# Martha Currie Elementary





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Week at a Glance ~ Nov 16 - Nov. 20, 2020

## **Upcoming Events**

#### **Monday**

 Martha Currie Birthday wear MC colours (burgundy & silver)

## **Tuesday**

## Wednesday

#### **Thursday**

Pickup apples @ school1:00 - 2:15 pm

#### **Friday**

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## IMPORTANT DATES

November 25

- Spirit Day Mustache Day
- December 8
- Summative report #1 December 10
- Early Dismissal @ 1:20

## Just a reminder

If your child will be absent from school or late, please call the office at:

ph 604-576-8551

# **Message from the Admin**

We had a beautiful Remembrance Day assembly this week. Kudos to Ms. D. Ariello for her vision of the assembly and to her students for running the virtual assembly. Thank you also to Mr. M. Shortridge for putting the video together. Special thanks to Max R. (Gr. 7, Div. 2) for his incredible bagpipe playing and to Mr. D. Bourassa for playing the Last Post and Rouse around the Minute of Silence.

Tomorrow we will honour Diwali and encourage everyone to wear bright colours. On Monday, students and staff are welcome to wear school colours (burgundy and/or silver) to recognize Martha Currie's birthday.

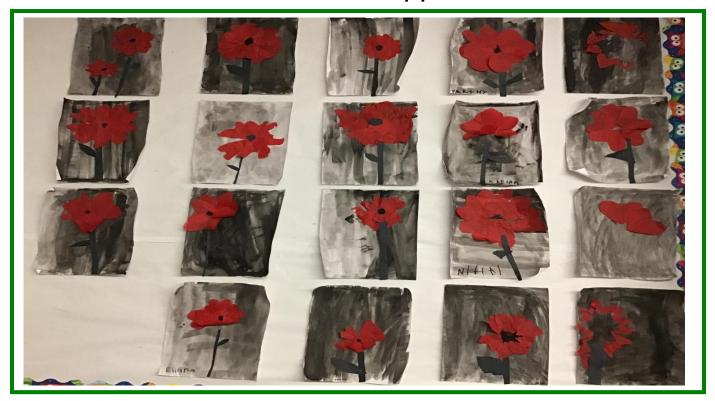
For our Blended Learning families, you can expect a survey coming to you via email on Monday. It will ask you about your plans for January. Please ensure we get the survey completed by Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>. After that, our school will start the process of figuring out how to reconfigure classes for January.

For <u>all</u> families, please know that it is possible for students to be with a different teacher in January. We are going to try our best to keep consistency, but the numbers will drive the final decisions. This is the case throughout Surrey schools.

In this week's WAG, please look for a picture of our new memorial tree. After a thoughtful process that included discussions with staff, PAC, and the affected families, we have removed the memorial wall by the office and honoured some past students and staff with the tree.

Mr. B. Samra and Ms. R. Ladd (Principal) (Vice-Principal)

# Div. 21 - Poppies



Div. 7





Memorial Tree



# The Martha Currie PAC

The next general PAC meeting is on Tuesday December 1st at 7pm via Zoom.

Access codes will be sent out on Monday November 30th.

The grade 7 parents are arranging some fundraisers for the month of November. Information regarding the Purdy's has been sent home (see below) and Neufeld Farms will be coming shortly.

#### **Grade 7 Purdy's Christmas Catalogue Fundraiser**

Again, we are participating in the Purdy's Christmas Catalogue Fundraiser. This is a great chance to get your goodies in time for Christmas and all profits will benefit our Grade 7's and their year end activities!

Please see the link below to order **online and you can pay online as well**.

Please feel free to pass this along to all your family and friends.

Once you follow the link, you need to create your own account. From here you can place your order, as well as invite friends and family to shop through our group domain.

The more we sell, the more it benefits the grade 7 students. All deliveries will be made directly to the school.

A paper catalogue has been sent home to all students - any paper orders completed must be into the school office by November 25, 2020 with cheques made payable to "Martha Currie Elementary" (preference is online orders)

#### ORDER DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 25, 2020 ORDER PICK UP DECEMBER 14 & 15 AFTER SCHOOL BY THE FRONT DOOR



To order Purdy's online, please use the following link:

https://fundraising.purdys.com/1241188-80227

If you have any questions regarding this fundraiser, please email reidclan5@gmail.com

Thank you in advance for supporting our Grade 7's

For those wanting more raffle tickets, we do still have some available so please email Theresa at <a href="mailto:marthacurrie.fundraiser@gmail.com">marthacurrie.fundraiser@gmail.com</a> with your child's name and division and how many books and we will make sure they get to your child's class. If you have unsold ticket books, please return them to the office. Please return payment and ticket stubs once you have sold the tickets.

Due date is December 3<sup>rd</sup>



### **Daily Health Check**

| Key Symptoms of<br>Illness* | Does your child have any of the following key symptoms?             | Circle one |    |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----|
|                             | Fever                                                               | YES        | NO |
|                             | Chills                                                              | YES        | NO |
|                             | Cough or worsening of chronic cough                                 | YES        | NO |
|                             | Shortness of breath                                                 | YES        | NO |
|                             | Loss of sense of smell or taste                                     | YES        | NO |
|                             | Diarrhea                                                            | YES        | NO |
|                             | Nausea and vomiting                                                 | YES        | NO |
| International Travel        | Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?   | YES        | NO |
| Confirmed Contact           | Are you a confirmed contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19? | YES        | NO |

<sup>\*</sup>Check BCCDC's Symptoms of COVID-19 regularly to ensure the list is up to date.

If you answered "YES" to one of the questions included under 'Key Symptoms of Illness' (excluding fever), you should stay home for 24 hours from when the symptom started. If the symptom improves, you may return to school when you feel well enough. If the symptom persists or worsens, seek a health assessment.

If you answered "YES" to two or more of the questions included under 'Symptoms of Illness' or you have a fever, seek a health assessment. A health assessment includes calling 8-1-1, or a primary care provider like a physician or nurse practitioner. If a health assessment is required, you should not return to school until COVID-19 has been excluded and your symptoms have improved.

When a COVID-19 test is recommended by the health assessment:

- If the COVID-19 test is **positive**, you should stay home until you are told by public health to end self-isolation. In most cases this is 10 days after the onset of symptoms. Public health will contact everyone with a positive test.
- If the COVID-19 test is **negative**, you can return to school once symptoms have improved and you feel well enough. Symptoms of common respiratory illnesses can persist for a week or more. Re-testing is not needed unless you develop a new illness.
- If a COVID-19 test is recommended but is not done because you choose not to have the test, or you do not seek a health assessment when recommended, and your symptoms are not related to a previously diagnosed health condition, you should stay home from school until 10 days after the onset of symptoms, and then you may return if you are feeling well enough.

If a COVID-19 test is not recommended by the health assessment, you can return to school when symptoms improve and you feel well enough. Testing may not be recommended if the assessment determines that the symptoms are due to another cause (i.e. not COVID-19).

If you answered "YES" to questions 2 or 3, use the <u>COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool</u> to determine if you should seek testing for COVID-19.

A health-care provider note (i.e. a doctor's note) should not be required to confirm the health status of any individual.

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