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Monthly updates for the families of Marlborough Elementary School



SEPTEMBER 2021:

PRINCIPAL: MME FLOYD

VICE-PRINCIPAL: MS. GIACOMAZZA

HEAD TEACHER: MS. CUMMINGS

SECRETARY: MS. CUSTODIO

Welcome Back Huskies!

September has come and gone already and we are happy to say that we are in full swing! Even though we have had a few challenges to our September start, everyone seems to be adjusting to all of us being back in school together. Our Marlborough Huskies are coming to school with smiles on their faces, eager to learn while keeping safe! Please welcome our new staff Mr. Wong, Ms. McKee, Ms. Filipelli, Ms. Rakhra, Ms Liem, Ms Adam, Ms Figliola, Ms Lee and Mr. Luong.

At the school, students have started to take on leadership roles (primary lunch time monitors, office monitors, morning messages, etc.) It is wonderful for when students take an active role in their school community through either participation or service. We encourage all students to find a way to become involved in activities within the school community. We are grateful for all the positive contributions our students make!

The staff of Marlborough looks forward to an exciting and rewarding school year working with you and your children.

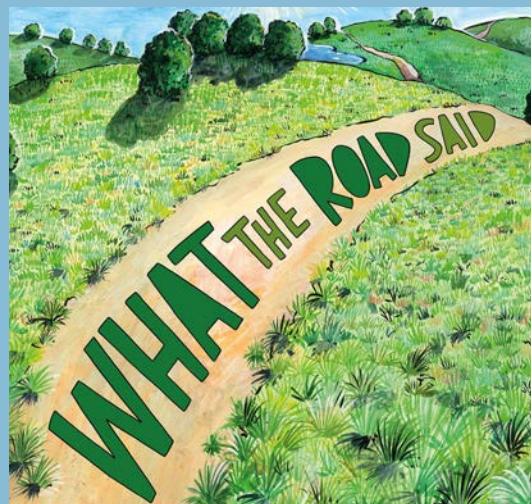
Karen Floyd and Francine Giacomazza

Social-Emotional Learning

This year's school wide theme is all about creating a Caring & Connected Community. Classes read *What the Road Said* by Cleo Wade and engaged in conversations around leading with kindness in our school community and beyond. At Marlborough we are firm believers that together is better! ❤️

Days to Remember:

- Oct. 11 Thanksgiving Day (No School)
- Oct. 21 Individual Student Photo Day
- Oct. 22 Professional Development Day (No School)
- Oct. 29 School Wide Pumpkin Patch in the pm



Safety Before Convenience

As our school population has increased this year with new students and staff, our parking lots continue to be a safety concern. Parents are asked to **park** and **walk** their children from Arrow Street (in front of the East Building) or from the Dover Street parking lot.



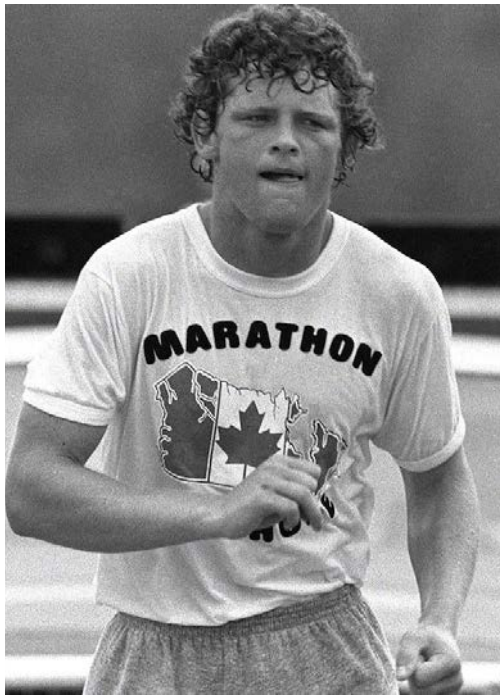
Our parking lot off Nelson is designated for Burnaby School District staff members, Welcome Centre families and the District Learning Resource Centre **only** and there is not enough space for parents to park or drop off when bringing children to school. It is also very unsafe for students and parents to be walking through the parking lot as staff members are arriving and trying to park.

Cell Phones/School Phones

It has become very common for students to have personal cell phones at school. Our position is that these cell phones are intended for, and should only be used for, safety. With that in mind, we ask for your support in reinforcing the following guidelines:

- Cell phones (or any expensive items such as iPods) are here at your child's own risk in terms of loss or breakage.
- Cell phones should remain in students' backpacks during the day, including recess and lunch.
- All cell phones are to be turned off during the school day.

If students need to use the telephone during the day to make important phone calls to parents, they may ask their classroom teacher for a phone pass that allows them to use the office telephone. Students who do not follow these guidelines may have their cell phones confiscated until the end of the school day when a parent can come to the office to pick it up.



"Toonie For Terry"

Classes at Marlborough participated in the 41st Anniversary of the Terry Fox Run today. Classes went out to the school track over the course of the day and enjoyed the dry weather as they walked/ran with their classmates. Congratulations to all our Huskies for raising money towards cancer research.



