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Sent on behalf of Jennifer Nichols & Tristan McCutcheon...

Hello Maillard Community,

We hope you continue to enjoy this beautiful weather. It looks like we have even more sunshine heading our way next week.

Just a few reminders:

- Photo proofs have been sent home with students. We encourage you to use the online option to order at mylifetouch.ca
- Under the Same Sun Fundraising Relay Wednesday, October 19 after school for students who registered with Ms. Munday
- Interim Reports go home on Thursday, October 20th
- Pro D Day Friday, October 21st.

Finally, with Halloween around the corner, many students are already planning their costumes. Please see the letter below from Superintendent Patricia Gartland about appropriate costumes for school.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jennifer Nichols
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More information about École Maillard Middle School can also be found on our school website at www.sd43.bc.ca/school/maillard

The following message is sent on behalf of Superintendent of Schools Patricia Gartland:

Halloween across all schools in SD43 is a fun and festive day which brings the school community together. Typically, the time around Halloween is incident-free and very respectful.

From time to time, a few students “in character” push the boundaries of what is socially acceptable, or what is appropriate behavior in schools, sometimes at the expense of others. With that in mind, for student safety and school climate reasons, and to ensure that every student and adult in our community enjoys the time around Halloween, we would like your assistance in reinforcing these guidelines with your children:

- Students in costume should be easily recognizable and/or identify themselves to any staff member when queried. Also, students “in character” are to conduct themselves appropriately. Behaviors which intimidate, harass or humiliate members of the community do not contribute to a fun, festive, and safe environment.
- Replica weapons (guns, knives, etc.) are inappropriate, as are costumes which are hyper-sexualized, or costumes which depict elements of sexual exploitation.
- It is also important to note that costumes which portray negative stereotypes or that demean or make fun of any group of people are inappropriate. Costumes should not make light of anyone’s religious, cultural, ethnic or racial group.

As a reminder, by law and School District expectations, the use and possession of firecrackers or fireworks at school is strictly prohibited. This pertains to students before, during or after school, on or offsite.

With respect for each other, we can avoid any disruption to school communities in the form of vandalism and/or disrespectful, potentially dangerous behaviour. Students and parents need to be mindful that inappropriate behaviour will be addressed by school administration under the authority granted by the BC School Act and with the involvement of police where appropriate.

Please refer to these readily available public websites for more information:

<https://www.coquitlam.ca/286/Fire-Safety-Tips>

<https://www.portcoquitlam.ca/city-services/fire-emergency-services/fire-safety-information/>

<https://www.portmoody.ca/en/city-services/fall-safety-tips.aspx#Halloween-Safety>

Have a safe and happy Halloween.

Sincerely,

Patricia Gartland
Superintendent/CEO

Maillard Spirit Wear!

There was large interest in a **Maillard Clothing Order** based on the athletics survey at the beginning of the year. To place an order, click on this link →

<https://maillardspiritwearfall2022.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

Mrs. Yau's favourites are the Crewneck Fleece and the Joggers!

Orders are due **October 27th** so that we can receive it before the Winter Break! If you put in an order over summer, your order will be arriving early next week.

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On the Calendar: View this year’s upcoming events at [Maillard School Calendar](#)

-Wed Oct 19: Under The Same Sun Team Relay Fundraiser @ 3:30PM to 4:30PM

-Thu Oct 20: Interim Reports to go home

-Fri Oct 21: District Wide Professional Development Day-No classes for students

- Thu Oct 27: Order your Maillard Middle Spirit Wear by today!
<https://maillardspiritwearfall2022.itemorder.com/shop/home/>
- Mon Oct 31: Halloween Parade of costumes-information to follow
- Mon Nov 7: Monthly PAC Meeting-Learning Commons (Rm 311) @7PM
- Thu Nov 10: Remembrance Day Assembly-Time TBC
- Fri Nov 11: Remembrance Day – School is not in session
- Wed Nov 16: Gr 6 Immunizations (more info to follow)
- Wed Nov 23: Photo Re-Take Day

In September, the Ministry of Education released the *erase* training schedule which includes complimentary Social Media Awareness Student Sessions for parents and caregivers. We would encourage you to register for one of the following workshops:

- November 15 from 6:30 – 7:30pm [Register Student with Parent Session 1 - November 15, 2022 \(event-wizard.com\)](#)
- November 30 from 6:30 – 7:30pm [Register Student with Parent Session 2 - November 30, 2022 \(event-wizard.com\)](#)

Attachments:

-no attachments

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