

Mission Secondary Newsletter

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School Hours

Monday - Friday

8:44 am – First Class

11:28-12:10 – Lunch

2:58 – Dismissal

Bussing:

Following the final bell of the day, school buses are loaded very promptly at the bus loop on the east side of the building. There is a late bus Tuesdays & Thursdays leaving the school at 4:25pm, taking students to Hatzic Middle, then east or west from there.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

February was another busy month for the Mission Senior Secondary community. We would like to welcome our new Vice Principals Airdrie Miller and Linda Dickinson to MSS. Airdrie Miller is responsible for students whose last name begins with the letters R through Z and Linda Dickinson is responsible for students whose last name begins with the letters Li through Q. We have now completed our first semester for grade 11 and 12 students and our second term for grade 10. Our senior students have completed their provincial exams and we look forward to great results. As well all of our students have completed mid-terms. Report cards are now out and show that we have much to be proud about when it comes to the academic achievement of our students.

Earlier this month our basketball teams were involved in playoffs and did very well. We now move onto spring sports where we have a girls rugby team along with track and field and boys hockey.

Our theatre production classes are gearing up for the production of Hairspray which debuts March 1 and continues to March 4 at 7 pm at the Clarke Theatre. Tickets are available at the main office of MSS. Please come out and watch, it will be amazing.

Our leadership students continue to contribute to our school culture promoting positive actions in recognition of anti-bullying (pink shirt day). Last week we had an amazing presentation by our students on anti-bullying. It was extremely powerful.

We have so much to be proud of at Ecole Mission Senior Secondary School as we continue our strong tradition of excellence on academics, fine arts and performing arts, athletics, applied skills and leadership.

Thanks to all our students, parents, and staff for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Jim Pearce
Principal

PAC News

Dry Grad Raffle Tickets are available!

First Prize is a 2 night trip to Las Vegas

2nd Prize is one week's accommodation in a 2 bedroom condo at Worldmark Gold Crown and Platinum Resort (no airfare)

3rd Prize is a one night stay in a jacuzzi room at Coast Inn and Suites

Tickets are \$20 and are available through Samantha at the MSS front office.

INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT MESSAGE

We are currently accepting applications for nurturing homestay families who want to provide a caring “home away from home” for our elementary and secondary International students. Student placements can range from 2 weeks to 2 years or more. These paid positions are a wonderful way to learn about another culture and to share Canada with students from another country. *Most International students are looking for a host family that includes Mom and Dad, as well as school-age children.*

If you are interested in hosting students, please apply on-line: www.studyinmission.ca

- Homestay → Become a Host Family → Click On-line Application
- Complete all 5 sections of the On-line Application Form
- Our office will contact you to follow up

33919 Dewdney Trunk Road, Mission, BC V2V 6Y4 604-826-6286 ext 3321

Email: international@mpsdc.ca; Website: www.studyinmission.ca

Seeking Volunteer Tutors/Peer Tutors for Homework Club

Please see Mr. Nguyen or Ms. Campbell if you're interested in tutoring in Homework Club Tues-Thur 3-4pm in the Library. Come share your skills in any subject area. Math and science tutors are in particular demand. Gain volunteer hours while helping your peers.



SIWAL SI'WES ABORIGINAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT MESSAGE

February has been a very busy month organizing our trip to UBC and the Museum of Anthropology on March 3, 2017. If you would like your child to attend please fill out the permission form and have it in by Feb. 24th, 2017. This will be a great opportunity for students to obtain valuable information about post-secondary. We will be having an interactive workshop with the Psychology Department and a tour of UBC campus. We also have a Career Fair planned for March 1, 2017 that will be held by the Sto:lo First Nations in Chilliwack. Please contact Rachel Schooner or Tracy Carr if you would like your child to attend. The winner of the Battery Challenge was Mr. Walton's English class and they will be celebrating with pizza this Thursday. Thanks to all the classes that participated and raising funds for UNCEF.

YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are still available for sale, but the deadline is near.

Grads ... make sure you order your yearbook ASAP! Ordering now guarantees you a book – don't be disappointed when we sell out in June! Yearbooks can be ordered from the main office for \$55.00.



