

Marie Sharpe Elementary

Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

Sept 18 – Welcome Back Evening
Sept 18 – PAC meeting and AGM
Sept 19 – Practice Fire Drill
Sept 23 – pro-d day
Sept 24 – Strong Start Opens
Sept 25 – Terry Fox Run
Sept 27 – Orange Shirt Day
Sept 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No School)

Attendance

Regular attendance is crucial for school success, and your child's success is important to all of us here at Marie Sharpe. Studies show that students who miss just 10% of school days are at risk for failing/not completing school. If you are picking your child up early from school, please make sure you have let the office know.

Communication

When caregivers have questions or concerns, we ask they speak directly with the classroom teacher first. Teachers are always open and willing to problem-solve with caregivers. If the concern has been communicated and you still are concerned, then please get in touch with Kelly. Teacher contact information is below:

Staff Contact Info

Staff Member	Position	Email
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PAC

PAC is an amazing way to connect with and to the school. We are actively seeking new members to join us as we grow our learning community. Being part of the PAC does not mean you have to attend all the meetings or devote tons of time to our activities, but we need more people to help with some great ideas that are brewing. Our first PAC meeting is scheduled for the night of our Welcome Back to School Gathering.

Grade 5 Active Pass Program

This program offers every grade 5 student, in the Central Cariboo Recreation Tax Area, a free membership for the duration of their grade 5 year. The grade 5 pass includes free admission to the following: everyone welcome swims, rec swims, toonie skates, and public skates.

School Supplies

We are continuing the school supply program where families can purchase supplies through the school for \$40. We are fortunate to be able to access great discounts so the prices is greatly reduced compared to purchasing on your own.

Personal belongings: Toys and Technology

We will continue to ask caregivers to check and make sure their child is not bringing toys to school. Toys often create a distraction in classrooms and get lost on the playground creating understandable grief. This applies to technology as well. **If your child brings their phone to school, we ask that it is kept in their backpack for the entire day.**

Fundraiser

Mrs. Uppal's 5/6 class is on a fundraising journey this year to help fund a great year end field trip. They are ready to go with their first fundraiser. Check out the amazing kitchen products available through this BC company **starting September 27th.**

**We are
FUNDRAISING!**

High Quality,
Organic Kitchen linens,
Snack bags and MORE!

SCAN
ME
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Support us by
selecting our
organization when
you place your
order.

www.ygkfundraising.ca

When checking out – make sure to enter your child's first and last name before hitting "checkout" so we know who it is going to. When you are in the shipping section, choose Marie Sharpe as the location.

Upcoming Community Events



HARVEST NUTRITION

5 km Run / Walk / Bike / Wheel

SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 22

11am - 12:30pm / CMRC Parking Lot

FREE Family Event

Celebrate the Fall Harvest

Fun scavenger hunt

Fresh snacks and prizes

Everyone welcome to do the 5km loop

Remember to bring your water bottle

Thank you to our
sponsors:





10th ANNUAL ORANGE SHIRT DAY

*Every Child
Matters™*



held in partnership with



Williams Lake



**FRI 22
SEPT**

**WLFN Culture
Creations Fair
11:00 am to 7:00 pm**
ELIZABETH GROUSE GYMNASIUM

- Medicine Bags with beading
- Drum Kits
- Ribbon Skirts

**25-29
SEPT**

**St. Joseph Mission Photo
Exhibition "Remembering
Our Friends" Daily from
10:00 am to 3:00 pm**
GIBRALTAR ROOM

Feature Films showing daily from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

- Monday - "Beyond the Shadows"
- Tuesday - "Unity Ride"
- Wednesday - "Fifth Estate" 12-1pm & "We Were Children" 7-9pm
- Thursday - "Man Alive"

**WED 27
SEPT**

**Opening Ceremony -
Lighting of Sacred Fire
7:00 pm**
WL STAMPEDE GROUNDS

- Opening prayer, drumming, smudging - everyone welcome
- Wagon Rides throughout

**THU 28
SEPT**

**SD27 Students Attend
10:00 am to 12:00 pm**
WL STAMPEDE GROUNDS

- Opening Ceremony
- Speeches
- Activities
- Wagon Rides throughout

**FRI 29
SEPT**

**OSD Activities
Everyone Welcome
10:00 am to 5:00 pm**
WL STAMPEDE GROUNDS

- 10 am Opening Ceremonies & Truth Telling
- 1 pm Entertainment - Hypnotist Show
- 3 pm C+ Bull Riding Show - admission by donation
- 10 am to 4 pm Artisan & Food Vendors
- Wagon Rides throughout
- Health & Wellness Services on site

BOITANIO SKATE PARK

- Orange Shirt Day Skate Jam with Rosie Archie. BBQ & Skateboard Workshop 3:30 - 8:00 pm

**SAT 30
SEPT**

**OSD Official Program
Everyone Welcome
9:30 am to 5:00 pm**
WL STAMPEDE GROUNDS

- 7:30 am Free Pancake Breakfast (only 800 available, first come first served)
- 9:30 am Opening Ceremonies & Speeches
- 1 pm Indian Relay Races - admission by donation
- 1 pm Lahal tournament starts
- 10 am to 4 pm Artisan & Food Vendors
- 5:00 pm Free Food Truck Dinner (first 400 served)
- Wagon Rides throughout
- Health & Wellness Services on site

CHIEF WILLIAM POW WOW ARBOR

- 5:00 Feast with speeches, story telling, and regalia dance - everyone welcome

- NATIONAL CENTRE FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION WILL BE AT THE GIBRALTAR ROOM 28TH & 29TH WITH ARCHIVES
- WLFN COMMUNITY BUS MAKING 3 TRIPS DAILY TO/FROM SUGAR CANE AND STAMPEDE GROUNDS

