

# THE MACNEILL WEEKLY

## PARENT EDITION

# VOL. SEPT

MON	BACK TO SCHOOL	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
02	03	04	Day 1	05	Day 2
06	Day 1	ADVISORY CLASS ALL WEEK			
Labor Day (School Closed)	Welcome Back! 9-10:30 - Gr. 8 Advisory 11:00 - Gr. 9 Advisory 12:00 - Gr. 10/11 Advisory 1:00 - Gr. 12 Advisory	First Day of Regular Classes			



### School success starts with attendance

Student success and attendance are directly connected. We know that if students are at school more regularly, on time and prepared that they have already increased their opportunity to more successful in classes and school as a whole. It is important for us as a school that each student is on time and ready to learn and we hope it is the same for you and your child. In order to start the day off on the best foot it is important for the students to be early. Reviewing the daily bell schedule or posting this in your household will help everyone. Regular attendance is a key to success in school.

**Parents/Guardians are asked to phone the school's Early Warning line directly at 604-668-6278 or you can email [macneill@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:macneill@sd38.bc.ca) before 9:00 AM if your child is going to be absent, late or signing out.**

**Each day, the school will send a phone or email notification to a parent/guardian to confirm a student's absence from school unless communication is made by the parent/guardian prior to 9:00 AM.**

**Please note, students are not permitted to phone in for themselves.**

**Attendance confirmations will only be accepted by the student's parents/guardians.**

When you call or email, please provide your name, whether you are the parent or guardian, and provide the following information:

- Student's first and last name, grade and student number
- Brief details about the absence or tardiness (i.e. date, reason and duration of late/absence).

Please note, if your teen needs to leave school early for an appointment, they must sign out at the office before they leave and only with parent authorization prior through email, the early warning line or signed note from a parent or we will phone home to confirm. If students arrive late to school or return after an appointment, they must sign in at the office before going to class.

**For ANY attendance discrepancies regarding absences or lates please have your student or yourself speak with the teacher directly to get that adjusted.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- SEPT. 2 • LABOR DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)
- SEPT. 3 • FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - WELCOME BACK STUDENTS!
- SEPT. 4 • FIRST DAY OF REGULAR SCHEDULE CLASSES  
**\*\*ADVISORY CLASS FIRST ALL WEEK\*\***
- SEPT. 16 • PHOTO DAY (MORNING)
- SEPT. 19 • COLLABORATION DAY (ALTERNATE SCHEDULE)
- SEPT. 18 • PAC MEETING AT 6:30PM
- SEPT. 19 • MEET THE TEACHER  
GRADE 8 ACTIVITY DAY
- SEPT. 22 • PRO-D DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)
- SEPT. 24 • GR. 11/12 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT - 6:30 PM
- SEPT. 28 • TERRY FOX RUN (ALTERNATE BELL SCHEDULE)
- SEPT. 30 • NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION (SCHOOL CLOSED)



## TRAFFIC NOTICE FOR DROP OFFS

**Attention Parents:** if you are coming into the parking lot, please remember NOT to stop right in front of the school to drop off your child, as this blocks and stops traffic, causing a back up all the way down our school driveway and on to No. 4 Road.

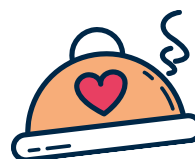
Please ensure when you come into the parking lot, you drive past the orange cones, turn right (near the gyms) and proceed to drop off your child along that stretch of the driveway. You may then exit the parking lot on to Granville Ave. Thank you for your attention to this matter, so we can ensure the safety of our students as well as maintaining the proper flow of traffic.



## PERSONALISED LEARNING TIME (PLT)

Every week at MacNeill students will have the opportunity to engage with some Personalised Learning Time (PLT).

Personalized Learning Time, (PLT) is a period of time set aside each week for students to have self-directed learning time with their teachers. **This will occur each week on Wednesday & Thursday Mornings from 08:30 – 09:30 am.** We will follow a slightly different bell schedule. Students are expected to pick a session they would like to participate in such as a fun activity or an activity that will assist them in their studies.



## CAFETERIA MENU

- Labor Day (School Closed) • Monday
- None - Short Day • Tuesday
- Lasagna • Wednesday
- Bacon Cheese Burgers & Fries • Thursday
- Mac & Cheese • Friday