

# Miracle Beach Elementary School Newsletter

Hello Miracle Beach Families,

Here are this week's information items. New items are in **Yellow**.

## Week at a Glance

September 23	September 24	September 25	September 26	September 27
Yard Clean Up – Ms. Gravel's Class	Recycling – Leadership  Noon - Choir (Grade 4 to 7)  2:45 – Health and Safety Meeting	10:00 - Adjusted Recess  Tour de Rock Assembly  Fundraising Goal Fun Assembly  Cross Country @ Puntledge	Full School SBT	Orange Shirt Day  Noon – Tone Chimes (Grade 7 Students)
September 30	October 1	October 2	October 3	October 4
National Truth and Reconciliation Day – No School	Noon - Choir (Grade 4 to 7)  5:00pm – Open House	Cross Country @ Brooklyn	Field Trip – Ms. Cadden/ Ms. Gravel's Classes – Comox Harbour	Hot Lunch  Noon – Tone Chimes (Grade 7 Students)

Upcoming dates to note:

- October 1 – Deadline for School Supplies Fees
- October 14 – Thanksgiving (No School)
- October 18 – Photo Retakes
- October 25 – Pro-D Day (No School)

### Join Us for Our Student-Led Open House

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming Open House on October 1st from 5 to 6 PM. This special event is student-led, giving your child the chance to proudly show you their school, share what they've been working on, and introduce you to their teacher.

Please note that this evening is focused on celebrating your child's learning environment and is not intended for discussions about student progress. We'll also have coffee, tea, and light snacks available to enjoy as you explore the school together.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## PAC

This year the PAC is planning a Halloween Dance for October 30th! But we need volunteers to make it happen. If you are interested in joining the committee, please come to the Zoom meeting scheduled for next Thursday!



Topic: Miracle Beach Elementary Halloween Dance  
Time: Sep 25, 2024 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86572637457?pwd=iYalvin3g9LPBoHKEOIOFlaDL5bTUJ.1>

Meeting ID: 865 7263 7457

Passcode: 6Qa1va

## Truth and Reconciliation Week – September 23 to 27

As a school community, we are committed to fostering an environment of inclusivity, learning, and respect. September 30th marks National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, also known as Orange Shirt Day, a day to honor the survivors of residential schools, their families, and communities. It is a time to reflect on the tragic history and lasting impacts of Canada's residential school system, and to recognize the resilience and strength of Indigenous peoples.

Throughout the week, our students will engage in age-appropriate discussions and activities to deepen their understanding of Indigenous history and the ongoing journey toward reconciliation. We encourage

families to continue these conversations at home and explore ways to support truth and reconciliation efforts within the community.



### Hot Lunch

Get ready to say goodbye to packing sandwiches (at least sometimes), because the first Fun Food Friday's lunch menu of the year is officially OPEN for online ordering! But hold up—every family needs to create a new account for this school year. Think of it as a fresh start... for your taste buds!

Click here to order: [mbpac.hotlunches.net](https://mbpac.hotlunches.net)

For our newcomers: welcome! You're in for a treat—literally. The Miracle Beach PAC runs a weekly lunch program most Fridays, except for those Fridays that sneak into a long weekend (they deserve a break too). All ordering is done online, with a magical ordering window (details below). The current menu, "Fall 1 2024," features deliciousness every second Friday from October 4th to November 15th.

💰 A few notes on payment:

PayPal: Pay with your PayPal account or use it as a guest.

E-transfer: Shoot your payment over to [mbhotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:mbhotlunch@gmail.com). Don't forget to add your child's name in the comments and what the payment is for (e.g., lunch).

Cash and cheques? Nope, we've gone digital, folks!

What's on the menu this year? Hot dogs, pizza, Pita Pit pitas, sushi, lo mein, baked potatoes, quesadillas, spaghetti—with vegetarian options on most days! And if that wasn't enough, we've got milk, juice, and cookies to sweeten the deal.

All proceeds go to the Miracle Beach PAC to help support the school and fund fun activities for the kiddos. Thank you for making this a deliciously successful fundraiser!

### Tour de Rock Cancer Fundraising

During the weeks leading up to September 25<sup>th</sup> we will be raising money as a school that will help support cancer research. Our slogan is "Change for Change" (Thank you Ms. Gravel for the catchy slogan). We encourage all families, if able, to send students with a donation of change to be collected in each class.

As an added incentive the class that collects the most money for cancer research will receive a pizza party! As well, if we are able to achieve our school goal of \$2000, we will have a special fun assembly on September 25<sup>th</sup> after Tour de Rock 😊

### Music

Tour de Rock is coming this Wednesday!! Parents are welcome to join the assembly. Please encourage your child to be practicing the song and the dance. We're very excited and the song is coming along well! See Miss Boersma's Music Website (<https://jboersma4.wixsite.com/music>) for the dance tutorials, lyrics and practice videos.

## Music Notes

### Tour de Rock

Tour de Rock is coming back to Miracle Beach Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>! We've already starting working on this year's song. Please encourage your child to be practicing at home. We're adding a little "flash mob dance" as part of our song this year. Students who would like to also do the dance part should practice at home using the links on the right.

**We're All in this Together Sing-a-long!**

**Dance Tutorial**  
Sections 1 and 2 only  
(stop at 6:40)

### Winter Concert Dates

Wed. December 4 – Primary Concert  
Thurs. December 5 – Intermediate Concert  
Fri. December 6 – Seniors' Christmas Tea

### Lunch Activities

Choir will be starting up next week!  
Any student in Grades 4-7 is welcome to join.

Tone Chimes will be starting the following week. Students in Grades 6 and 7 are welcome to join!



Pictures



Leadership Helping with the Terry Fox Run



Freezes after Run



K/1 Class Fun





Reading Practice





**Lunch Time Crafting**

Feel free to email me at [zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca) if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

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