

Mission Secondary Newsletter

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School Hours

8:44 am – Warning Bell
8:47 – 10:04 - First class
10:10 – 11:27 – Second class
11:27 – 12:10 – Lunch
12:10 pm – Warning Bell
12:16 – 1:33 – Third Class
1:39 – 2:55 – Fourth class

Following the final bell of the day, school buses are loaded very promptly at the bus loop on the east side of the building. The office is open 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

With Spring Break behind us, students and staff continue to work hard in all areas of teaching and learning. As we move into the final months of the year, students and teachers will focus their energy on preparation for final exams.

Just before Spring Break we held our annual Andrew Burke memorial staff vs student hockey game. This event was a huge success and demonstrated the strong sense of school spirit at Ecole Mission Middle Secondary.

Our drama students continue to work on preparing for the Shakespearean production. The track and field team can be seen practicing regularly, rain or shine. The dry grad committee is now meeting every week in preparation for this very exciting event for grade 12 students. Leadership students have ongoing fundraising throughout the month of April. More information is included in the newsletter. The course selection process for students is now wrapping up.

As always, if you have any questions about any aspect of your child's school experience, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Jim Pearce
Principal

Upcoming Leadership Activities

Leadership Fundraising Focus Areas:

April 7-10 – Canadian Red Cross (Malaria and mosquito nets)
April 13-17 – Because I'm a Girl (Educational support for girls in 3rd world countries)
April 20-24 – Greenpeace (April 22 is Earth Day)
April 27-30 – Free the Children (Supply goats for families)
May 4-8 – UNICEF

Spirit Week : May 4 – 8

Cinco De Mayo Celebration – May 5th in the cafeteria

WELCOME SPRING

TALIA'S CLOSET

Are you **graduating** this year and do you need **HELP** with gowns or beauty related services??

Talia's Closet is a program run by the Youth Resource Centre and Abbotsford Community Services to assist graduates in celebrating their success by easing the monetary stress associated with graduation.

Students will need to take a form stating that they are graduating this year to Talia's Closet. Please see Cyndi McLachlan or your counsellor for this form and more information on the program.



CAREER CENTRE NEWS

Upcoming Events

April 15 **Field Trip to the Skills Canada Provincial Competition** at the Tradex in Abbotsford for students interested in a career in a trade. See Mrs. Janzen or a shop teacher for more information.

April 28 **Field Trip to UBC Vancouver** for Grade 11 and 12 students
Permission forms will soon be available on the Career Centre bulletin board. Cost will be \$10.

Grade 12's

- It's time to apply to universities and colleges NOW.
- No idea what you're going to do in September? Sign up for an appointment with Mrs. Janzen to discuss your options.
- Remember to apply for Scholarships and Bursaries ☺
- If the post-secondary institution / program you have applied to requires you to self-report your grade 11 and 12 marks, you must do so or your application will be withdrawn.
- If you need to write the CPT for UFV, you should do so as soon as possible. Check their website for information on this test and for test times: <http://www.ufv.ca/assessment/placement-tests/composition-placement-test-cpt/>

Questions?

See Mrs. Janzen, Career Advisor in the Career Centre or contact her at 604-302-5314 or linda.janzen@mpsd.ca

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Teen Fest
Saturday APRIL 11 2015
Abbotsford Centre
 (formerly Abbotsford Entertainment and Sports Centre)
33800 King Road

Hosted by Dakota Dauby
 Featured in: *Zombie, Black Fly, Speakwith, and Rolling Skies*

FEATURING PERFORMANCES BY:

Shon Burnett
 Top 6 finalist of YTV's The Next Star 2

Ria Jade
 Host of *weARabby*

Tristan Thompson
 Bull Media's Future Star

Cambree Lovesy
 Local Talent

ARJUM

FREE EVENT TIME: 11:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- A chance to win a \$500 Shopping Spree, courtesy of Sevenoaks Shopping Centre
- Teen Talent Contest
- Indoor Skateboard Park and 24' Climbing Wall
- Performances by Shon Burnett, Tristan Thompson, Ria Jade, Cambree Lovesy, and ARJUM
- Free makeovers for the girls
- 50+ booths to see, learn, and shop
- 4 different areas to explore: Life & Education, Fashion & Beauty, Health & Wellness, and Cool Stuff

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Please check out the lost and found box in the main office. It is overflowing!



