

M.V. BEATTIE BULLETIN

"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower. " - Albert Camus

Upcoming Events

Oct. 1- Kindergarten
Registration (2020-21) begins

Oct. 4 - Intermediate Enderby
Cliff Hike

Oct. 9 - Splatsin Parent
Evening @ ALF 5pm

Oct. 10 - PAC meeting @
5:30pm

Oct. 14 - Thanksgiving

**Oct. 21 - Interim Reports
Week** - Parents should expect
communication home from
teachers regarding their
child's progress.

Drop Everything & Read day

Oct. 22 - Photo Retakes

Oct. 25 - Provincial Pro-D

Oct. 30 Gr. 6 Immunization

Oct. 31 - Halloween Fashion
Show 9:00am

Ice Cream Social Success



Our 2019-20 Welcome Back "Ice Cream Social" was another great turnout - as nearly 400 ice cream cones were scooped out for the families that attended. Thank you for taking the time to come visit with us and meet your child's classroom teacher.

Despite the handful of challenges to start the year (the last minute addition of a 14th division and the loss of our gym), we have started off with great enthusiasm and optimism. The 2019-20 school year looks like it will be another great one. We look forward to working together with our families to ensure the success of "our kids!"



***NEW* Online option for Fee Payment**

Well, in our rapidly changing world, the technology was bound to hit MVB at some point...so, in an effort to make life just a little easier, you will now be able to use **ParentConnect** to pay student activity and supply fees. Click on the **Fees** drop down menu and follow the instructions.

Rugby Intramurals



Our Intermediate students have been introduced to Touch Rugby during their PE classes, and now have the opportunity each Tues/Thurs at lunch to participate in intramural games. All grade 4-6 students are welcome to give it a try!

Terry Fox Run



Congratulations to our students and staff for another excellent showing! Our primary students once again ran around our outer fields for close to 20 minutes, while our intermediate students ran a 3 km route. Not only did we have a great run, our families and community support showed up in spades. Our students and families were able to raise a new M.V. Beattie record of \$1541.70 to support an incredibly worthy cause. Thank you for showing your community spirit!



Volunteer Drivers

A reminder that both staff and parents are required to follow the new district policy prior to being able to transport our students. The following documents are needed to help out as a volunteer driver:

- A copy of a valid Driver's Licence
- A copy of you Driver's Abstract
- A copy of the Vehicle Registration
- A copy of the vehicle's Insurance

Thanks again for taking the time to complete this process!

Allergies Anyone?

We are asking parents to **let us know** if your child has a serious allergy to specific foods or scents. As was the case last year, we may have some classrooms that are NUT-Free, while in other classrooms they may be permissible.

We also ask visitors to be sensitive to the fact that there are people who struggle with strong odours. Thanks for avoiding strong scents when coming to school.

M.V. Beattie Goes GaGa!



Thanks to the generosity of Darwin Dwornik, of ISFINC, who built and donated the metal braces free of charge, and the "friends prices" that Central Hardware gave us for the wood, MV Beattie was able to put together not one but **two** GaGa Ball pits! However, they did not just magically appear; Amanda Renner - and some of her helpers - Mike Purr, Kathy and Faith Haupt - did a masterful job of putting it all together after school one day. The morning after was mayhem! What a great way to start the day. Our primary students were not entirely sure what to make of the structure, but once they were given the rules...it was GAME ON! Thanks to PAC for supporting this venture!

Orange Shirt Day



On Sept. 30th, M.V. Beattie staff and students wore their orange shirts to both remember the tragedy that occurred through the creation of the residential school system, and also to look forward toward the process of truth and reconciliation - which provides us with hope for the future. Our whole school gathered in the outdoor classroom and Ms. Quaal welcomed us to the Secwepmc territory and shared opening remarks about the significance of the symbolic orange shirt. Our music teacher, Mrs. Peters, had been working with our students to learn a



“Gratitude Song” and explained that she learned it from an Elder from the Nuuchahnulth (New-cha-nulth) First Nation (from the West Coast of Vancouver Island), named Jessica Sault. The song was a way for her to express gratitude for the fact that she is still here, that she survived so much trauma, and that she can continue to help strengthen her community and culture. Thanks to everyone for creating a wonderful tribute!