



Promontory Motto – "Clean Hands, Kind Hearts, Strong Learners"

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P/VP MESSAGE

This has been a quick Term Two, and report cards will be sent home next week. Teachers have been hard at work, as always, helping your children be successful. 98% of our students have returned to in-person instruction, and many days our absence rate is below 5% (even with parents being very diligent about keeping their sick children home). As per protocols, we send a child home as soon as there is evidence of illness. In other words, we are all doing a good job of keeping our children (and our families) safe! Thank you so much for your continued efforts. We see you wearing your masks. We see your diligence with watching for symptoms. We see our ongoing handwashing and sanitizing routines. Put it all together, and we have made a difference together! Have a great Spring Break!

DAILY HEALTH CHECK – A commitment from you

Parents and guardians are an essential link in the safety protocols we are following, and your commitment to the Daily Health Check is so important. Please continue to monitor your child's health each morning, and do not send a sick child to school.

UPDATE

There is now a B.C. K-12 daily check app can be found at the following addresses:

Apple: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/bc-k-12-daily-health-checker/id1547334827>

Google:
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.qp.k12A>
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WATER BOTTLES

Please ensure your child has a refillable water bottle with them each day. Drinking fountains are closed, so water bottles are necessary.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for Kindergarten 2021 is now open. If your child will be 5 years old on or before December 31st, 2021 then it is time to register. Registration is all completed online at <https://sd33.vivosforms.com/Home>
You will need proof of address and a birth certificate. Please encourage any of your neighbors to register, too.

LIBRARY NEWS:

-BOOKS OVER MARCH BREAK:

All library books are due back to school before spring break. Please return all library books during the week of March 8th - 12th or earlier. Students will have to read classroom books or books from home during the last week of school.

-TAKE THE 2021 READING CHALLENGE!

****Sponsored by the Chilliwack Learning Society, The Book Man, and FVRL****

Participating is free and simple. Read as many days as you can. Set your reading goal (podcast and audio books count too!). At the end tell the FVRL how many days you read to be entered to win a prize. Families can submit their ballots online, by text 604-392-2404, or by email: info@chilliwacklearning.com

For the official printable tracking sheet and ballot go to: <https://chilliwacklearning.com/services/everyone/city-wide-literacy-challenge/>

Super Reader Program - 200 Nights of Reading

The first day for 200 Nights of Reading is March 24. I will start handing out prizes the first week back, after March break. At this prize level, students receive a "just right book" and can choose from a variety of picture books or chapter books. Please bring back the green log book, or send your child's teacher an email/note letting them know that they have reached the reading level. If you have lost your green log book please print a new recording sheet off of the library webpage. This new recording sheet will be available on the library webpage in April. We have run out of any extra green log books.

VANDALIZED BOOKS

We have a serious problem in our library and we need your help! There has been a large increase in vandalized books. What is a vandalized book? It is a book that has been deliberately destroyed by patrons picking the protective plastic and library stickers (barcode, spine labels) off of the book. When this happens, a book is pulled from circulation, and worst of all, it prevents other students from enjoying them. I have been trying hard to educate classes about this since September, but the problem persists.

If a book is returned to the library vandalized, the student must pay to replace it. Vandalized books will have to be reordered from a special supplier who prepares them for circulation. The supplier will prepare the books, cover them in protective plastic, and also apply any labels needed. After the new books arrive the damaged copy will be discarded.

-SPRING USED BOOK SALE – Cancelled

The Used Book Sale Fundraiser Event is cancelled for the Spring of 2021. I am hoping that once the pandemic is over, we can get it back on track. Fingers are crossed for next year.

MAKERSPACE NEWS:

Check out what we are making in the Makerspace! Please visit our Instagram page: "Promontorymakerspace"

Supplies Needed:

We are always looking for supplies to use in the Makerspace. Please check out the list below to see if you can help. If you have something unique, that is not on the list, please contact Mrs. Buck or Mr. Mueller.

- 1.) Pipe Cleaners
- 2.) Elastics
- 3.) Toothpicks
- 4.) Poms Poms
- 5.) Beads
- 6.) Marbles
- 7.) Nails/Screws
- 8.) Magnets
- 9.) New 3V Batteries

PAC NEWS:

We love seeing your school spirit! Wear your Promontory colors and apparel every Friday. Wacky Hair day at the end of January was so much fun with many elaborate and creative hair do's making an appearance. Inside Out/Backwards day gave kids a chance to be silly and just be kids. Thanks to everyone who participated. The next fun spirit day themes is:

-March 12: Tacky Day (dress in your tackiest outfit)

March will be a low-key month for the PAC as we all take time to rejuvenate during Spring Break. We are hoping to plan an end of year wrap up event for the entire school, but at this point we don't know what that will look like. The current restrictions have put a damper on planning in general as the world changes so quickly at this time.

