# **Miracle Beach Elementary School Newsletter**

Hello Miracle Beach Families,

Here are this week's information items. New items are in Yellow.

#### Week at a Glance

November 6	November 7	November 8	November 9	November 10
Yard Clean Up – Mr. Biegler's Class Grade 6 Immunizations	Leadership - Recycling Noon – Choir Practice 2:45 – Staff Meeting	Grade 6 Volleyball @ Home Grade 7 Volleyball @ Puntledge	Noon – Leadership Soup Program 2:45 - EPortfolio session for Staff	Ms. Gailloux's and Ms. McKay's Class Fieldtrip – Curling Noon - Tone Chimes 1:15 - Remembrance Day Assembly
November 13	November 14	November 15	November 16	November 17
Remembrance Day – No School	Yard Clean Up – Mr. Biegler's Class Noon – Choir 2:30 – EA Meeting	Grade 6 Volleyball @ Huband Grade 7 Volleyball @ Home 6:30 – PAC Meeting	Noon – Leadership	Ms. Gravel's and Ms. Cadden's Class Fieldtrip – Swimming Hot lunch Noon - Tone Chimes

Upcoming dates to note:

- November 23 Parent teacher interviews (No School)
- November 28 Last Day of Term 1
- December 8 MyEd Learning Summary sent home
- December 8 PAC Craft fair

# Parent Teacher Conferences / Student Led-Conferences

Parent-Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Thursday, November 23, but we understand that this date may not work for everyone. In order to provide more flexibility, some of our teachers are offering alternative days for meetings.

To secure a convenient time slot for a discussion with your student's teacher, please click on the link below to register and schedule your appointment.

https://secure.parentinterviews.com/miraclebeach

**Remembrance Day Assembly** – Our Remembrance Day assembly is on Friday November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm. Families are welcome to join us. Our students have prepared a program that includes music, poetry, and reflections to pay tribute to those who have served.

**EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURES** - There will be occasions when schools must temporarily close due to inclement weather, power outages or for emergency reasons. The superintendent may make the decision to temporarily close any or all district schools/ offices when the safety of students and staff may be compromised. Parents, students, and school district staff will be informed through the school alerting system, email, Facebook, Twitter & Instagram, and by notifying local media by 6:30 a.m. – at the latest.

Every attempt will be made to post announcements about closures on the school district website, however, power outages may interfere.

If there is no announcement on the school district website /social media, please be sure to listen to one of the local radio stations:

- 97.3 FM The Eagle
- 98.9 FM The Jet
- 100.7 FM -The Raven

No announcement by 6:30 a.m. indicates that schools are open and operating as usual.

**PAC News** - Fundraising has begun! PAC fundraising supports many important initiatives in the school such as the musical, buses for field trips, classroom funds, new sports equipment, and much more. However, it is not the expectation that parents support every or any fundraiser. A wide variety of fundraisers are offered throughout the year so that parents can choose whether they want to support them.

We are grateful for any contributions parents make and as a committee we ensure that these funds are allocated to the school in a way that is not only responsible but improves the student community experience. If you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns about fundraising at MBE, please contact your PAC executive at <u>miraclebeachpac@gmail.com</u>.

In addition, we encourage parents to get involved by volunteering for any current committees including;

- Events Committee,
- Mental Health Committee,
- Fun Fair Committee ,
- and of course our Fundraising Committee.

Please send an email to the PAC if you want to get involved!

Accessibility Committee - School District #71 (Comox Valley) has a new accessibility committee which has been formed to meet the requirements of the Accessible BC Act and better serve the needs of our students, staff and community. We need feedback from all parties! We want to know what works well in terms of accessibility, and also where we can improve. Please follow this link for more information. https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/accessibility-in-comox-valley-schools/

#### **PAC Fundraising**



Ordering Link: https://www.promoplace.com/miraclebeach

# Ordering closes on November 12th at 11:59pm

Upcoming PAC Fundraising

FUNDRAISING SALES Fundraiser coming soon! Soon you will receive a fundraising package featuring Dieleman's catalogues! This fundraiser supports the programs and tools our students need to succeed. We thank you in advance as your participation and generosity will help

us achieve our goal!

Our fundraiser begins November 6, 2023

#### Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school library! What better way to promote reading to our students than by supporting this important literary event.

We invite your entire family to participate by purchasing the latest and greatest in children's books. Did you know that for every \$10 you spend at the Fair, up to \$6 goes directly back to our school library? And we are having a family door prize – you can win \$25 for yourself and for your student's classroom teacher – just enter in the library!

