

# 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

April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26
Yard Clean Up – Ms. Gailloux's Class	<b>No Strong Start</b> David Dawson Indigenous Education Visit  2:45 – Health and Safety Meeting	Noon – Environment Club  1:00 – Primary Gym Sale	9:45 – Fire Drill  Noon - Leadership  Noon – Soup Day	Hot Lunch  PAC Community Garage Sale
April 29	April 30	May 1	May 2	May 3
Yard Clean Up – Ms. Gailloux's Class	9:00 - Strong Start  Ms. Ralph & Ms. Rodger's class Field Trip to Deep Bay Marine Station	Ms. Ralph & Ms. Rodger's class Field Trip to Deep Bay Marine Station  Noon – Environment Club  1:00 – Earthquake Drill	Noon - Leadership  Noon – Soup Day  Staff Lunch Team 2	Hot Lunch

Upcoming dates to note:

- May 6 – Grade 6 Immunizations
- May 8 – Track and Field Jamboree
- May 15 – Family Literacy Event
- May 22 & 23 - Musical

## Planning for Next School Year

As we look ahead to the next school year, we kindly ask families to notify the school office (email [Cori.Lally@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:Cori.Lally@sd71.bc.ca)) if will NOT be returning to Miracle Beach Elementary for next school year. Your communication allows us to ensure a seamless transition for all our students and families as we plan for next school year. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

## Bus Expectations

As we strive to maintain a safe and nurturing environment for all members of our school community, we want to take a moment to reinforce the importance of adhering to the rules and regulations while riding the 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

If we could please ask families to:

- **Reinforce Rules at Home:** Please take a moment to review the bus rules with your child and emphasize the importance of following them for their safety and the safety of others.
- **Encourage Communication:** Encourage your child to communicate any concerns or incidents that occur on the bus directly to the driver. This helps us address issues quickly and effectively.
- **Model Respectful Behavior:** Older students play a crucial role as mentors and leaders on the bus. Encourage them to model respectful behavior, following the rules diligently. Their example sets the tone for younger passengers and reinforces the importance of bus safety throughout the school community.

## Musical

Students are encouraged to be practicing at home. If they are in the Arabian Nights Dance or the Friend Like Me Dance, they can practice with the videos below, which will bring you to Miss Boersma's Music Site.

<https://jboersma4.wixsite.com/music/classes>

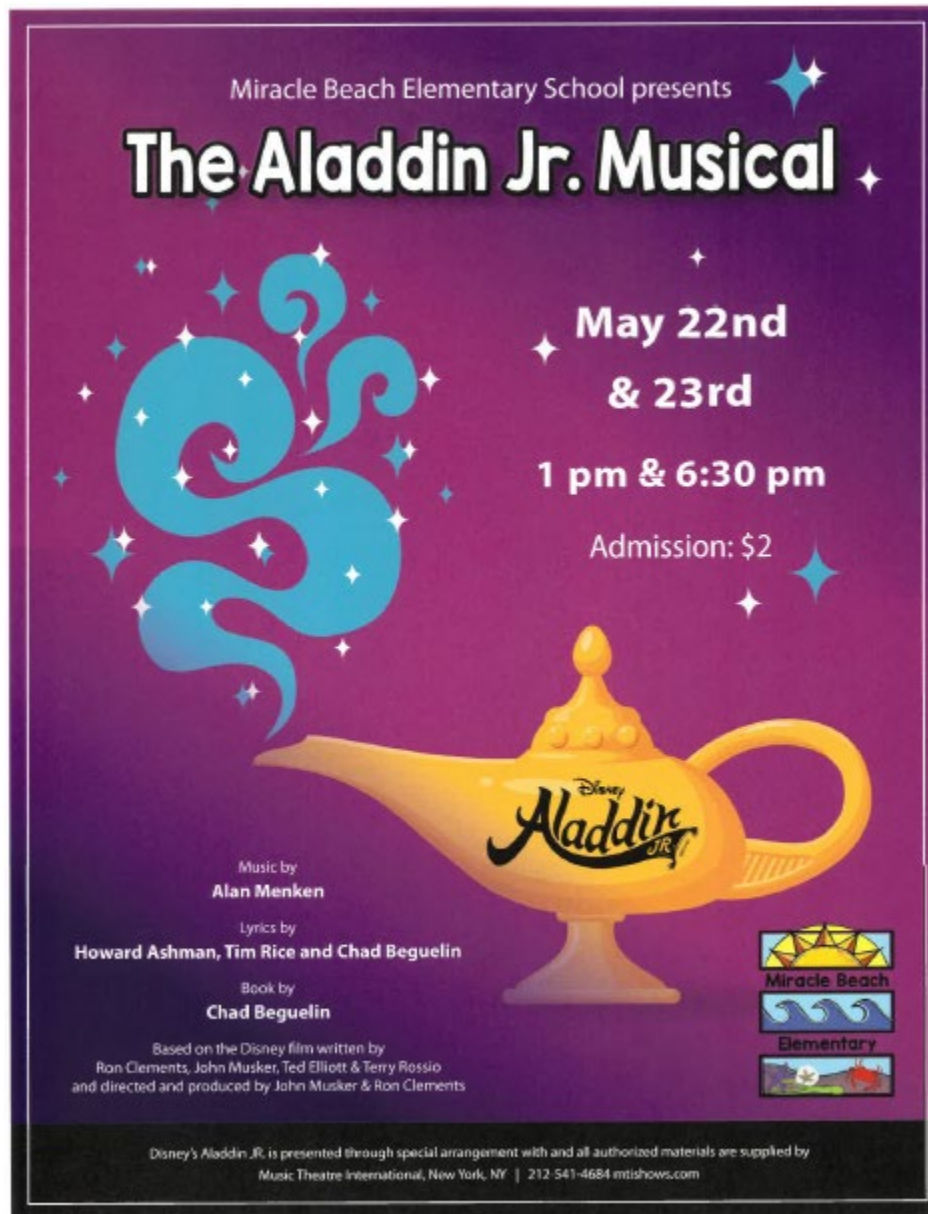
Students can also be singing along at home by listening to the soundtrack on YouTube.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YUtgV1fwAvY&list=PL7tn79KTACMkh2O\\_AccjXpyGycDwR\\_HQC](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YUtgV1fwAvY&list=PL7tn79KTACMkh2O_AccjXpyGycDwR_HQC)

