

# 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

November 18	November 19	November 20	November 21	November 22
Indigenous Drumming with Dave Dawson	Scholastic Book Fair 9:00 - Guess my Job Assembly  Noon - Choir (Grade 4 to 7)  2:45 – Staff Meeting	Scholastic Book Fair  Ms. Street's Class – Field Trip - Swimming  Grade 6 Volleyball @ NIDES  Grade 7 Volleyball @ Royston	Scholastic Book Fair  Parent/ Teacher Interviews (No classes in session)	PJ and Stuff Day  Hot Lunch  Noon – Tone Chimes  2:30 – Open Gym
November 25	November 26	November 27	November 28	November 29
Mr. Biegler's Class – Yard Clean Up	Noon - Choir (Grade 4 to 7)  2:45 – Health and Safety Meeting	Ms. Stride & Ms. Berg's Class – Christmas Crafts  Grade 6 Volleyball @ Puntledge  Grade 7 Volleyball @ MBE (Vs Puntledge)	Community School Lunch (Thriving Thursday)	<b>Gym Unavailable</b>  Hot Lunch  Noon – Tone Chimes

Upcoming dates to note:

- December 4 – Winter Concert (Primary)
- December 5 – Winter Concert (Intermediate)
- December 6 - Senior's Tea
- December 13 – Community Market
- December 13 – Term 1 MyEd Learning Updates (Intermediate Students Only)
- December 20 – Last Day Before Winter Break

## Miracle Beach Elementary Community School

Over the past year we have been working towards Miracle Beach Elementary becoming a Community School. Although we are not officially there yet, we are beginning to offer Community School programs and have a volunteer Community School Coordinator. Thank you to Joanne Barr for taking on this role!

### *What is a Community School?*

A community school is a school that partners with community to provide a wide range of programs using the school facility. It serves as a hub for the community, offering not only quality education but also

additional resources, such as health and wellness services, after-school programs, and family support. By integrating these elements, a community school aims to foster a strong sense of belonging, promote student success, and strengthen connections within the community.

### Community School - Thriving Thursday Lunches (Salad bar)

We're thrilled to introduce **Thriving Thursday Lunches (Salad Bar)**—a special lunch program designed to give students a fun and interactive way to make healthy choices and enjoy a delicious, balanced meal!

We will begin Thriving Thursdays on Thursday Nov 28 until Dec 19 and restart in the new year!

#### Here's how it works:

- **What's on the Menu?** Each Thriving Thursday, students participate in a salad or burrito bar, where they can choose from a variety of vegetables, fruits, and proteins to build their ideal lunch.
- **Rotating Schedule:** To keep things simple and efficient so the students have enough time to eat their meal, we will alternate weeks for different divisions:
  - **Divisions 9 to 12** will participate for one week.
  - **Divisions 5 to 8** will participate the following week.
- **For Younger Classes:** Divisions 1 to 4 will receive a share plate in their classroom at no cost. This lets our younger students experience choice and explore new foods in a supportive setting.

#### Cost and Payment Details

- The cost for participating students is **\$5 per lunch**.
- **Ordering Platform:** We are using **Munch a Lunch** for easy ordering! Please note that payments should be sent by e-transfer to a new email address [mbcsc@learn71.ca](mailto:mbcsc@learn71.ca)—please double-check to ensure payments are sent to the correct account. This is a separate ordering platform from Hot Lunch/Fun Food Fridays.

We're excited to offer this opportunity for students to learn about nourishing foods and enjoy some delicious choices. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions about Thriving Thursday Lunches or the new payment system.

#### HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/miraclebeach>
- 2) Click the **"Register Here"** button (as shown below). The system will guide you through.



- 3) After adding your children, click the green "Order Lunch!" button to order.
- 4) Next time, just click the **"Login Here"** button to access your account.

## ORDERING INFORMATION:

- Online ordering will be OPEN from Nov 14 to Nov 24
- If you need assistance with ordering, please contact Joanne at [mbcommunity@gmail.com](mailto:mbcommunity@gmail.com)

## Kids Market

Join us for a festive and creative experience at the Miracle Beach Community Kid Made Market!

Do you know a young artist or budding entrepreneur? Let them shine this holiday season! On December 13th, we're hosting our 3rd Annual Kid Created Market, where kids can sell their handmade crafts, gifts, and baked goodies! This is a wonderful opportunity for them to showcase their talents and earn a little holiday spending money, too!

### 🎁 Event Details:

- Set-up: 2:00 PM
- Doors Open to Public: 2:30 PM Close at 5PM
- Location: Miracle Beach GYM

Tables are free of charge, and kids keep 100% of their profits! Just in time for holiday shopping.

📧 Sign up now! Email us at [miraclebeachpac@gmail.com](mailto:miraclebeachpac@gmail.com) to reserve a table for your child.

👉 Parent participation is required on the day of the event. Let's make this a holiday season to remember. Tag friends and spread the word! Let's support our young creators and celebrate the season together.

**MIRACLE BEACH COMMUNITY**

# Kid Made Market

Does your child have a talent for making crafts, gifts, or baked goods? Empower your child by giving them the opportunity to sell their creations at our 3rd annual kid created market, on **DECEMBER 13th**.

