

MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER #8

April, 2022



WELCOME BACK!

We hope you had a fun and relaxing Spring Break! Things have already begun to pick up again here at school as we look ahead to Term 3 and

warmer weather. As usual, the next few months will fly by as we move into the final term of the school year.

CLASS PHOTOS

We are scheduled for class photos on Wednesday, April 13th. Photos will likely be taken indoors in the traditional manner.





STUDENT ABSENCE

OR LATE TO SCHOOL Early Warning 604-668-6229 Call anytime, day or night if your child will be absent or late. Please notify your child's teacher ahead of time if your child needs to leave school

before dismissal time, including doctor appointments.

MASK WEARING AT SCHOOL

Just a friendly reminder that with recent updates to



Provincial Health and Safety guidelines, students are *not* required to wear masks indoors at school. While it is now a personal choice, many staff and students continue to wear masks while at school.



MITCHELL ON INSTAGRAM Check us out on our new Instagram

account: @mitchellfirebirds

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**; if you need to come into the school, please park in a designated parking space. **Also**, **please note that Richmond is a**



No Idle Zone and many of our students line up outside right beside our parking lot. Please remember to shut off your engine to help keep the air clean. Thanks for your cooperation!



PAC MEETINGS

Our next PAC meeting is Wednesday, April 27^{th} on Zoom from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. All parents are invited to attend and a Zoom invite will be sent out before the meeting.

Newcomers are always welcome and our PAC can be reached at <u>mitchellpac@mail.com</u>

CIRCUS SCHOOL

Next week, we are excited to welcome Sand Northrup to our school as she leads our students through 3



days of Circus School. Circus School will run April 6, 7, and 8 and we are looking forward to learning a few "circus skills" such as balancing and juggling.



PRO-D DAY

A reminder that our next Professional Devlopment Day is Friday, May 20th. Students will not attend school on this day.



TECHNOLOGY USE AT SCHOOL

A reminder that during the school day (including recess and lunch) students are not permitted to use cell phones inside the school or on the school grounds

without direct adult supervision. This means teachers will be aware of and must give permission for use of cell phones to help with learning activities or to communicate with families. Students who bring cell phones to school must keep them turned off and in a safe place during instructional time (including recess and lunch). The school is not responsible for the loss or damage of this technology. Thanks for your cooperation!





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Welcome Back There have been some changes while you were away.

Masks

Visitors

Distance

It's your choice!

Wearing a mask is a personal choice. Parents/caregivers will share their preference on mask wearing with their children. Everyone's choice is supported and will continue to be respected.

All visitors on school business will soon be welcome!

Appointments are greatly appreciated, but drop-in visitors on school business will be welcome. Signing in at the school office is required as always, but there's no need for visitors/spectators to leave their contact information. Spectators invited to events are welcome at the school/site too.

It's your choice!

Who you have lunch with is up to you! Although there are no longer any special capacity limits or distance requirements in lunchrooms for students or staff, spreading out from others is encouraged. Of course, anyone's choice to maintain distance will be supported and respected.

In classrooms, the layout of desks will be determined by the teacher – so they can get creative! Continuing to spread out makes sense.

In gyms, auditoriums, and other areas, multiple classes and people attending events can come together – for now, at 50% of the space occupancy. This limit will be removed in the coming weeks.

Field Trips

Day time field trips are a go!

Day time field trips within BC can be planned and enjoyed! Proof of vaccination will be lifted in the coming weeks, but some places may still have their own rules that we'll all need to respect. As always, field trips will be planned to be inclusive.

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