



McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG) for McKay Families: September 19th – 23rd

It has been an exciting and eventful return to school. Our students have settled into their classes and seem very happy and engaged in their learning. The newest Mustangs, our kindergarten students, have completed their Gradual Entry to School and have begun their first full days of school. McKay staff are pleased that we are now able to return to more “normal” daily life at McKay. We are especially excited to offer to our students many of the special school-wide events and extracurricular activities that we were not able to do during the pandemic... including the following:

2022 – 2023 Welcome Back Picnic Thursday Sept 29th: Please mark your calendars for a “Welcome Back Picnic” on Thursday September 29th from 6:00 – 7:00 pm to kick off the 2022 – 2023 school year. All McKay students and their families are invited to attend this casual outdoor social event. We look forward to the chance to say hello, catch up with you on your summer, introduce the McKay staff and celebrate the start of an awesome upcoming year at McKay. Order forms for a “Fresh Slice Pizza” dinner for families to enjoy that evening have been sent home today – thanks to our PAC for organizing this for us.

Parents Dropping Off Lunches: We are pleased to now be able to offer parents the chance to drop-off lunches for their children. McKay parents may drop lunches to a Lunch Table located near the Front Office / Lost and Found area. Please label the lunch bag / container with your child’s name and Division #. For health reasons - in order to reduce the number of adults coming/interacting within our school community, food ordering services such as “Uber Eats” or “Skip the Dishes” will not be permitted to drop off lunches at McKay. Parents, please drop off your child’s lunch no later than 11:40 am.

Highlights For Next Week Include:

Monday Sept 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Day of Mourning for the passing of Queen Elizabeth II ○ No school today for all BC students
Tuesday Sept 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fruit and Veggies Program back at McKay – will arrive sometime this week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The first delivery of healthy snacks is... Blueberries – Yum!!!
Wednesday Sept 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As in the previous two years at McKay, students will be outside every day at recess and lunch, regardless of the weather <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please ensure your child comes to school every day with appropriate clothing to stay warm and dry when outside at recess and lunch on rainy and/or cold days. Raincoats and/or umbrellas are strongly recommended.
Thursday Sept 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terry Fox Run at McKay: in the afternoon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please wear running shoes and comfortable clothes for the Run ○ Help us keep Terry’s Marathon of Hope and the dream of finding a cure for cancer alive. ○ Donations gratefully received through Cash-On-Line on the McKay web-site shortly
Friday Sept 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District-wide Pro-D Day today: No School for all students in Richmond <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Staff working on School Goals for the year, Inclusive Learning Frameworks, and Storytelling / Writing Workshops (Literacy) for our students.

Upcoming Important Dates and Special Events:

- Sept 25 – 27** Rosh Hashanah – Happy Jewish New Year to those McKay families celebrating this Holiday tradition
- Wed Sept 28** Individual Photo Day: Say “Cheese!” starting at 9am
- Thurs Sept 29** Welcome Back Picnic & Pizza Dinner: 6:00 – 7:00 pm
- Fri Sept 30** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day: No school in session today
During the month of September, many of our students will be participating in learning activities connected to this important day and focused on making the world a more inclusive place for all of our students.
- Mon Oct 3** First PAC Meeting of the Year: Time and format TBD
- Oct 4 and 5** Yom Kippur Holiday: We hope this will be a special time for our Jewish students and their families.
- Mon Oct 10** Thanksgiving Holiday: No school in session today

*A Reminder: Please report lates and absences to our
Early Warning Phone Number at 604-668-6572*