

# École Christine Morrison Elementary Newsletter



April 30, 2019

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Bonjour, Hello and Ey Swayel École Christine Morrison Families,



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It is surprising that May has arrived so quickly and we have two months of school left. With this sunny weather it is a great idea to walk or ride bikes to school. If your child is bringing their bike to school, please ensure that the bike is locked at the bike racks at the side of the school.

Our Intermediate students have been enjoying the variety of track and field events each Tuesday and Thursday. The district track meet is on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May for the Grade 5/6 students who are attending and the 10<sup>th</sup> of May for the Grade 4 students. Information/permission forms will be sent home by the 6<sup>th</sup> of May as we are determining participation in the district meet this week.

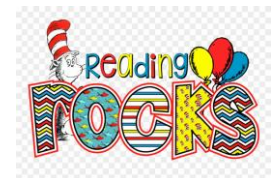
### Morrison's Reading Link Team Earns Bronze Medal in Fraser Valley Challenge!

Congratulations to the Reading Link team for placing 3rd overall out of a total of 426 teams in the Fraser Valley. The students represented Christine Morrison in an extremely positive manner, with skill, enthusiasm and excellent sportsmanship. The season wrapped up with a celebration for all participants. We are already looking forward to next year! Titles will be announced in November. Reading Link is open to students in grades four and five of all reading ability levels.



If you are aware of families who are going to be moving into our catchment, please have them contact the office as we try very hard to have classes settled as much as possible before the school year begins. Also, if you have any questions regarding the various programs we have at ECME, please do not hesitate to contact the office or myself and we will be pleased to help you.

Please continue to read with your child(ren) at home for a minimum of 20 minutes a day and chat with them about what they read. Daily reading has a very powerful impact upon your child's learning from strengthening their creativity to increasing their vocabulary and it is a wonderful chance to have chat and engage in a discussion about their day at home. Please remember that if your child is struggling with concepts, continue to encourage them and emphasize that everyone has areas that they need to work hard in and perseverance will make all the difference.



As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Shirley Gibson  
Principal

Shannon Greig  
Vice-Principal



**Save the date! June 10-12, 8am – 4pm each day**

**Festival du Livre (French Book Fair)**

**The French bookfair** will be held in the Learning Commons (library). Please see Mme. Caine, or add your name to the sign up list posted on the window of the Learning Commons if you are willing to volunteer for this event. Thank you

everyone for your continued support at ECME!

## Homestay Families Wanted

Mission Public Schools International Program is accepting applications for nurturing homestay families who want to provide a caring home for our elementary age students. Please click the link below to apply online or you can email [kim.hunter@mpsdc.ca](mailto:kim.hunter@mpsdc.ca) if you have any questions.

<http://www.studyinmission.ca/become-a-host-family>.

## MISSION PUBLIC SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION REGISTRATION 2019/2020

Families are advised that Bus Registration for the 2019-20 school year will run from May 1st through June 30th, 2019. To ride a district school bus, all new and returning riders must complete a registration form each year. Registration may be initiated by using our on-line bus registration form. This can be accessed at [www.mpsd.ca](http://www.mpsd.ca) and clicking on the 'Transportation' link on the Home page. The Transportation office will be closed between July 1st and August 22nd, 2019.



## Parent Advisory Committee

The next PAC meeting is Thursday, May 7th at 7:00 in the large conference room. At ECME we have a number of various areas in which our PAC supports our school community. If you are interested in volunteering with the PAC, please let us know!

