



Miller Park Weekly Parent News

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“Together We Are Stronger”

Message from the Principal

As the school year begins to wind down, there are many people to thank for all the hard work they do to make Miller Park Community School a fun place to learn, play and work!

A HUGE thank you to our PAC President, Jennifer Ivison. You have served on the PAC for many years and none of us have to look far to see evidence of the work you and the executive have done over the years to make Miller Park a great school. Another HUGE thank you to Andrea Pantages, who has also served on the PAC executive for many years. We will miss you both on the PAC executive but look forward to continuing working alongside of you as a parents!

Thank you to PAC for organizing the Staff Appreciation Lunch this past week! Staff were treated to a wonderful lunch. We felt very appreciated!

Thank you to our volunteers who help out at Breakfast Club! We couldn't run the program without you. We will be running Breakfast club again next year so anyone who would like to come and help, just let me know!

We have a long list of goodbyes amongst our staff. This year we are saying goodbye to:

Mrs. Celeste Audette – Mrs. Audette is retiring and we wish her the best on her new journey!

Mr. Eastwood, Ms. Chan, Ms. Galan, Ms. Murray, Mr. Kehrig, Ms. Waldegrave and Ms. Di Campo are also moving on to other sites. We wish the best for these staff members as they move on or land back here at Miller Park!

Reports cards will be available on the Parent Portal today, Friday June 24th, 2022. **Paper copies will NOT be available.** Report cards are going home a couple days earlier than usual as we still have some families who are not registered on the portal and this will give us a chance to help them, if needed. Please reach out if you are having trouble.

Last school day for students is Wednesday June 29th. Dismissal at 12:00 noon!

SUMMER PROGRAM AT MILLER PARK KIDZ CLUBHOUSE

Miller Park Kidz Clubhouse has a few available spots left in our Summer Program! Fees are \$200/week and our hours are Monday-Friday 7:30am to 6:00pm .

If you are interested, please email millerparkkidzclub@gmail.com for more information and availability.

FRESHGRADE

Our school district will no longer be using Freshgrade after June 30, 2022. If you have pictures that you would like to download of your child, please do so before June 30, 2022.

Stay tuned for the introduction of another similar type platform that will be introduced in September 2022.

LIBRARY BOOKS

We have a lot over overdue library books! Please check your bookshelves and kids rooms for any Miller Park School Library books. Ms. Nedo will be sending out overdue library book notices to those students with outstanding books.

Parent Portal Information

Report cards will NOT be sent home in paper format at the end of the month. Please make sure you have set up your account with the parent portal.

Please continue to email the office at Miller Park if you are having difficulties logging into the parent portal and setting up your account. We are happy to help figure it out! It's new for us too!

You should have received 2 emails:

1. One from MyEd, from me letting you know to watch for an email with your login information. I also provided a link to instructions "Getting Started with the Parent Portal".
2. Second email with the login information.

The **MyEd Parent Portal**. MyEducation BC (MyEdBC) is a secure web-based portal for parents, students and teachers to communicate student information. The Parent Portal will allow you to access your child's/childrens' report card as well as, review other important information throughout their schooling including:

- Demographics, address & photo
- Contact names and phone numbers
- Daily and class attendance
- Transcripts, credit summary and credit graduation summary
- Assessments such as FSAs and provincial exams
- Current class schedule
- Membership/Groups
- Transactions and documents (work in progress)
- Email notifications
- Calendar that may include due date reminders for assignments, activities and events

Bell Schedule for 2022-23 School Year

The Bell Schedule will remain the same for next year.

Start time: 8:55am

End time: 2:45pm

PAC & COMMUNITY NEWS

PAC ELECTIONS:

The following parents have been elected:

PAC President: Doris Petria

PAC Vice President: Manisha Dhawan-Bogwalk

PAC Treasurer: Christine Viray-Luk

PAC Secretary: Elena Sarateanu

DPAC Representative: Cristina Lisnic

Thank you to all the parents that attended the meeting. It was great to see everyone there!

Join our PAC Page to stay up to date and reminded of upcoming information

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1015671191826092>

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club runs every morning, Monday to Friday at 8:30am. Anyone is welcome to attend. There is no registration or fee!! Typically there is a choice of sausages, toast, cereal, eggs, hashbrowns and pancakes. Each day is a little different!

Thank you to those people that offered to help out with the breakfast club! If anyone else is interested in helping, please let Tanya MacDonald know. Thanks!

The 8:30am Breakfast Club is continuing. Students are spread out in the Gym at large tables. The Breakfast program is open to all students with the intent to provide a healthy and nourishing start to the day. Parents make the decision about participation in the program.

BATTERY RECYCLING PROGRAM

We have a battery recycling box located in the office, if you have old batteries you would like to drop off.

FOOD RECOVERY PROGRAM

The Food Recovery Program will once again be handing out food in the under-cover area at the back of Miller Park Elementary. Any Miller Park family registered with City Reach Adopt-a-School initiative can stop by to grab some fresh fruit, bread and frozen meat! This program is now limited to Miller Park families who would like to get some extra food.

This program will resume in September!

Registration is required. Please email Shreya at sqazi@sd43.bc.ca

MILLER PARK SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021 - 2022

Last Day of School for all Students
Beach Day
Administrative Day

Wed, June 29, 2022 dismissal at 12:00pm
Wed. June 29th
Thurs, June 30, 2022

The provincial government recently announced that K-12 public schools will observe Friday, September 30th as a statutory holiday in recognition of Truth and Reconciliation Day. As a result of the announcement, SD43 will be amending the 2022-2023 School Calendar to include Truth and Reconciliation Day as a non-instructional day. As such, all school district sites will be closed Friday, September 30, 2022. Students and staff will continue to recognize SD43's commitment to truth and reconciliation with school-based activities and learning during that week, including Orange Shirt Day. Details around activities and observances will be shared in September but in the meantime, it was important to share this change to the school calendar with families as soon as possible.

Home and School Communication

Please remember to contact the school if your child is away. You can call the school in the morning between 8:30-8:55 am at 604-936-4208 or you can go online to the Miller Park website at and go under the quick links which will bring up a short form you can fill in and submit. We would like to maintain close communication with our parent community throughout the school year. If your e-mail, phone number or address changes throughout the year, please make sure you notify Mrs. Phelan at the office.