



MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER #21

April 5, 2024

We are glad to be back from break and hope that you all enjoyed your time with your children! This last stretch of the school year will be busy: track and field, concerts, workshops, field trips and of course, classroom learning! Please have a look to the list of dates below.



April 9	PAC Meeting at 6 PM
April 12	Class/Group Photos
April 12	PAC Movie Night at 5:30 PM
April 19	Spirit Day – Twins Day
April 25	Reports Live on MyEd
April 26	PAC Coffee Morning
May 2	Music in Our Schools Concert at Gateway Theatre (6:30 PM)
May 27	Track Meet at Minoru
May 31	Welcome to K event for new Kindergarten students (2024-2025 students)

BREAKFAST CLUB UPDATE



We are happy to confirm that Breakfast Club will now also take place on Fridays! We will start right away this Friday morning (April 12). Please make sure to have your child pop by, starting at 8:00 in the multi-purpose room (also known as Mr. Wiens’ music class).

MITCHELL’S COMMUNITY FRIDGE

We are pleased to inform our families that we have now opened our glass-front fridge to students. This means that, with their teacher’s permission, students can grab a snack from our community fridge. These healthy snacks are provided by the district. This week, we had hard-boiled eggs, yogurt, mandarin oranges, and nut-free trail mix!

Parent Sessions on Social Media Awareness

In partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, Safer Schools Together is offering parent sessions on social media awareness. These sessions all take place in the evenings from 6:30 – 7:30pm and all parents/caregivers and their children (aged 10 and up) may attend.

The dates are: Wednesday, April 10 / Tuesday, April 16

Trainings can be found at this link: <https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-session>

PAC REMINDERS

- 1) Next PAC Meeting is April 9 at 6:00 PM.
- 2) PAC Movie Night (“Migration”) is on April 12.
- 3) Hot Lunch Lineup:
 - Wed. April 10: Frozen Yogurt (treat)
 - Fri. April 12: Sushi
 - Fri. April 19: Pizza Hut
 - Wed. April 24: Bubble Tea (treat)
 - Fri. April 26: A&W

HOT LUNCH SUPPORT

As part of Mitchell’s Feeding Futures initiative, we would like to offer assistance to families who cannot afford the cost of PAC hot lunches on Fridays, but would like their children to participate to it. To do this, Mme Val will process orders herself once per month. Please reach out to Mme Val at vcARRIERE@SD38.BC.CA if you would like to sign up your child or for more information. All requests will remain confidential.

SEEKING DONATIONS

We are seeking donations of gently used and pre-loved items for our future lending library (more details to come!). Please bring your donations to the office. We are looking for:

- Rainboots
- Gloves
- Rain pants
- Rain jackets
- Umbrellas

Thank you for your support!

LOST AND FOUND

Our Lost & Found table is full! We encourage you to pop in to check it out and bring back your lost items at home.



WEST COAST RECESS AND LUNCH

Just a reminder that children at Mitchell will be going outside rain or shine during recess and lunch breaks. We

believe that being able to go outside, breathe lots of fresh oxygen and move around is very good for children’s well-being and ability to learn. A well-known Norwegian quote tells us “There is no bad weather, only bad clothing.” With this in mind, please make sure your child has adequate clothing for outside, even in the rain. Please provide them with a



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change of socks and shoes, rainproof coat with hood or hat and possibly an umbrella.

EARLY WARNING, ABSENCES, AND LATE ARRIVALS

Please inform the school by telephone when your child will be late or absent due to illness or an appointment, etc. Our Early Warning line - **604-668-6229** - is available 24 hours a day for parents to leave a message. Please clearly state your child's first and last name, division and reason for absence. If no prior notice of absence is received, we will call home to determine the reason for the absence. Students arriving after 8:45 a.m. are required to enter through the main doors and check-in at the office before going to class.



PARKING LOT SAFETY

Please help keep our students safe by using the drop off zone for picking up and dropping off students only.

Please do not leave your car unattended in the drop off zone or roundabout; if you need to come into the school, please park in a

designated parking space at the west end of the school. Also, a reminder to parents that there are **no left turns permitted before and after school when leaving our parking lot.** Thanks for your cooperation!

SCHOOL HOURS 2023-2024

Classes Start	8:45 a.m.
Recess	10:10 – 10:25 a.m.
Lunch	11:50 – 12:42 p.m.
School ends	2:45 p.m.



VISITOR INFO

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

The main doors to the school remain unlocked during office hours from 8:00 – 4:00. Visitors are required to check into the office when entering the building. Thanks for your cooperation!