



Miller Park Weekly Parent News

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“Together We Are Stronger”

Message from the Principal

CLOTHING DRIVE

EXTENDED!

Drop off donations of NEW or GENTLY USED, CLEAN clothes to the front entrance of Miller Park until June 7th

FREE CLOTHING GIVE AWAY

will be in June. Date will be announced soon!

REMINDER!

Monday June 6 is a Pro D Day. Students do not attend.

BEAR AWARE

We have had 2 bears on the property this past week. Both times have been in the morning before school. They are walking down the alley, across the parking lot and across the back field into the ravine. Please be aware when walking to school in the morning.

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.

FREEZIE FRIDAY

Freezie Friday!!!

Every Friday until the end of the school year PAC will be selling Freezies for \$1.

NED's Mindset Mission Virtual Presentation

A notice went home this week about a virtual presentation that happened today at school. If you wish to purchase a yoyo for your child, please complete the form that was sent home and return to school. Yoyo's will be for sale for one week.

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 last week:

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

Grade 5 Leaving:

We will be hosting the Grade 5 leaving on June 24, 2022 at 1:00pm in the school gym. More information will be coming to parents from the grade 5 teachers. Just a reminder that if you haven't sent in photos, to please do so asap. Also, please return the form sent home indicating the number of adults that will be attending.

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:

On Wednesday evening, Miller Park PAC elected our Parent Advisory Council Executive Officers for the 2022-2023 school year. Thank you to our new PAC executive for volunteering their time and energy. Thank you to Jenn Ivison (President) and Andrea Pantages (Vice President) as well as the other members of the outgoing PAC Executive for their hard work and dedication to the school over the past several years.

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

Any grade four student who, along with their parent, would like to be responsible for checking and sending the batteries in to be recycled, please see Ms. Audette.

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.

Please stop by on the following dates between 2:35 – 3:00pm

- June 7, 2022
- June 21, 2022

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

Ned's Mindset Mission Virtual Presentation
Non-Instructional Day (School-based)
Connecting to Kindergarten
Twin, Triplet etc. DAY
Grade 5 Leaving Ceremony
Last Day of School for all Students
Administrative Day

Friday June 3, 2022
Mon, June 6, 2022
Tuesday June 7, 2022
Friday June 10, 2022
Fri. June 24, 2022@1:00pm – 2:30pm
Wed, June 29, 2022 dismissal at 12:00pm
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.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Summer Learning opportunities will be available this year in SD43. Please see attached flyer with information about what is being offered and how to register.

Summer Learning – SD43
Please see attached flyer for more information.

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE MONTH

“May is Speech and Hearing Month!”

Spoken language is the lifeblood of the classroom. It underpins all learning, relationships, and mental health. Even if you've never heard of Developmental Language Disorder (DLD), you probably know

someone with it. DLD is very common, and on average, two children in every class of 30 have the condition. [This video](#) gives more information on this misunderstood and often hidden disability. Speech-Language Pathologists works with students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 to support these students in our district. To test your knowledge of speech and language, complete the quiz found [here!](#)”

TRI-CITIES PREDATORS ICE HOCKEY

The Tri-Cities Predators Female Ice Hockey Association are always looking to encourage more girls to sign up to play hockey! They are holding an event to introduce girls to hockey. Please see the link below for more information. The event is free and equipment to “Try Hockey” is provided.

<https://sites.google.com/tricitiesfemaleicehockey.ca/social>