You'll find hundreds of quality books at our Book Fair with a wide assortment for all reading levels. Attached is a Book Fair flyer that provides a preview of only a FEW of the many books available to purchase at our Fair.

Don't forget to mark the Book Fair dates on your calendar! We look forward to seeing you during our Scholastic Book Fair and thank you, in advance, for supporting this great literary fundraiser. Mostly, thank you for believing in books and the importance reading has on your child's future.

We are also looking for volunteers to help out on Thursday November 23rd. Please let us know if you can volunteer.

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Book Fair Dates: Wednesday, Nov 22nd – Friday, Nov 24th.

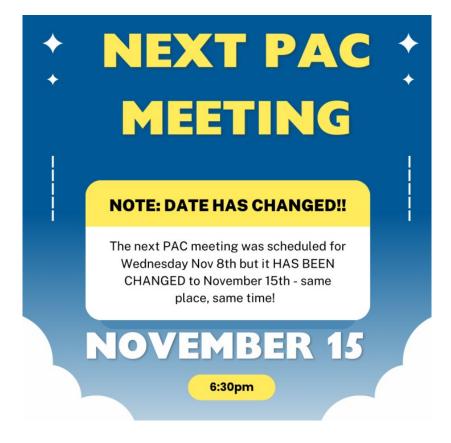
Times: Wednesday, preview day

Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (parent/teacher interview day)

Friday, 8:15am - 3 p.m.
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We accept cheques made payable to our school, Debit, Visa, and MasterCard.





Choir - Choir shirts have arrived and will be handed out next week! If you haven't paid, can you please send \$20 or send an e-transfer to <u>MiracleBeach@sd71.bc.ca</u> (Please indicate student name and Choir shirt)

Upcoming Dates:

- Nov. 10 Remembrance Day Assembly 1:15 pm please wear choir shirt
- Nov. 16 Recording CBC song at school please wear choir shirt
- Nov. 23 Choir Retreat AM
- Both songs need to be memorized for Tuesday's choir practice!! Students can practice the songs on my website <a href="https://jboersma4.wixsite.com/music">https://jboersma4.wixsite.com/music</a>

THANK YOU for Brazen Sportswear for giving us a great deal on the choir t-shirts! <u>www.hitecprint.com</u> THANK YOU to Rebecca Williams for accompanying the choir during practices and performances!

#### Tone Chimes

Upcoming Performance – Nov. 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly – 1:15 pm

# **Music Program**



*Thursday, Nov. 23* – Choir Retreat (at school) Morning only (This is on the Parent-Teacher Conferences when students don't have school) More information to come.

# **Family Learning Sessions**

Three virtual <u>erase</u> learning sessions for families will be held on November 8, 28, and 30, focusing on establishing safe, caring, and respectful digital communities. These online sessions are best suited for families and youth aged 10 and above.



# erase Family Sessions 2023/2024

Questions regarding general erase training may be emailed to: erase@gov.bc.ca

Family Session: Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities – Everyone Welcome! Recommended for Parents/Caregivers/Grandparents	Nov 8, 6:30pm	https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732334942527?aff=oddtdtcr eator

and youth aged 10 and up as a way to facilitate the conversation of safe and caring use of technology at home and in the community. This session covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the	Nov 28, 7:00pm	https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732343096917?aff=oddtdtcr eator
criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion. Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed.	Nov 30, 6:30pm	https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732346587357?aff=oddtdtcr eator

**Volleyball** – Thank you to Mr. Biegler (Grade 7) and Ms. Berg (Grade 6) for Coaching Volleyball this year.

We are in need of drivers for Volleyball games. If you are able to drive, please contact the school to complete the necessary paperwork.

Date	Grade 6	Grade 7
November 8	@ Home vs Puntledge	@ Puntledge
November 15	@ Huband	@ Home vs Huband
November 22	@ Cumberland	@ Home vs Cumberland
November 29	@ Home vs Valley View	@ Gaglardi

# School Bus

Rules for Riding the Bus

- Be at the bus stop 5 minutes ahead of the posted schedule. The bus will not wait for those who are late
- Stay on the shoulder or sidewalk, well away from the pavement, while waiting for the bus
- Do not run beside the bus while it is moving
- Boarding the bus will be in single file
- No saving spots in line or seats on the bus
- Take your seat right away
- The bus driver is always in charge
- Remain seated while the bus is in motion
- No eating on the school bus
- No fighting, bullying or horseplay on the bus
- Do not throw litter out the window of the bus
- Always keep head and arms in the bus

Pictures







Feel free to email me at <u>zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca</u> if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

**Zale Darnel** Principal, Miracle Beach Elementary