GRAD NEWS

Grad class is holding a Las Vegas ticket raffle to raise money for the dry grad event. Tickets are \$10 each and available at the office.

Important Dates:

Prom/Dry Grad: Friday, May 22, 2015/Saturday, May 23, 2015

Commencement: Thursday, June 11, 2015

In preparation for upcoming graduation events, grade 12 students that are in good academic standing and meet the attendance requirements, are to do the following:

- Complete and hand in letter of expectations
- Complete and present graduation transition portfolio
- Pay all outstanding fees

IMPORTANT TO GRADE 12s
Post Secondary Institutions (PSIs)

ALL Grade 12 students who are planning to attend a Post Secondary Institution (University, College, etc.) after grade 12 **MUST** arrange for their final transcript to be accessible by the Post Secondary Institutions. This “online” process **MUST** be completed by **May 1, 2015**.

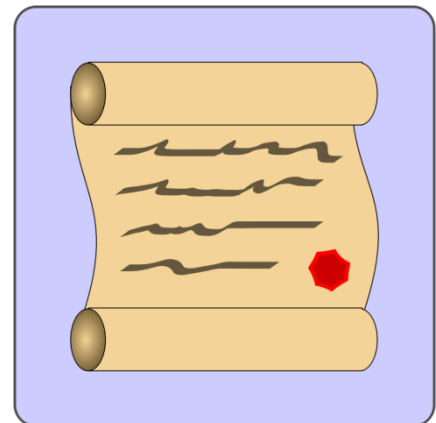
Go to the following link and follow the instructions.

<https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/exams/tsw/tsw/student>

(Notice “**https**” above.)

You will require your **STUDENT PEN NUMBER** which is printed on each report card - upper left corner.

Need help....? See Mr. Love, Ms. Shaw, or Mrs. Janzen.



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2014 - 2015 Year at a Glance

April 3, 2015	Good Friday, No Classes
April 6, 2015	Easter Monday, No Classes
April 10, 2015	End of Term 3
April 13, 2015	Term 4 Begins
April 17, 2015	½ Day Assessment
April 30, 2015	Parent Teacher Interviews (3:30 - 6:00 and 6:30 - 9:00 pm) Report Cards Available for Pick-Up
May 1, 2015	Non Instructional Day, No Classes
May 15, 2015	Non Instructional Day, No Classes
May 18, 2015	Victoria Day, No Classes
May 22, 2015	Prom & Dry Grad
June 11, 2015	Commencement
June 18, 2015	Last Day of Formal Classes
June 18-25, 2015	Provincial Exams
June 22-24, 2015	School Exams
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June 18-25, 2015	Provincial Exams
June 22-24, 2015	School Exams
June 26, 2015	Administrative Day/Report Card Pick-Up
June 29, 2015	Report Cards Available 8 am. - 4 pm

Mission International Student Program:

The Mission School District International Student Program is currently looking for nurturing host families to provide a welcoming “home away from home” for our visiting elementary and secondary students. These paid positions are a wonderful opportunity to share your heart and your home as well as our great Canadian culture with young visitors from around the world. Student placements range from 2 weeks to 2 years or more.

We invite you to complete our On-line Application Form to become a host family and be a part of our exciting International Student program. Please complete all 5 sections of the On-line Application Form and we will be happy to contact you for a follow up home visit. Go to: <http://international.mpsd.ca>; Homestay; New Host Families; Click On-line Application Form. For more information, please call the International Program Office: 604-826-6286 Ex. 3336



Aboriginal Dept. News

Students from gr.10-12 had the opportunity to attend a Youth Treaty Forum in Chilliwack. They attended four workshops and a mock Salmon Ceremony learning about the traditions that take place in the longhouse. It was a fun learning experience about history, education, and culture. The Eaglesong Dancers performance was a huge success. The entire school had the opportunity to learn the history behind the dances and songs that were performed. The performers had everyone participate and perform different dances. It was fun and educational for all. Our Artist in Residence Tom continues his work with the core program working on designs for their paddles. Soon they will be taking the designs and carving them into their paddles. Our Youth Lounge is back and will be happening sometime in April please listen to the announcements for the date.

On April 15th we have our Family of Schools dinner at Mission Secondary starting at 4:30 in the big gym. Family and friends are welcome to come celebrate the honouring of all students and their families and special honouring for our Gr.6's and 12's. A flyer will be mailed out later this week for a quick reminder to mark the date.