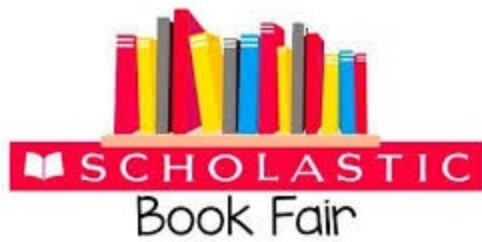
Tables are free of charge set up starts at 2pm, doors open to the public at 2:30, and the kids get to keep all of their own profits just in time for the holidays.

*Sign up for your table today!*

**Email: [miraclebeachpac@gmail.com](mailto:miraclebeachpac@gmail.com)**

Parent Participation is Required the day of the event.

## Book Fair



The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Miracle Beach next week from **Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, November 21st!**

This is an important fundraiser for our library - as all profits are used to buy new books for our collection.

Students will have the opportunity to:

- View the book fair on Tuesday with their class
- Make purchases with their class during their designated time on Wednesday
- Make purchases after-school on Wednesday from 2:30 - 3:00pm.
- Explore the book fair and make purchases with their family during parent-teacher interviews on Thursday from 9:00 - 3:00pm.

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher interviews are on Thursday, November 21. Some teachers are offering select times on Wednesday, November 20 as well. If you would like to schedule something with your child's teacher outside of these days, please feel free to email them directly.

You will find instructions below on how to set up your interview time(s) online.

<https://secure.parentinterviews.com/miraclebeach>

-Click the **Create New Account** button

-Enter your name, email address, phone number, and choose a password

-Click **Continue**

-If you have forgotten your password from last year, click Forgot Password

**Need help?** Click the link below for help with scheduling

<https://help.parentinterviews.com/docs/parents/>

## PAC Fundraising

Winter Fundraiser 2024: Growing Smiles!

Support our school this holiday season by participating in the Winter Fundraiser, featuring a beautiful selection of seasonal plants and arrangements from Growing Smiles! Choose from vibrant poinsettias,

lush indoor planters, festive holiday wreaths, and more. These make perfect gifts or charming decorations for your home.

Order Deadline: Tuesday, November 19

Pick-Up Date: Friday, December 6, after school

Payment: E-transfer to [mbhotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:mbhotlunch@gmail.com), or use the website link to pay with your credit card. Please make note stating which student you are supporting so we can sort for pickup.

To order, visit [miraclebeachelementary.growingsmilesfundraising.com](http://miraclebeachelementary.growingsmilesfundraising.com) or use the paper form that was sent home. If you have questions, please reach out to Mike at [mbpacdad@hotmail.com](mailto:mbpacdad@hotmail.com). Let's bring some festive cheer and support our school with these gorgeous arrangements!

**\*\*This fundraiser will help pay for new gym equipment and help reduce field trip bussing costs. \*\***

### Hot Lunch

We are back with our next menu for FUN FOOD FRIDAYS (Hot Lunch)! Take a break from packing those same old sandwiches (on Fridays at least), ordering is officially OPEN online!

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

New to Fun Food Fridays? You're in for something tasty! The Miracle Beach PAC serves up weekly lunches most Fridays, except when a long weekend swoops in (even our lunches need a little vacay). All orders happen online, with a magic ordering window (details below). Our current menu, "Fall 2 2024," brings deliciousness every Friday from November 22nd to December 13th. Get started today—ordering is open as of November 8th, 2024!

💰 Payment Options:

PayPal: Use your PayPal account or go in as a guest.

E-transfer: Send payments to [mbhotlunch@gmail.com](mailto:mbhotlunch@gmail.com). Remember to include your child's name and note it's for lunch.

No Cash or Cheques: We've gone fully digital!

What's on the Menu? Get ready for crowd-pleasers like hot dogs, pizza, Pita Pit pitas, sushi, lo mein, baked potatoes, quesadillas, spaghetti—and yes, vegetarian options are here! Plus, we've got milk, juice, and cookies to top it all off.

The small amount of proceeds from this program go to the Miracle Beach PAC, supporting our school and funding fun activities for the kiddos. Thank you for making this a delicious success!

Bon appétit and happy ordering! 😊  
Your Friendly Fun Food Friday Crew!

## Music

**Choir Retreat** – November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 from 9 am – Noon

Once again, this year, we will be holding our choir retreat morning on Parent – Teacher Interview Day. All choir members are encouraged to join us at the school for a morning of fun, team building, and choir rehearsal time.

**Primary Christmas Concert-** Students were sent home with a note about costumes today! Please look for your child's letter. If your child has a speaking part of a feature role, their bug character is written on the paper, along with an attached script with their line / lines to be memorized. For students who have not been assigned a specific "bug" they get to choose which bug character they would like to dress up as. Please let your classroom teacher know which type of bug you have chosen. Costume ideas are on Miss Boersma's Website.

Please encourage your child to be practicing their songs. We have **only 2 weeks** until performance week!! Lyrics and audio tracks are on my Miss Boersma's website. She will try to post action videos as well over the weekend.

Miss Boersma's Website <https://jboersma4.wixsite.com/music> and the password when needed: miracle

Please speak to your classroom teacher if you have any questions or concerns.



Pictures





**For those who are interested in the Montessori Program (Queneesh and or Courtenay Elementary) for the 2025-2026 school year there is an information session at Queneesh Elementary on Wednesday, November 27, 2024 starting at 6:30 pm.**

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,

**Zale Darnel**  
Principal, Miracle Beach Elementary