

Marion Schilling Elementary School



September Newsletter



Welcome Back!



On behalf of all of the staff at Marion Schilling Elementary School, we welcome students back for a year full of learning and fun!

It has been a very busy start to this school year, but we are so excited to be a part of the Marion Schilling School community. Both Ms. Chernoff and myself are busy getting to know the students and staff and we look forward to meeting more parents as the year progresses.

Mrs. Piggin

Calendar of Upcoming Dates

Sept. 22	Raise a Reader
Sept. 24	Terry Fox Activities
Sept. 27	Non-Instructional Day (No School)
Sept. 29	Orange Shirt Day
Sept. 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No school)
Oct. 6	Photo Day
Oct. 11	Thanksgiving (No School)

Bell Schedule

8:25	Warning Bell
8:35	Announcements / Classes Begin
10:30	Recess Begins
10:45	Recess Ends
11:55	Lunch (eating)
12:15	Lunch (playtime)
12:50	Warning Bell
12:55	Classes Resume
2:46	Dismissal

Attendance is Important



It is your responsibility to inform the school if your child is going to be late or absent. We have a "safe arrival" program at Marion Schilling. **Please call 1-844-350-2647 before 8:30 am or visit: ktsd.schoolconnects.com**

In addition, be sure your child knows what the family plan is for their after school care **before** they go to school. If the after school care is different from the norm be sure to write a note for your child's teacher. If your child will be riding on a bus they don't normally ride or will be getting off at a different bus stop, write a dated consent note for the bus driver.

If your child is going to be arriving late, please remind them that they must check in at the office. Thank you!

2021 / 2022 Staff	
Principal	Deb Pigin
Vice Principal	Karla Chernoff
Secretary	Cathy Dickens
Grade 6 / 7	Brandon Bell
Grade 6 / 7	Rachel Ray
Grade 6 / 7	Daca Ngo
Grade 5 / 6	Mandy Naylor
Grade 4 / 5	Brian Dell
Grade 4	Luke Desauliers / Amanda Therrien(F)
Grade 3 / 4	Susie Corbet
Grade 3	Jen Jones
Grade 2	Randy Evans / Karla Chernoff(W)
Grade 1/ 2	Barb Carlson
Grade 1	Elena Patton
Grade K / 1	Paula Wild
Kindergarten	Jen Stuckey
LART	Maureen McMillan
LART	Liisa Hanlon
Prep	Danielle Beattie
Prep	Amanda Therrien
Library	Michelle Anderson

Shuswap Language	Tracy Thomas
CEA	Cindy Hawkins
CEA	Tammy Noble
CEA	Tonya Silver
CEA	Tracy Jones
CEA	Sarah Gjaltema
Library Assistant	Jadwiga Adamczyk
AEW	Daryll Laboucan
Day Custodian	Peggy Brown
Evening Custodian	Ben Garreck
Afternoon Custodian	Carla Bodor

Terry Fox

Students will be participating in Terry Fox activities on Friday, Sept. 24. These activities will occur between recess and lunch. Runs will be staggered to adhere to COVID protocols, so the whole school will not be running all at once. Intermediate students will participate in a neighbourhood run. Primary students will be running on the field. We will be collecting donations to support Cancer Research, including on-line fundraising.

<http://www.terryfox.ca/MarionSchillingElementary>



School fees

School fees will be able to be paid on line this year through our 'School Cash Online' program. Once you register and sign into the system your child's fees will be displayed. Further information on how to register is attached to your package.

Permission forms/Verification package

You should receive a package of forms with this newsletter. Please double check that all your child's information on their Verification form is correct, then complete and sign the other forms and return them to the school at your earliest convenience.

Munch-A-Lunch.

The October lunch menu has been loaded. Log into: https://munchalunch.com/schools/marionsc_hilling to place orders or to register a new account. Orders may be placed online up to and including Wednesday (Noon), September 29th. Please be advised that Thursday, October 21st is an early dismissal at 12:30 pm and no meals are being provided for that day.

Medical Alert Info

Parents : Remember, it is your responsibility to let the school know if your child has a serious health condition or requires medication at school. Contact the school office if you would like more information or to pick up the required forms. If your child already has a form on file at school please review and update the plan as soon as possible.

Dress Code

Attached are the school district's updated dress code policies.

Cell Phones

There are times when cell phones are needed for educational purposes at school. We understand the convenience of students having cell phones at school too. The school does have a cell phone supervision plan. Cell phones must be used only with the permission of the classroom teacher and be supervised when in use at school. Taking pictures of other students on a cell phone is not allowed at school. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Bus Loading Zones

Please do not park along the frontage road in our bus loading zones (North East field side). It has been difficult for our buses to park, and we need this area clear to help ensure the safety of students while loading the buses.

Bus Drivers & Routes



Bus #	Route	Driver
A5730	Rosehill Road	Steve
6730	Shuswap Rd @ Sun Ridge Crt	Val
A1733	Sun Rivers	Warren
4730	Pinantan/Paul Lake	Dave

If you have any problems or questions regarding bus routes, please call the Kamloops District Transportation Department @ 250-372-5853.

It is vital that families arrange for and plan their child's daily transportation to and from the school. We appreciate your understanding of this issue.

Parking Lot and Speed Limit

Please be mindful of the school zone speed limit when dropping students off or picking students up. Please also be aware that the parking lot is for staff only, and pick up and drop off of students should not be happening in the parking lot.

Emails

Communication is important to us. There are some problems with emails from the school being delivered to hotmail email accounts. If you think you should be receiving an email from the school, but have not, please check your junk mail. If emails are not in your junk mail, we would suggest you set up another email account (such as gmail) to ensure you are getting emails from the school.

Newsletters

We will do our best to have school newsletters each month. Hard copies will be available, but we would like to go paperless as much as possible, so we do hope we are able to reach all families by email. We are working on our school web-site. Hopefully, very soon you will see updates to the school web-site and we will do our best to post newsletters there too. Thank you for your patience.

No Dogs Allowed

Please remember, according to bylaw, dogs are not permitted on school grounds. Let's work as a community to keep our fields clean and free of dog feces.

Milk Program & Snack shack Beginning October 4th

This year we will continue with the Milk program and students may order punch cards. New price is \$1.25 for one or a punch card of 20 for \$25.00. As well this year, we will also offer small snacks at lunch time for purchase: These items can change depending on availability.

The Snack Shack will be open from 11:55 - 12:10 each day.

Please also note that I only allow students to buy for themselves and a sibling - Friends can purchase their own items.

Snack Shack - Milk Program	
\$1.25	Milk - white/chocolate
\$2.00	Cup a Soup - chicken noodle
\$1.00	Famous Amos Cookies
	Veggie Chips
	Pepperoni Stick
	Fish crackers
\$0.75	Banana Bread
	Apple sauce Pouch
\$0.25	Fruit Snacks (limit of 2)
	Fruit Leather (limit of 2)

PAC Info

Thank you to the parents who attended the first PAC meeting of the year. PAC meetings will be held the second Tuesday of the month. This year's executive is: Crystal Ashe (Chair); April Wilds (Vice-Chair / DPAC Representative); Cecilee Moray (Secretary); Shayla Lennea (Treasurer); Brittany Lafont (Treasurer); and Tori McMillan (Social Media Director).