

Marion Schilling Elementary School



March Newsletter



The year is going by so quickly. It is hard to believe that Spring Break has already arrived. We wish students and their families a fun-filled Spring Break! We also wish all of the staff at Marion Schilling Elementary a well-deserved rest.

Mrs. Deb Piggin, Principal

Ms. Karla Chernoff, Vice Principal



Calendar of Upcoming Dates

Mar. 18	Last day of school before Spring Break
Apr. 4	School Reopens
Apr. 7	Day of Suwewtwecw
Apr. 15	Good Friday (No School)
Apr. 18	Easter Monday (No School)
Apr. 25	Non-Instructional Day (No School)

Congratulations February Pizza Winners

Congratulations to Skylar, Zoe, Wyler, Margarete, Jaelin, Maya, and Marley. These students enjoyed a pizza lunch on February 28. Thank you to their parents for reading the February newsletter.

Student Learning Survey 2021/2022

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective. Early in 2022 the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 4 and 7, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included. The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link with or without an anonymous logon code by selecting the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the Results section. The e-survey site will be open until April 29th .

School Transfers

Parents who are not in our catchment area, but would like their child to attend Marion Schilling Elementary, must register at their home school. Once registered there, a parent can fill out a STUDENT TRANSFER FORM and have the principal of the home school sign it so that he/she is aware that they would like to be enrolled elsewhere. For September 2022, parents would not find out if their child had been granted a transfer until the Friday of the first week of school. For more information about this procedure, parents can go to the School District #73 website and follow the links to our public Administrative Procedures. AP 305 SCHOOL BOUNDARIES AND STUDENT TRANSFER REQUESTS is clearly written and gives a detailed explanation.

Munch-A-Lunch

The April Meals menu, Booster Juice Day and Pizza Day have been uploaded to the Munchalunch website. Please ensure that orders are completed by **noon, Fri., Mar. 18th**. As always, payment is required upon submission of order.

Reminder: On dates with multiple items, like a Booster Juice and a Meal, you have to drag each item over separately to order. Also, remember to check the body of your email reminders on Booster Juice dates to determine if a meal was also paid for that day.

Place orders at:

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/marioschilling>

Thank you.



Shamrock Shake Fundraiser

Thank you to all who supported our Shamrock Shake fundraiser. We hope to do more office lead fundraisers in the future. All money raised from this fundraiser will go towards learning initiatives at the school.

Day of Sucwentwecw

On April 7, schools across School District No. 73 will be holding events to honour and recognize Aboriginal identity. This is part of what we now call the Day of Sucwentwecw. Sucwentwecw means to acknowledge one another. This day inspires us to imagine ways to build a smarter, more caring community. It invites us to share and to learn from each other, and to create the conditions in which we can all thrive equally, according to our hopes and dress. We know our greatest potential lies in what we can learn from each other. On Thursday, April 7 the students of Marion Schilling Elementary school will be participating in two gatherings. Students will also be learning about pit houses. We will welcome Marianne Vande Pol to do Aboriginal DancePI3y with classes. We thank all staff involved in the planning of this day, especially our Aboriginal Education Team consisting of: Ms. MacDonald, Ms. Thomas, and Mr. Laboucan.

Rapid Tests

We still have a supply of Rapid Tests at the school. If you have not yet picked up your tests, please stop by the office to pick them up.

Masks

When school returns on Monday, April 4, the decision to wear a non-medical mask or face covering is a personal choice, and that choice will be supported and respected.

Make Kindness The Norm

We focussed on kindness during the month of February. February ended with our first assembly of the year and the theme of that assembly was kindness. We continue to see many acts of kindness throughout our school. Great work students and staff! Let's continue to make kindness the norm!



Basketball Season

The basketball season has now wrapped up for the year. Marion Schilling Elementary School is proud of all three teams for the strong effort they showed this season. Thank you to all of the players. Thank you coaches and teacher sponsors. Also, a big Thank you to our student scorekeepers.

Spring Break Idea

WIBIT AquaTrack

The AquaTrack is an inflatable diversified obstacle course where running, climbing, jumping, and sliding will provide fun for everyone. Pre-registration is required.

Dates available: March 19–April 1
Cost: \$4.35 per person

Hours: Afternoon public swim times. [View schedule.](#)

Ages: Must be 7+

Requirements: Must be 43" or taller. Ages 12+ require proof of vaccination.

Upcoming Kamloops Bike Rodeo



Kamloops RCMP Crime Prevention Unit, City of Kamloops, ICBC, and the Kamloops BMX Club are hosting a free [Bike Rodeo](#) on April 9 from 10AM-4PM.



Students, remember to bring back your water bottle after Spring Break! Please label it in case it gets misplaced.