Costumes – emails have already been sent for all main characters. Below is what Townspeople, Vendors and students on the risers should be wearing. If you need help coming up with a costume, please let us know!

Shop Keeper	- footless leggings
Vendors	- large scarf to be tied as a skirt (below the knee)
Townspeople	- shirt
	- bare foot

If you know your child will be absent from any of the afternoon / evening performances on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and May 23<sup>rd</sup>, please email [Jacquelin.boersma@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:Jacquelin.boersma@sd71.bc.ca) so they can plan accordingly.



**Hot Lunch** - The LAST hot lunch menu for this school year is ready for ordering! Orders can be placed here: [mbpac.hotlunches.net](http://mbpac.hotlunches.net)

The next hot lunch menu, **Spring 2 2024 - Hot Lunch**, includes hot lunch on Fridays from April 26th until May 24th. **Ordering for this menu set will start today, and is open until Wednesday, April 24th. Please place your order before this date!!**

Payment methods:

- PayPal or E-transfer. **No cash or cheques please!**
- PayPal -- pay through your PayPal account, or login as a guest.
- E-transfer -- send payment to: [mbhotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:mbhotlunch@gmail.com).

- o Please make sure to note your child's name in the comments section, and what the payment is for (ie. hot lunch).

All proceeds go towards the Miracle Beach PAC, which supports the school and kids activities. Thanks so much for supporting this fundraiser.

**PAC News**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PAC CHAIR</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Are you.....</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A natural born leader,</li> <li>• Good at organization and time management,</li> <li>• Someone who can lead a meeting effectively,</li> <li>• Excited about making a difference?</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">The role of PAC Chair may be a good fit for you!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nominations are open online.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DPAC REP</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Are you.....</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interested in what is happening in school district 71,</li> <li>• Excited to report back on DPAC meetings,</li> <li>• Someone who wants a voice on the executive team,</li> <li>• Excited about making a difference?</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">The role of DPAC Rep may be a good fit for you!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nominations are open online.</p>
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Nominations are now open for next year's executive team. Please use the online form to nominate someone great, or nominate yourself! <https://forms.office.com/r/9aZs9Lm4XR>



### **Primary Gym Sale**

On Wednesday, April 24th the primary students will be holding a gym sale between 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm. Much like a giant community garage sale, student participants will get to be both buyers and sellers. The sale will provide the students with the opportunity to practice some of their mathematical skills as well as expand on what they have been learning about the purpose of money. Most of all, the sale will be for fun! Parents are also welcome to join us for this event.

### **To participate, the students need to do the following BEFORE coming to school on the day of the Primary Gym Sale:**

1. Collect a selection of used items from home to sell to other students. Examples of items include: toys, puzzles, books and games.

\*\* There is no restriction on the number of items a student may bring to sell as long as they all fit in one bag the student can carry. Likewise, a student does not need a lot of items to participate and still have fun. 4 or 5 small sale items are absolutely fine! \*\*

2. Price items using masking tape or a homemade sign (i.e., 25 cents for all small cars).

3. Collect \$5 in change consisting of nickels, dimes and quarters. A loonie and toonie could also be included, however, small change is of greater use when purchasing and making change.

4. Have some sort of moneybox, container or purse for holding change and using as a cash register.

5. Have a blanket, mat or towel to display items for selling.

**\*\*\*\*All items should be brought to school on the morning of Wednesday, April 24th. They should be in a bag (labeled with the student's name) that can be easily stored in the classroom.**

**PLEASE NOTE: This is a REAL sale. Items will truly be sold.**

Students from the Kindergarten classes have been invited to come as buyers.

