Mustang News

November 2026

McCammon Elementary Bell Schedule	
8:00	Warning Bell
8:04	Instructional Time
9:35 – 9:50 9:50 – 10:05	Staggered Recess
11:55 – 12:35	Lunch Time – play first, then eat
12:35	Instructional Time
2:04	Dismissal

Important Upcoming Dates

- November 2 - 5 – Book Fair
- November 4 – Chiefs Lunch
- November 4 – Math Night – Registration closed
- November 6 – School Closed – Pro D Day
- November 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly
- November 11 – School Closed – Remembrance Day
- November 13 – Rock Your Mocs
- November 17 – Photo Retakes
- November 20 – PBS Assembly
- November 24 – PAC Meeting (10:30 am)
- November 26 – PAC Movie Night
- November 27 – School Closed Pro D Day

Message from the Office

If your child will be absent from school, please report their absence on the website https://go.schoolmessenger.ca/#/account/login, on our Safe Arrival app, call the school or send our secretary an email: Rachel_alford@sd33.bc.ca

School Fees are $40 per student and an additional $7 if they have a planner. Partial payments are accepted. They can be paid online at https://www.studentquickpay.com/sd33/

Please continue to check our school website and calendar for updated information.

Message from Mrs. Thompson & Ms. Van Ry

Ey Swayel (*Good Day*),

October was a wonderful month filled with opportunities for our students to learn, connect, and celebrate together! We enjoyed Fall Fun Day, cup stacking in PE, Photo Day, our school dance, and the costume parade. We also celebrated the 4 B's at our school assembly, recognizing the importance of being kind, respectful, responsible, and safe. Thank you to our staff and PAC for helping make these special moments possible!

As we move into November, our focus will be on staying safe by staying in our classrooms and keeping our hallways clear. We are reminding students that hallways are for moving safely from one place to another, not for wandering or visiting. Students should remain in their classrooms unless they have permission to leave or are travelling to a supervised activity. These simple reminders help us keep everyone safe and ensure that learning time is protected.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us create a safe, caring, and welcoming school community. I am grateful for the many ways our families work alongside us to support our students.

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PAC

As a parent or guardian of a McCammon student, you are automatically a member of our Parent Advisory Council (PAC).

PAC meetings are a great opportunity to stay informed about what's happening at the school, ask questions, share ideas, and become more involved in our school community.

PAC Executives this year:

President – Nicole Linza
Vice President / DPAC – Emily Thody
Secretary – Hailey Wood
Treasurer – Holly Fortin
Member at Large – Stella Lagios

Munch a Lunch – Follow this link to register -

https://munchalunch.com/schools/mccammon

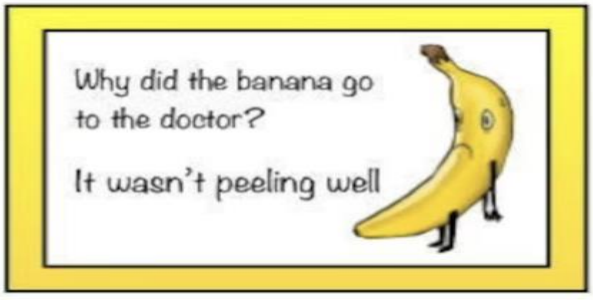
Dates to Remember:

- November 24th – 10:30 am
- November 26th – Movie Night
- December 2 - Munch a Lunch order due

Fundraising: Purchase a Perk will take place on December 11th. More information will be going home closer to the date.

Return It – PAC will raise funds for the Grade 5 year-end celebration. Funds from Return It will go towards this celebration. If you are dropping items off, the phone number connected to the account is 778-997-4655.

If you have questions, please contact our executive at mccammon-pac@sd33.bc.ca



Sports Updates

Congratulations to all our athletes who competed in the district cross-country events in October! We had a great McCammon turnout at each of the three cross-country runs!

Good luck to the boys' soccer team who will be competing in their tournament the week of November 9th!

On November 16, we will be transforming the gym into an indoor curling experience for our Mustangs! Students will be curling in the gym with Mrs. Bartel for two weeks in their PE classes. There will also be an opportunity for students to represent McCammon as part of the curling team. Mrs. Perera is heading the curling team in the month of November as they head to weekly bonspiels at Evans Elementary.

