



March 2021

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FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Caregivers,

How quick the time flies! It seemed like just yesterday we came back from the holiday season and here we are approaching Spring Break. A reminder Spring Break is for two weeks, Monday March 15th to Friday March 26th, **with school reopening on Monday March 29th**

Many thanks to staff and students who helped with our recent Anti-Bullying "Teams" Assembly that was seen in every classroom. The work staff and students did to make it our own assembly with various videos, songs etc... truly helped send the message. Mr. Bamford and his choir group sang a couple of songs for us ("Count on Me" and "True Colours"). In addition, Divisions 1-3 and Ms. Peace put together a moving video to help illustrate the message in video form with our students being the main stars. "You Have A Friend In Me" was sung by the following classes: Ms. Robinson/Ms. Eathorne, Ms. Kraft, Mrs. Galloway, Mrs. Heese/Mrs. Mark and Mrs. Dawson. Mrs. Eathorne put that video together and finally Mrs. Eathorne, Mrs. Virtanen and Mrs. Lovstad and their Grade 1 students sang "The Power of One."

There has been a lot going on at McGirr the past little while. I would like to thank our teachers, educational assistants and other support staff for their excellent work this school year.

Thanks, as always, to members of our PAC for their continued contributions to the school. It looks different this year, but there is work being done "behind the scenes." The staff, and students of the McGirr community, appreciate your help and assistance

Yours truly,

Mr. Robbie Dhillon
Principal

VICE-PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

February has been a wonderful time to see school spirit at McGirr. After our February snow, it was great to see the teamwork and cooperation of student working together to build snowmen and different structures. The fine arts videos created for Pink Shirt Day really highlighted the messages of friendship, kindness and inclusion. Thank you to the staff and students for all they do to make McGirr a great place to be!

It is wonderful to see the first signs of spring appear the last couple of weeks. I hope families have opportunities over the Spring Break to enjoy the outdoors.

Mrs. Jennifer Robinson
Vice-Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021

Last Day before Spring Break/Easter Fri. Mar 12
First Day back Mon Mar 29

Good Friday (students do not attend)..... Fri Apr 2
Easter Monday (students do not attend)..... Mon Apr 5
PAC (6:30 PM) Mon Apr 19

Non Instructional Day (students do not attend)..... Fri May 7
PAC (6:30 PM) Mon May 17
Victoria Day (students do not attend) Mon May 24

PAC (6:30 PM) Mon Jun 21
Formative Report Issued Tues Jun 29
Last Day of School (school dismissed at 2:10).... Tues Jun 29
Administration Day Wed Jun 30

APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR WEATHER CONDITIONS



The cool, wet weather can appear any time on the "wet" coast. There may be days students will ask the question "Is it an inside day?" The answer on most days is no. Students will be going outside to play at recess and lunch unless it is raining heavily. We thank you for ensuring your child comes to school with appropriate rain and cool weather clothing. At McGirr we believe in the importance of fresh air and outside play for all students and appreciate your assistance in this regard. **It is also advisable students have a change of clothes in their school bags, including socks.** Warm gloves are always a good idea as well.

ARE YOU MOVING IN OR OUT OF THE AREA?

If you are moving (and you child is changing schools) please advise the office as soon as possible. Your co-operation greatly assists us in determining our numbers and school organization for the upcoming school year. Please also ensure you have registered your child at your new catchment area school as well. If you know of a family moving into our school community (or has already moved in), encourage them to come in to register before June 15 as this is the district deadline for guaranteed placement in our school. After that date, we can still accept students from within our community providing we have room for them, but we may not be able to confirm this until September.