Mission Senior Secondary
Roadrunner Musical Theatre Proudly Presents

hairspray



The Broadway Musical



Book Mark O'Donnell Thomas Meehan Music Marc Shaiman Lyrics Scott Wittman Marc Shaiman
Based on the New Line Cinema film written and directed by John Waters

March 1st, 2017 – Preview Show – 7pm
Tickets – \$10 General Admission

March 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 2017
Curtain – 7pm
Tickets – \$12 General Admission

Artistic Direction by **Becky Meyer**
Music Direction by **Kim Grant**
Choreography by **Riley Young**
Costuming by **Helen Yannacopoulos**



Presented at the
Clarke Foundation Theatre
33700 Prentis Ave. Mission

Tickets Available at the Box Office
604-820-3961

"Hairspray" is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).
All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI, 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019
Tel: (212) 541-4684 Fax: (212) 397-4684 www.MTIshows.com

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See us at:

<http://mss.mpsd.ca>

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2016/2017 Calendar

Mar. 10, 2017	Parent/Teacher Conf. (Elementary)
Mar. 13 – 24, 2017	Spring Break
Mar. 27, 2017	School Reopens
April 13, 2017	½ Day Assessment (Middle & Sec.)
April 14, 2017	Good Friday
April 17, 2017	Easter Monday
April 18, 2017	Term 4 begins
April 19, 2017	PAC Meeting 7:00 pm
April 27, 2017	Parent/Teacher Conf. (Middle & Sec.)
April 28, 2017	Non Instructional Day
May 17, 2017	PAC Meeting 7:00 pm
May 19, 2017	Non Instructional Day
May 22, 2017	Victoria Day
June 14, 2017	PAC Meeting 7:00 pm
June 16, 2017	Last Day of Classes
June 19-21, 2017	Class Final Exams
June 22, 2017	Commencement Rehearsal
June 23 & 26, 2017	Provincial Exams
June 24, 2017	Commencement
June 29, 2017	Last Day of School for students

Mission Library events for March:

Mission Word Keepers

Wednesdays, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21; 7 pm - 8:30 pm

Teen Art Club

Saturdays, March 18, April 8, May 13, June 17; 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Escape Room: Operation Spy

Thursday, March 23, 7pm - 7:45 pm

Friday March 24, 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm

Saturday March 25, 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm (for ages 12 to 18 only)

The clock is ticking. Can you escape from a locked room? In teams, you will be locked in a room in the library for 45 minutes. Together you need to find hidden clues, solve puzzles, and use your logic and observations skills to find a way out of the room. It's possible - but it won't be easy. Are you up to the challenge? Registration required.

Spring Book Sale

Friday, March 31, 10 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday, April 1, 10 am - 4 pm



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!

Hello to All Grad Parents!

We would like to ask for your participation in purchasing and selling raffle tickets in support of our Dry Grad Event.

This is our biggest fundraiser and has the potential return of almost 2/3 of what our goal is. The student with most sales will receive 2 free Prom Tickets (Total value of \$240) AND the following four top sales will receive a free yearbook (if already purchased you will be reimbursed the \$55 value).

There are 1,000 tickets available and if every Grad sells 3 tickets we will be sold out. To obtain your tickets, please see Samantha at the front office. The draw will take place Monday, April 10 at the MSS office and details are on each ticket as follows:

MSS GRAD 2017

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

BC Gaming Event License #91249
Must be 19+ to purchase.

MSS GRAD 2017

Trip for Two to Las Vegas

includes air fare from Bellingham and Two Nights Stay.
Open dates for travel

- **2nd Prize: 1 week stay in 2 bedroom condo at a Worldmark Gold Crown and Platinum Resort (airfare not provided)**
- **3rd Prize: One Night stay at Coast Inn & Suites Jacuzzi Suite**

Draw date: Monday, April 10 at noon MSS main office
Tickets \$20.00 Only 1000 tickets sold. Donated by Pioneer Chrysler Jeep, Mission
BC Gaming Event License #91249 Must be 19+ to purchase. Know your limit, play within it
Mission Secondary School Parent Advisory Council 32939 - 7th Ave., Mission, BC V2V 2C5 • 604-826-7191
Winners consent to the release of their names by the licensee

No. _____