Our primary gym sale is also a [Y.A.N.A](#) fundraising event. Your child can support Y.A.N.A by donating a portion of his/her profits at the end of the gym sale.

### **Lost and Found**

Throughout the course of this year, our lost and (not yet) found collection has quietly but steadily expanded. **We will be donating our lost and found collection on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to check the lost and found collection prior to April 30<sup>th</sup> to retrieve lost items.** We understand the value of personal belongings and the inconvenience that comes with losing them. Please take a moment to check the lost and found collection before April 30th. This is your opportunity to reclaim any lost items before they find new homes elsewhere.

### **Scent Free School**

We kindly ask for your cooperation in maintaining our scent-free policy. By refraining from using scented products, such as perfumes and colognes, we ensure a comfortable and inclusive space for all students and staff. Your support in creating an inclusive atmosphere is greatly appreciated.

### Recycling for Earth Day

As Earth Day approaches, we are excited to announce a special initiative to help our school contribute to a cleaner, greener planet! Did you know that instead of throwing away your used markers, you can recycle them? That's right! Miracle Beach Elementary is teaming up with Staples Canada to collect and recycle any old, dried-up markers.

Starting today, you can send your used markers with your child to school, and drop them off in the designated collection bin located in the main office. Whether they're dry-erase markers, highlighters, or regular markers, we'll gladly accept them all!

Let's show our planet some love this Earth Day by taking action to reduce waste and protect our environment for future generations. Thank you for joining us in this important initiative!

### Family Literacy Event and Art Walk

Please join us on May 15<sup>th</sup> for a Literacy learning session and fantastic display of student art.

**FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT & ART WALK**

**Join Us!**

**15 May 2024**  
Event starts at 4:30

**Miracle Beach Elementary School**

- Storytime
- Literacy Games
- Parent Information Sessions
- Art Walk in Gym

**WIN A BOOK**

**Refreshments Provided !!**

Childcare will be provided free of charge by Sara O'Malley. Sara is the owner/ operator of our on-site afterschool childcare program Club Kidz.



Pictures



District Reading Link Challenge



Gardening





Waste Management Tour



## Community Information

On May 7th, which is Child and Youth Mental Health Day, there is an online, free event for parents. Kim Barthel, a well-known OT and public speaker, has a free online event on May 7<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm in which she will introduce the basics of attachment theory, trauma-sensitive practice, sustainable self-care and above all, the power of connection and inclusion. Register for this free event here:

[https://familysmart.ca/event/connecting-with-kids/?utm\\_source=FamilySmart+Primary+List&utm\\_campaign=421cc9cd2b-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2023\\_03\\_20\\_10\\_19\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_-615bdb5c19-%5BLIST\\_EMAIL\\_ID%5D](https://familysmart.ca/event/connecting-with-kids/?utm_source=FamilySmart+Primary+List&utm_campaign=421cc9cd2b-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_03_20_10_19_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-615bdb5c19-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D)

## **CLUB KIDZ SUMMER CHILDCARE 2024**

**What:** Club Kidz will be open this summer

**Where:** Black Creek Community Center (downstairs next to the playground)

**When:** July and August, 8am to 5pm

**Cost:** 50\$ per day (subsidy accepted)

**Who:** School age kids

**Why:** Because I like hanging out with kids and playing, while offering them a safe environment to practice and develop their social skills

**Information:** For more information or a registration package please email clubkidz2022@gmail.com

## **Black Creek Community Center Programs**

Learn new skills including stick handling, passing and shooting.

# BLACK CREEK BEARS SOFTBALL

AGES 7 - 9 YRS  
Thursdays, April 25 - June 20  
4:00pm - 5:30pm  
8 sessions

AGES 10 - 14 YRS  
Fridays, April 26 - June 21  
4:00pm - 5:30pm  
8 sessions

**\$95**

at the Black Creek Community Centre Tennis Courts

BLACK CREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE

Black Creek Bears

**SOCCER**

**AGES 5-7 YRS**  
9AM - 10AM

**AGES 8-12 YRS**  
10:15AM - 11:15AM

**\$ 70**  
8 SESSIONS

**SATURDAYS**  
**MAY 11 - JUNE 29**



**BLACK CREEK COMMUNITY CENTRE FIELD**  
**WITH COACH AYO IPAYE**



**MONDAYS, APRIL 22 - JUNE 17**



**4:00PM - 5:30PM**

**AGES 4 - 6 YRS**

**T-BALL**

**\$80**  
**8 SESSIONS**

**With Coach**  
**Steve McNamee**

**Black Creek Community Centre Field**

**DPAC**



Shift Education Inc.

**Period Piece:**  
**A brief history of periods**

**What's changed, what's new**  
**and what's normal**

RSVP not necessary,  
just show up!



**Date:** Thursday, May 2  
**Time:** 6:30-8:00 PST  
**Location:** Zoom  
Meeting ID: 62621239484  
Passcode: 56182

Open to **all** students, parents, & caregivers

email [dpac@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:dpac@sd71.bc.ca)  
for questions & more info



Feel free to email me at [zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca) if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

**Zale Darnel**

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