Attendance

If a student is going to be absent or late for school, please call the school at 604-296-9021 and leave the following information on the voicemail (24 hour system):

Child name

Teacher name

Division

Reason for absence/ lateness



West Coast Recess & Lunch

We know that if children are well prepared to be outside in the rain they actually enjoy it. As long as they stay dry and warm there is a great deal of fun to be had in all kinds of weather. To be prepared to be outside in the rain it is important for your child to have appropriate clothing such as:

- A rain jacket
- Rubber boots so they can enjoy the puddles
- Rain pants
- An umbrella
- A rain hat or coat with a hood
- A change of clothes just in case. (sweatpants, sock, underwear, t-shirt)



Peanut Awareness

We are a peanut aware school. There are many students in our school who have a severe allergy to peanuts and/or nuts. To respect the health concerns of our student and school community members, please avoid sending food with nuts and/or nut ingredients in snacks and lunches. Healthy alternatives include soy beans, raisins, celery or carrot sticks. We thank you for your cooperation.



Library Update

Dear Parents,

This year promises to be another exciting one in the library! We will continue to focus on the notion of story and the joy that comes with finding those "just right" stories that capture the imagination and inspire us to be our best selves. We are so fortunate to have access to a large collection of books in both English and French which allow readers of all levels and interests to satisfy their needs.

In addition to our focus on reading and storytelling, we will continue our work in developing information literacy skills in our students. We aim to build the skills students need for good digital citizenship and for success in locating, analyzing and using information sources ethically in order to perform defined tasks.

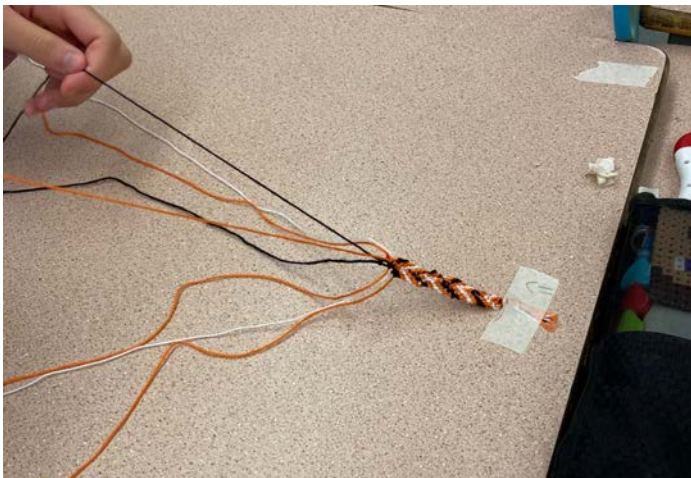
Thank you for your continued support of our program. We are looking forward to a successful year!

Mr. Irwin, Teacher-Librarian



Orange Shirt Day

On October 29, students and teachers honoured and acknowledged the residential survivors through various reading activities and conversations in their classrooms.



Weaving orange bracelets to give to a friend. They are a symbol of remembrance and an offering of care and connection within our school community



Window display by Ms. Lee's Kindergarten students



Ms. Tratt's Grade 2 students

Individual School Photo Day Safety



October 21st

- We will photograph all students standing to eliminate contact with the seat
- One photo will be taken and we will produce 2 images
- Online preview in 48 hours after the individual photos have been taken (online ordering)
- Login information will be provided to each student on photo day
- The photographer will stay behind the camera and pose the student from a safe distance.
- All photography lineups will have students lined up 6 feet apart.

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A Reminder to Parents : Lunch Utensils

Please remember to include spoons, and forks in your child's lunch or recess snack. Unfortunately, we can not share our staffroom utensils with students.

PAC Annual General Meeting



After a gap of almost two years, the PAC General Meeting will take place at our School. PAC Executives are super excited to meet our school parents/guardians in person. Please come, enjoy some refreshments, engage with PAC executives, our School Principal, Vice-Principal and, participate in the PAC executive elections.

Location: Marlborough School-Band Room - West Building - Staff entrance from Nelson Avenue parking lot

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 6, 2021, from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (Pacific Time)

(COVID-19 safety and screening rules) :

Please ensure you are wearing a mask inside the school building. School policy requires Covid-19 health screening and hand sanitizing upon arrival.

If you need child-minding, RSVP to marlboroughpacd41@gmail.com.

**Marlborough - Bell Schedule
(2021-2022)**

8:50 First bell rings

8:55 Classes begin

10:35 Recess

10:50 Classes resume

12:00 Lunch begins

12:40 Warning bell to end lunch

12:45 Afternoon session begins

2:47 Students dismissed

**Office Hours
8:15 – 3:45**



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2021/2022 School Calendar

October 11	Thanksgiving Day – School Closed
October 22	Professional Day – School not in session
November 11	Remembrance Day – School Closed
November 26	Professional Day – School not in session
December 17	Last day of classes before Winter Break
December 20	Winter Break (December 20, 2021 – January 3, 2022)
January 4	School Re-opens after Winter Break
February 21	BC Family Day – School Closed
February 25	District Non-Instructional Day – School not in session
March 11	Last day of classes before Spring Break
March 14	Spring Break (March 15 – 25, 2022)
March 28	School Re-opens after Spring Break
April 15	Good Friday – School Closed
April 18	Easter Monday – School Closed
April 25	District Non-Instructional Day – School not in session
May 23	Victoria Day – School Closed
June 3	Professional Day – School not in session
June 29	10:00 am – Early Dismissal – Last day of school for students