optional fundraiser for our McKay Library to help raise funds for literacy resources to support our learners. Money raised will also help our school purchase more Applied Design Skills and Technologies resources for cooking, baking, textiles, coding, and other K-7 maker activities. We are encouraging all students to participate even if they do not collect pledges. If you are able to contribute pledges, please know there is no amount of a pledge that is too small as collectively each dollar raised improves the learning resources at McKay!

Students can share the Read-A-Thon with friends and family anywhere in the world! To show their support for students reading, friends and family can make a donation to the McKay Read-A-Thon on the provided blue Read-A-Thon pledge sheet. The student who collects the most pledges will also win a special prize.

Students Make A Personal Reading Goal

The Read-A-Thon is a personal reading adventure that challenges each reader at the beginning of May to make a personal reading goal for the whole month.

The Read-A-Thon promises to be fun and exciting and students have chances to win prizes.

There will be a menu of special reading challenges for students to try to complete each week. Four times during the month, the teacher-librarian will check for participation in each class. **STUDENTS PLEASE BRING YOUR READ-A-THON TRACKER SHEET TO SCHOOL ON THE FOUR CHECK FOR PARTICIPATION DAYS!**

Check for participation days:

Week 1: May 3 to May 9 -Week 1 **Check for participation day: Friday, May 10**
Week 2: May 10 to May 16 -Week 2 **Check for participation day: Tuesday, May 21**
Week 3: May 17 to May 23 -Week 3 **Check for participation day: Friday, May 24**
Week 4: May 24 to May 30 -Week 4 **Check for participation day: Friday, May 31**

Students who complete at least three reading challenges in the previous week will be entered into a draw if they want a chance to win. There will be at least one winner chosen for each week to celebrate their reading, and these winners will win special prizes. Students who have completed the weekly challenges for each of the four weeks will have a chance to win a \$15 gift card to Chapters/Indigo. There will be at least 4 \$15 Chapters/Indigo winners. Students will also be asked to record the number of minutes they read each day. The class that reads the most minutes by the end of the month will win a Reading Party with some treats.

Whole School Reading Challenge Bonus Incentive!

On May 30th, if the McKay students have collectively recorded reading 150,000 minutes between May 3rd and May 30th, then Mrs. Livingston, the principal, Ms. Mui, the teacher-librarian and some other McKay staff, will complete a special challenge-they will eat bugs (3 dried crickets each)! Did you know that eating certain prepared insects (such as crickets) can be considered nutritious as they have high protein and low-fat content? Eating insects is also agriculturally more sustainable compared to eating other types of meat because they take less space and water to grow and develop and emit fewer greenhouse gas emissions during production, so beneficial for the environment. Throughout the month, students can check the Read-A-Thon bulletin board outside the library to see how close the students are to the reading goal!

Happy Reading!



Week 1: READING MENU

Complete 3 of the following between Friday, May 3rd and Thursday, May 9th to get entered into a Read-A-Thon draw to win a prize. Ms. Mui will check with students after May 9th.

Intermediate Students

1. Read with a family member for 15 minutes
2. Read outside for 20 minutes
3. Read a book by a Canadian author
4. Read twice in one day for at least 30 minutes each time
5. Read a book with a one-word title for at least 20 minutes.
6. Read a book by an Indigenous author
7. Read for at least one hour in a row.

Primary Students


1. Read with a family member for 15 minutes
2. Read outside for 20 minutes
3. Read a book by a Canadian author
4. Read twice in one day for at least 20 minutes each time
5. Read a nonfiction book (a true fact book)
6. Read a book by an Indigenous author
7. Read to a stuffed animal for 15 minutes



Check back next week for Week 2 Read-A-Thon Challenges!



McKay is excited to announce the launch of a new Hot Lunch Program through Libby's





 Kitchen!! **in addition to our monthly Friday's hot lunch**

Starting April 8, 2024, we will be offering delicious and nutritious hot lunches twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays (to start), delivered to the hot lunch table inside the school hallway during lunchtime. Students can conveniently pick up their orders, which will include their name, division number, and lunch details.

Daily vegetarian options will be offered starting in May.

How to Order: Please refer to the attached Libby's Kitchen Registration guide for detailed instructions in creating your account and placing orders online at <https://www.libbyskitchen.ca/>. April menu has also been attached for your convenience.

****NOTE: ORDERS TO BE PLACE BY 5PM ON SUNDAY FOR THE WEEK****

Daily Hot Lunch Program:	Libby's Kitchen Menu:	Lunch sizes & Prices:
<p> LIBBY'S KITCHEN takes pride in providing high-quality hot lunch meals for children. Their offerings include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Quality hot lunch and on-time delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Asian and Western style menu choices <input type="checkbox"/> Secure online ordering system via libbyskitchen.ca <input type="checkbox"/> Fast and responsive customer service via email, phone, and WeChat  <p><i>*Please note: 10% of the ordering proceeds from this program go directly to PAC which will be used to enrich the students' education inside and outside of the classroom.</i></p>	<p>Their menu is carefully designed in compliance with The Guidelines for Food and Beverage Sales in BC School Meal and School Nutrition Program Handbook to ensure nutrients intake and food variation.</p> <p>Libby's Kitchen aims to provide hot lunches that are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Nuts and MSG Free <input type="checkbox"/> Healthy and Delicious <input type="checkbox"/> Up-to-date with the Canada's Food Guide <input type="checkbox"/> Carefully designed to achieve balanced diet <input type="checkbox"/> Made to order <input type="checkbox"/> Rich in menu choices and fun to eat <input type="checkbox"/> Inclusive and diversified <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared daily and locally 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Large 28 oz for \$11/Order (Recommend Grade 6 & up) 2. Medium 16 oz for \$9/Order (Recommend Grade 3 to 5) 3. Small 12 oz for \$7/Order (Recommend K to Grade 2) <p>Packaging & Delivery:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Libby's Kitchen uses leak-proof microwavable containers to offer a convenient hot lunch experience! <input type="checkbox"/> Our cutlery is 100% biodegradable to minimize environmental pollution. <p>**We ask all students to please take their hot lunch containers home at the end of the day and re-use or Recycle.</p> 

Thank you for your support! For inquiries, please send an email to mckayelementarypac@gmail.com
The McKay PAC



Supporting Richmond's Families

A Symposium Celebrating Child Care Month For Early Childhood Educators, Child Care Providers and Parents

Saturday, May 4, 2024

8:00am - 12:30pm

**City Hall, 6911 No.3 Road,
Richmond**

8:00am Registration

8:30am Welcome and Keynote Presentation

9:30am Coffee Break and Child Care
Strategy Update

10:00am Workshop 1, 2, or 3

11:30am Workshop 4 or 5

12:30pm Close

Keynote Presentation

Elder Shane Point: Supporting Families; A First Nations Perspective

Shane is a Proud member of the Point family, Coast Salish Nation and the Musqueam Indian band.

Shane has worked for the past 50 years in the service of the First Nations People of BC and others.

His motto is "Nutsamaht" (We are one)

Registration fee \$15 plus GST, please visit: richmondkids.ca/en/workshops/supporting-richmonds-children-2024
This event counts as 3.5 hours of professional development.

Organized by the City of Richmond
Child Care Development Advisory Committee