As always, we invite all parents and guardians to attend our monthly virtual meetings to find out what we are up to as well as get updates from the Administrative team. Our next meeting is March 30 @7:00pm.

Here is the ZOOM link you can use to join the meeting:

<https://sd33-ca.zoom.us/j/67543165021>

Meeting ID: 675 4316 5021

No password required

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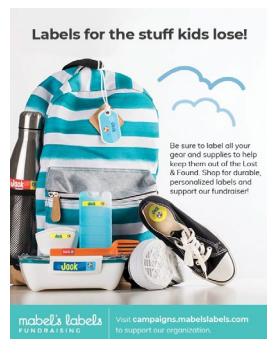
<https://www.facebook.com/Promontory-Heights-Community-Elementary-School-PAC>

MUNCH-A-LUNCH IS OPEN FOR HOT LUNCH

Hot Lunch & Fundraising on Munch-A-Lunch

Friday, March 5th – Ginkgo's

Fundraising – Mabel's Labels



Mabel's labels is a continuous fundraiser that runs all year round. To support our fundraiser, head over to campaigns.mabelslabels.com and select Promontory Heights Elementary School (Chilliwack). You can pick out whatever labels or product you want, and it will ship for free directly to your house!

WHAT'S NEXT?!?...Our SPRING FUNdraiser is just around the corner! Little Mountain Greenhouse is busy planting our next fundraiser, in time for Mother's Day!!! Stay tuned for this beautiful event planned for April.



Hot Lunch

Parents can place their orders online only using [MunchaLunch.com](https://munchalunch.com)! Orders can be paid for online with Visa or Mastercard, prepaid credit card or visa debit. **Due to COVID, we will no longer be accepting cash or cheque.**

Note to returning parents upon first login. Any returning parents who login will see this message: "Welcome to the 2020-21 school year, please update your child's grade/teacher/div BEFORE ordering". You must complete this step before you will be able to order.

HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to:
<https://munchalunch.com/schools/PromontoryHeights/>
- 2) Click the **"Register Here"** button (as shown below). The system will guide you through from there.
- 3) After adding your children, click the green "Order Lunch!" button to order
- 4) Next time, just click the **"Login Here"** button to access your account.



HOT LUNCH ORDERING DETAILS:

- Online ordering will be open at least 2 weeks before the hot lunch date. Ordering closes 1 week before the date of hot lunch.

- Orders are paid for using a credit card online through Munch-A-Lunch secure system. If payment is not received by deadline you will be notified of your order cancellation.

Please only order for the dates you intend to pay for. Munch

A Lunch does not accept partial payments. Thank you!

Please note if your child is ill on a lunch date, you are welcome to plan ahead of time to come and pick up their lunch at 12 pm from the front office; otherwise please consider it a donation for a child who does not have a lunch. Consistent with previous years, there are **NO REFUNDS** as this is a PAC fundraiser. Please make sure to make an appointment with the office **before** showing up at the school.

Leah Shields - Fundraising Co-ordinator
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DATES TO REMEMBER:

Mar. 5	- Hot Lunch(Ginkgo's)
Mar. 12	- Tacky Day (dress in your tackiest outfit)
Mar. 12	- Report Cards Sent home
Mar. 15-26	- Spring Break!
Mar. 29	- First Day Back
Mar. 30	-PAC Meeting 7:00pm
Apr. 2	- Good Friday (No School)
Apr. 5	- Easter Monday (No School)
Apr. 16	- Hot Lunch
Apr. 29	- Hot Lunch
Apr. 30	- Pro-D Day, No School



If you have any questions, please email the following:

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Promontory Heights Elementary Community School Association

Phone 604-858-2999
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Web: www.phecsa.ca



Panther Pen Spring Break Camps

Registration is open for our Spring Break Camps. We will be offering fun-filled full day camps during Spring Break from 8:00am-6:00pm. Please contact the PHECSA office for more information and registration.

Spring 2021 Programs

Canadian Red Cross Babysitter Course for youth aged 11 – 14. The Canadian Red Cross Babysitting course covers everything required to build confidence and learn the skills to be a great babysitter. Skills include preventing injuries, handling emergencies, dealing with common problems such as difficult behaviours, feeding, diapering and much more. All participants will receive their Red Cross Babysitting Course certificate after successfully completing the course.

Course Date: *Wednesday, March 17th 9:00-5:00 at Promontory Heights Elementary*
Wednesday, March 24th 9:00-5:00 at Promontory Heights Elementary

School Aged (6 – 12 years)

- Panther Pen Before & Afterschool Child Care Program
- Private Piano Lessons
- Babysitter Course/At Home Alone

Youth (13+)

- Private Piano Lessons
- Babysitter Course

Community School News

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic access to Chilliwack School District facilities are limited. PHECSA is required to suspend all adult programs, drop-in programs, special events and rentals until further notice. Thank-you so much for being a part of our community and we look forward to hosting your favourite activities again soon!

