

Marie Sharpe Elementary

Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

Nov 6: Hot Lunch – Pork Quesadillas \$2
Nov 8: Photo Retakes
Nov 8: Remembrance Day Assembly 11:00
Nov 11 – Remembrance Day: NO SCHOOL
Nov 13: Hot Lunch – Chicken Strips and Veggies \$2
Nov 13/14: One Hour Early Dismissal
Nov 20: Hot Lunch – Pizza \$2 a slice
Nov 25: Pro-D
Nov 27: FREE Hot lunch – Taquitos

School Secretary

The school district is interviewing for a new secretary, but in the meantime, you will likely notice that the phones are not being answered as regularly. To help us out, we are asking that parents and guardians please relay information like changes in pick up to the school by writing it in your child's planner, and by logging absences through the School Messenger App: [School Messenger App \(sd27.bc.ca\)](https://sd27.bc.ca) or by calling 1-888-698-6567.

Restorative Practices

At our school, we use restorative practices to help build a positive community and solve conflicts in a respectful way. Restorative practices focus on understanding each other's feelings and finding solutions that work for everyone involved. Instead of just giving punishments when someone makes a mistake, we try to bring everyone together to talk openly, share their feelings, and come up with a plan to make things right. Sometimes this also involves consequences, but restoration is always a part. This approach helps students learn from their actions, take responsibility, and improve their relationships with others. By working together to solve problems, we create a safer, more supportive school where everyone feels valued and heard.

Student Recognition

Students have been working hard to be their best selves here at school. We are seeing tremendous efforts by our students to show pride in who they are and what our school stands for. We are especially proud of the students who are stepping up and showing great skills in both empathy and restoration. Students of the week for the month of October were: Christopher Wilkinson, Ryder Debasio-Veale, Hailey Engelquist, Shaiden Glover, Keelan McCoubrey, Harjasleendeep Garcha, Jimmy Duffy, Vanessa Sanchez-Ayon, Rich Om, Leon Kornelson, Liam McLean, and Macy Sargent



Where to Look?

Lots of amazing things are happening around our school and the school district. Good places to go to see highlights of what is happening are: [Key Focus Areas for Enhancing Learner Success](#) When you click on the links you will get to see all the amazing work that is happening around our district as we work towards our District Strategic Plan. Each school also has a part of the district webpage dedicated to the school, and we are working on building that up. Right now basic information like calendars, newsletters, and handbooks can be found there, but this will grow. Check it out here: [Marie Sharpe](#)

PAC Fundraiser

Our amazing PAC is running their first fundraiser of the year: PURDYS CHOCOLATES!! Check out the link below to order. All money earned from the fundraiser goes right back into the school supporting PAC initiatives such as lunch time clubs, Fun Day, field trips and more.

[Purdys Chocolatier Group Savings and Fundraising](#)

Prepared for the Weather

Cold (and sometime wet) weather is now settling in here in Williams Lake. A reminder to caregivers that we head outside to play and learn in all kinds of weather. Please make sure you are sending jackets, boots, gloves, a toque, and a change of clothes for younger students just in case the puddles/wet snow are super enticing.

School Sports

Earlier this month a group of dedicated runners participated in the district cross country meet. Students ran their hearts out and had the best year yet for results. A huge thank you to Mrs. Reedman and Meagan Bobrowski for leading our team.



This month has seen our grade 5/6 group take on the sport of Volleyball. Games have been happening Mondays after school. We will take a break from school sports through the month of December and will return to school ready to start basketball in January.

PAC Movie Night

Our amazing PAC group is planning another fun movie night for Friday November 26th. This is a great community event that allows us to join for a night of fun. More information to come.