

Mission Secondary Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

With completion of semester one and the start of semester two where did the time go? I must say that I am so honored to be part of an amazing staff that always puts students first. I am also very pleased with the work ethic of our students who have really worked hard over the first semester. I am sure semester two will fly by and everyone will continue to work hard on their new courses and the grade 10's will strive for excellence. Our first semester included many successes, from our drama and music departments to our sports teams and all other extra-curricular events. The second semester promises to be equally busy and exciting.

I wish the remaining months of the school year be marked with academic success for all students at Mission Senior Secondary School. Our staff is working hard to ensure success for all students. As always, we depend on the ongoing effort from students and support from parents. Together, we can ensure the best possible achievement for our students. Please make sure you check the website for some date changes for Parent Teacher conferences. Also we are starting our course selection process so please talk with your child about selection.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school at any time regarding your child's progress. Our classroom teachers are the best source of information regarding specific subjects; however, our counselling staff and administration are always available to assist with concerns of a general or overall nature.

Sincerely,

Jim Pearce
Principal

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.



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Mission Library events for February:

Teen Hair 101

Wednesday, Feb 7, 6:30-7:30 pm

Ever wonder how to create a 'Frozen'-inspired braid? Need help controlling your frizz or adding volume? Learn more about your hair and how to style it with students from Riverside College! Volunteer students will be on hand to help navigate the mystifying realm of teen hair. Registration required.

Teen Chef: Death by Chocolate

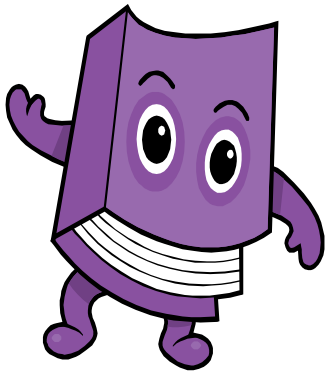
Saturday, Feb 17, 2:30-4pm

Do you have a sweet tooth? Come make chocolates to take home. There will be fun, games, and chocolate, chocolate, chocolate! For ages 12-18. Registration required.

Ductigami

Saturday, Mar 17, 2:30-4pm

Make a wallet or a rose pen out of the most versatile of supplies: duct tape! For ages 12-18. Registration required.



Aboriginal Department

Happy New Year to all our students and their families! As we welcome in the New Year we start off with many exciting events happening in our department. Our theme this year is "Love", and the season of Temxeytl' which represents the Eagle. Our department will be doing a project with the students centred around this theme with the help of local artists. We will also be taking a trip to UBC and touring the campus and Longhouse, doing an interactive workshop with the Faculties. This will help our students prepare for post-secondary and give them important information towards their career goals. There will also be a Career Fair coming in March which our students will have an opportunity to attend. Looking forward to these educational opportunities and if you have any questions or concerns please contact Tracy Carr or Robby Williams.

Kw'as Ho:y

Aboriginal Liaison

Tracy Carr and Robby Williams

John Kaplan puts on
“An EYE-POPPING show!”
- Provoost News, AB



Abraca DAZZLE!
Starring **John KAPLAN**

Spellbinding multi-media magic show transports you to a world of wonder and mystery! Your entire family will be gasping in astonishment and rolling in the aisles with laughter... a dazzling experience you'll be talking about long after the final curtain!

“Totally AWESOME!”
- Clearwater North Thompson Times, BC

“Kept the audience on the edge of their seats!”
- The Hub, NYT

“Dazzled the crowd!”
- The Advertiser, BC

Don't Miss This Show! Get Your Tickets Today!

Rotary  **Sunday, February 18th at 2 pm**
Clarke Foundation Theatre.
Tickets: \$25

portal.clubrunner.ca/801/

Online show and ticket information at:
www.AbracaDAZZLE.ca

Thank You!

Special “THANK YOU!” to the following for their generous donations that made it possible to provide 64 struggling students with a little extra cheer during the holidays.

Sam H
Terry W
Alison E
STAPLES
Linda De and her “Scrappy Girls”
Leslie C
Janet C
Nikki H
YES Academy
Elaine C
Dianne B
Purdy’s
Jody S

And our other anonymous staff donors. As always, your generosity and caring for our students is amazing and appreciated.



School Closures due to weather

As the air begins to chill, we are reminded that winter is still here with possible inclement weather conditions. For information on school closures follow the School District website: www.mpsd.ca

- Select the tab across the top - “Schools”;
- Select - “Unscheduled School Closures” (Found on the left sidebar).

Once there, a list of radio stations is provided parents, students and staff can register directly on that page to sign up for Snow Closures Email List. A quick and easy way for notification to be received directly.

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

<http://mss.mpsd.ca>

2017/2018 Calendar

Jan. 29, 2018	Term 3, Semester 2 begins
Feb. 7, 2018	PAC meeting 7:00 pm Library
Feb. 12, 2018	Family Day, no classes
Feb. 13, 2018	Semester 1 Report Cards in home rooms
Feb. 13, 2018	Grade 9 course info day/Parent info 7:00pm
Feb. 20, 2018	Grad Photo Retakes
Feb. 21, 2018	Grad Cruise 7:00 pm
Feb. 23, 2018	Provincial Development Day
Mar. 1, 2018	Parent/Teacher Expo 3:30 – 6:00 6:30 – 9:00
Mar. 2, 2018	Non instructional Day
Mar. 16, 2018	Parent/Teacher Conf. (Elementary)
Mar. 19 – 29, 2018	Spring Break
Mar. 30/Apr. 2	Good Friday/Easter Monday
Apr. 3 2018	Stat in Lieu of Good Friday
Apr. 4 2018	School Reopens
April 13, 2018	½ Day Assessment (Middle & Sec.)
April 16, 2018	Term 4 begins
April 18, 2018	PAC Meeting 7:00 pm
April 25, 2018	Aboriginal Student Recognition Dinner
April 26, 2018	Report Cards to Student in Homeroom
April 26, 2018	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences (Middle/Secondary)
May 16, 2018	PAC Meeting 7:00 pm
May 18, 2018	Non Instructional Day
May 21, 2018	Victoria Day
June 23, 2018	Commencement
June 25-27, 2018	Provincial Exams
June 27, 2018	Last Day of Classes
June 29, 2018	Administrative Day

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