School Safety

Parking Lot:

For safety in the **front parking** lot, please do not enter the bus lane before the orange crosswalk. That lane is to be left open at all times.

In the **back parking** lot, please use the parking spaces (backing in is safest) and leave the center section open so cars can circle through to pick up students. Please use the sidewalks when walking to your vehicle, as cutting through the parking lot can be very unsafe.

Hallways:

We ask that parents/guardians do not enter the hallways during school hours (7:49 – 2:04). If your child needs to use the bathroom prior to school starting, please check in at the office.

Library Updates

McCammon's Scholastic Book Fair

We are having a **Book Fair November 2-5!**
There will be display cases of books plus posters, bookmarks, and school tools in the library for students to see, wish for, and/or purchase.
Cash, debit, and credit will be accepted.
The Book Fair is a fundraiser for our Library and benefits our entire student body.

We use the funds for books as well as to purchase the prizes for the
Super Reader Home Reading program.

Book Fair Hours:
Students are welcome to purchase items during their regular scheduled library block or after school with families from:
Monday 2nd 2:00 - 3:00
Tuesday 3rd 2:00 - 3:00
Wednesday 4th 2:00-3:00
Thursday 5th 2:00 – 3:00

Friendly Reminder to get your Super Reader Slips to your teachers!! Each NIGHT you read at home, you can mark off 1 box on the checklist.
We have hit 50 Nights of Reading!! Keep up the good work, Mustangs!

Grad Hoodies

Grade 5 Grad Hoodies are now available to order. The youth sizes are quite small.

There are samples at the office, and I encourage you to have your child try the various sizes before ordering, as they seem to run small.

The link to order is
https://www.studentquickpay.com/sd33/MyAccount/Main.aspx

Indigenous Ed Update

Rock Your Mocs – November 15th

Rock Your Mocs started as a social media event in 2011. Founder Jessica "Jaylyn" Atsye, Laguna Pueblo, encouraged all Indigenous people worldwide to wear their moccasins in unity and post images on social media. Since then, Rock Your Mocs has grown into a week-long celebration of unity and diversity, with organizations holding events worldwide. Moccasins represent more than footwear to Indigenous peoples. They are sacred and passed down through generations. Moccasins are a physical expression of some Indigenous journeys. Because Mother Earth (Unci Maka) is sacred, moccasins allow the People to tread on her with honour and respect. Wearing moccasins for Rock Your Mocs

Cultural Celebrations this month

Throughout the year, there are many celebrations and holidays observed around the world. Classroom teachers may choose to introduce or explore some of these celebrations with their students. As each teacher plans their own classroom learning, the topics discussed may vary. If you would like to know which celebrations and holidays will be explored in your child's classroom, please reach out to their teacher.

November Celebrations and Holidays are:

Nov. 8 – Indigenous Veterans Day
Nov. 11 – Veterans Day
Nov. 12 – Diwali
Nov. 13 – Rock Your Mocs

Dressing for the Weather

As the seasons change, please remember to send your child to school dressed for the weather. Warm jackets, rain gear, and extra layers will help ensure that students stay comfortable and enjoy their time outdoors, even on wet and chilly days.

We also encourage families to pack a spare set of clothing, including socks and underwear, to keep at school. With the rainy weather, accidental trips and falls in puddles or muddy areas are bound to happen! Having a change of clothes available will help your child stay comfortable and ready to learn for the rest of the day.

Thank you for helping us keep our students warm, dry, and ready for whatever the weather brings!



Kwetsiole (see you later)… keep spreading kindness 😊

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SD33

CULTURAL NIGHTS





Hosts: Breanna Tso, Charlie Michell & SD33 Indigenous Education Department

What to expect:
Powwow Dancing, Cultural learning & Sharing!

EVERY THURSDAY
POTLUCK DINNER
6 PM - 8 PM
CSS MINI GYM

Contact email:
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Chilliwack Secondary School
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Drugs or alcohol is not tolerated. Not responsible for any injuries, lost or stolen items
This is a safe space for youth & families to connect to culture and community.