



Silverback News

Mapes Elementary School: Home of the Silverbacks!

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Happy Birthday!

Best Birthday wishes to our students celebrating a birthday in September:

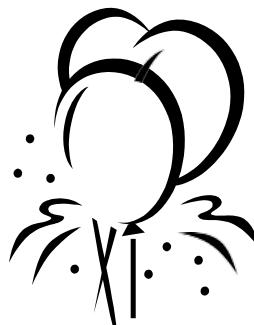
05 - Bailey

07 - DaniLyn

09 - Eddy

21 - Lyla

24 - Owen



Stay up-to-date with what's going on in our school community by checking out our Website at <https://mapes.sd91.bc.ca/>

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sep. 21st - Board Mtg @ 6:00 pm
@ School Board Office

Sep. 25th - District Planning Day
(no school for students)

Sep. 28th - Terry Fox Run

Sep. 29th - Photo Day 😊

Sep. 29th - PAC meeting @ 2pm

Sep. 30th - Orange Shirt Day

Oct. 12th - Thanksgiving Day

Hi Mapes parents:

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. As we move forward in this unique school year, I am sure there will be some questions concerning how the year is going. Please let us know of any questions you have; chances are someone else has the same question.

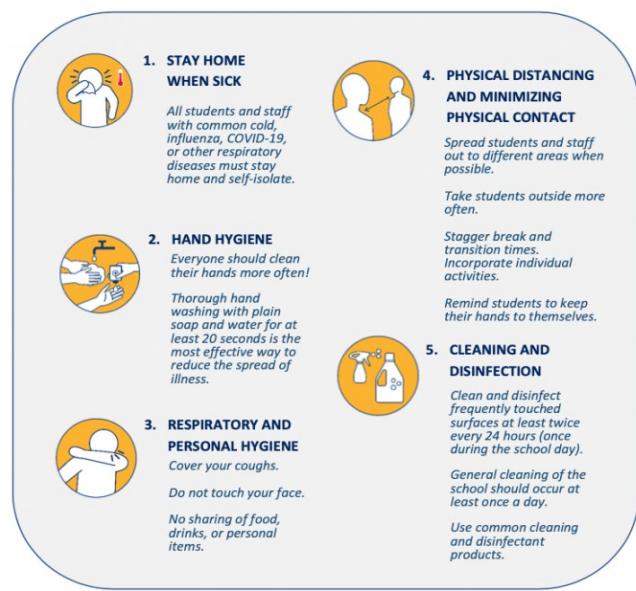
It was so great having the school full of students today for the first time since mid-March. Everyone has settled in well. The last three days have been very positive.

With the start of this year, we have some staff changes to note. Marcia Kelemen will not be back at Mapes this year. Also, Crystal Slatten, who joined us at the start of June, has accepted a position at a different school. These two have been incredibly valuable to our students and staff. We will miss their hard work and knowledge. And we wish them both the best. Nick Ferguson, our district counsellor, will be back with us on Fridays this year.

I would also like to extend an invitation to all of our Mapes parents to attend our first PAC meeting of this school year. It will be held at 2pm on Tuesday, Sept 29.

Please ensure you are doing a health/symptom check of your children each morning before school.

~ Mrs. Geddes





SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 91 (NECHAKO LAKES)

2020/21 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Friday, September 25	District Planning Day
Monday, October 12	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, October 23	Pro D Day – Provincial
Wednesday, November 11	Remembrance Day
Friday, November 27	Pro D Day
December 21 – January 1	Winter Break
Monday, January 4	Schools Reopen
Monday, February 15	Family Day
Friday, February 26	Pro D Day
March 22 – April 5	Spring Break (includes Easter)
Tuesday, April 6	Schools Reopen
Friday, April 23	Pro D Day – Zone
Friday, May 14	Pro D Day – District
Monday, May 24	Victoria Day
Tuesday, June 29	Last Day of School for Students – ½ Day
Wednesday, June 30	Schools Close – Admin only

STUDENT LUNCHES

At this time we are asking that students do not bring noodles for lunch.



If you are not yet part of our 'Mapes Elementary Students' Facebook group please request to join!

School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes) does not provide any accident insurance coverage for student injuries that occur on school premises or during school activities. You may purchase coverage for your child at www.insuremykids.com or by calling toll free at 1-800-463-KIDS (5437). Please see the attached letter for more information.

The following can be used as an example of a tool that can be used for parents and caregivers to complete prior to their child coming to school. It should be adapted if used for school staff and visitors.

Daily Health Check			
1. Symptoms of Illness*	Does your child have any of the following symptoms?	CIRCLE ONE	
	Fever	YES	NO
	Chills	YES	NO
	Cough or worsening of chronic cough	YES	NO
	Shortness of breath	YES	NO
	Sore throat	YES	NO
	Runny nose / stuffy nose	YES	NO
	Loss of sense of smell or taste	YES	NO
	Headache	YES	NO
	Fatigue	YES	NO
	Diarrhea	YES	NO
	Loss of appetite	YES	NO
	Nausea and vomiting	YES	NO
	Muscle aches	YES	NO
	Conjunctivitis (pink eye)	YES	NO
	Dizziness, confusion	YES	NO
	Abdominal pain	YES	NO
	Skin rashes or discoloration of fingers or toes	YES	NO
2. International Travel	Have you or anyone in your household returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	YES	NO
3. Confirmed Contact	Are you or is anyone in your household a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	YES	NO

*Check BCCDC's [Symptoms of COVID-19](#) regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

If you answered "YES" to any of the questions and the symptoms are not related to a pre-existing condition (e.g. allergies) your child should **NOT** come to school.

If they are experiencing any symptoms of illness, contact a health-care provider for further assessment. This includes 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner.

If you answered "YES" to questions 2 or 3, use the [COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool](#) to determine if you should be tested for COVID-19.