## Upcoming dates:

- Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Discus Finals
- Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Student of the Month Assembly – Wear your School Colours
- Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>: Community Challenge
  - : Savoir Book Display 11:00 – 3:00
- Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>: District Track Meet for Grade 5/6
  - : PAC Meeting Large Conference Room 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>: District Track Meet for Grade 4
- Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>: Counsellors coming from HPMS to meet with the Grade 6 students
- Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>: Professional Development Day – classes are not in session
- Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>: Victoria Day – classes not in session

- Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>: HPMS Leadership students to meet with our Grade 6 students
- Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup> : Rollerblading lessons in for classes – Thank you PAC for your support!
- Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>: Si’wel Si’wes Family Dinner at HPMS at 4:00
- Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>: Final Student of the Month Assembly
- Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>: Welcome to Kindergarten 9:00 – 10:30
- June 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>: Festival du Livre 8:00 – 4:00
- June 18<sup>th</sup>: Grade 6 Leaving Assembly beginning at 8:45 in the gym – more information will be sent out later in the month
- June 18<sup>th</sup>: Grade 6’s to the Cultus Lake Waterslides for the day – information to follow
- Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>: Primary Sports Day
- Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>: Intermediate Sports Day – going to the pool from 12:30 – 1:30
- Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>: Dance Extravaganza and final day of classes

## Fraser Valley Public Library

Here are a few events at Mission Library in May. Please note that certain sessions require registration to attend. The contact numbers are at the end of the list of terrific events!



### May:

#### **LEGO Club**

Tuesdays, April 2 – May 28, 3-4:15pm

Love LEGO? We provide the LEGO, you bring your imagination! Come play, create, and experiment.

#### **Kitten Library**

Saturday, May 4, 10:30-3:30 pm

For a purr-fectly wonderful time, come chill with some kittens in the kitten room! All animals will be up for adoption. Presented in partnership with the Fraser Valley Humane Society. Registration required.

Fraser Valley Regional Library – Mission Library

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## 2019/2020 School District Calendar

September	Tuesday September 3, 2019	Schools Open – ½ Day for Students – <i>Students attend AM only (All Schools)</i> <i>(Organizational ½ Day)</i>
	Friday September 20, 2019	<i>Non Instructional Day – Students not in session</i> <i>(District Professional Development Day)</i>
October	Monday October 14, 2019	Thanksgiving
	Friday October 25, 2019	<i>Non Instructional Day - Students not in session</i> <i>(Provincial Professional Development Day)</i>
November	Friday November 8, 2019	<i>Non Instructional ½ Day – Students attend AM only (Secondary, Middle only)</i> <i>(Assessment/ Evaluation)</i>
	Monday November 11, 2019	Stat Holiday Remembrance Day
	Friday November, 22, 2019	<i>Non Instructional ½ Day – Students attend AM only (Elementary)</i> <i>(Assessment/ Evaluation)</i>
December	Friday December 6, 2019	<i>Non Instructional Day – Students not in session (All Schools)</i> <i>(P/T Conferences)</i>
	Dec 23, 2019 – Jan 3, 2020	Winter Break
January	Monday January 6, 2020	Schools reopen after Winter Break
February	Friday February 14, 2020	<i>Non Instructional Day - Students not in session</i> <i>(District Professional Development Day)</i>
	Monday February 17, 2020	Family Day
	Friday February 28, 2020	<i>Non Instructional ½ Day – Students attend AM only (Elementary only)</i> <i>(Assessment / Evaluation)</i>
	Friday February 28, 2020	<i>Non Instructional Day – Students not in session (Secondary, Middle only)</i> <i>(P/T Conferences)</i>
March	Friday March 13, 2020	<i>Non Instructional Day - Students not in session (Elementary only)</i> <i>(P/T Conferences)</i>
	March 16 – March 27 2020	Spring Break
	March 30, 2020	Schools reopen after Spring Break
April	Friday April 10, 2020	Good Friday
	Monday April 13, 2020	Easter Monday
	Friday April 17, 2020	<i>Non Instructional ½ day – Students attend AM only (Secondary, Middle only)</i> <i>(Assessment/ Evaluation)</i>
May	Friday May 15, 2020	<i>Non Instructional Day - Students not in session</i> <i>(District Professional Development Day)</i>
	Monday May 18, 2020	Victoria Day
June	Thursday June 25, 2020	Last Day of School for all Students
	Friday June 26, 2020	<i>Non Instructional Day – Students not in session</i> <i>(Administrative Day)</i>



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