

#### MAPLE LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Mrs. L. Schwartz, Principal

# MAPLE LANE Community The Week Ahead: September 13 – 17<sup>th</sup>

Monday:	Y	
<u>Tuesday:</u>		
Wednesday:		
Thursday:	First full day for our new Kindergartens	
Friday:		



Welcome to another year of learning at Maple Lane School. We are so excited to meet all of the students, new and returning.

We are proud to be home of the Maple Lane Lightening where we take care of ourselves, each other and our school and community.

### **Important Information:**

## 1) Staffing Updates:

Over the Summer, we said farewell to Ms. L. Brown (Educational Assistant). We are sad to see her go, but we are lucky we will still see her around the school as a parent.

We welcome: Ms. Hu who will be teaching Gym, Music and Learning Resource and Ms. Lam who will be teaching band to Division 1 and 2 this year.

We are currently updating our student medical alert list and necessary documentation. If you do not receive a form by the end of next week and

- your child has an allergy or medical condition, please call the school office and let us know so we can get it to you as soon as possible.
- 3) September startup notices will be sent home later next week. This is a package of notices and permission forms regarding school supplies, walking field trips and your child's verification form. Please complete these and return them at your earliest convenience.
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- 4) As some of our Covid protocols soften, you will notice that we no longer require working in cohorts. With students returning and getting the chance to see one another more so, we are really focusing on **RECONNECTION** and meeting our students where they are at social-emotionally and academically.



- 5) Thank you for continuing to do the *Mandatory Daily Health Check*. It is attached for your reference. Should your child have any of the symptoms noted, please call the office to inform us of your child's absence. We thank you for remembering to wear your masks, especially for all grade 4-7 students.
- 6) Child Absences and Early Warning: If your child will be away from school, please call the Early Warning Line at 604-668-6192 before 9:00 a.m. with the following message:
  My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_ I am calling to let you know that \_\_\_\_\_\_ (child's name) in Division \_\_\_\_\_ will not be at school today.



- 7) Electronic Communication is an important piece of how we would like to communicate with you. Please ensure that we have your current email address so that we can keep you updated with our week ahead emails. Mrs. Schwartz sends out a weekly memo each Friday (sometimes on Saturday) digitally. Please take the time to read it. You can also check out our school website, <a href="https://maplelane.sd38.bc.ca">https://maplelane.sd38.bc.ca</a> for up-to-date calendar information and school news later in the month! Should you have any questions, please call the school office at 604-668-6692. Office hours are from 8:00am 4:00pm.
- 8) The government recently passed legislation to make September 30<sup>th</sup> a federal statutory holiday called the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**. As such, all schools in the Richmond School District will be closed on Thursday, September 30, 2021.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation This day provides an opportunity for all Canadians to recognize and commemorate the legacy of residential schools. This may present itself as a day of quiet reflection or participation in a community event. Schools in our district will be engaged in a variety of activities leading up to September

 $30^{\text{th}}$  to ensure that students understand the significance of this day in our community and in our nation.

9. **Meet Staff Information Night:** We had planned to have our Meet the Staff evening on Monday, September 20. But due to the Federal Election, we will be choosing a different date. Stay tuned for more details.

## **Upcoming Dates:**



September 23<sup>rd</sup> Terry Fox Run

September 24<sup>th</sup> – Pro-d Day (No School)

September 29<sup>th</sup> – Orange Shirt Day

September 30<sup>th</sup> – National Truth & Reconciliation Day (No School)

Looking forward to a great year at Maple Lane. Have a wonderful and restful weekend with your families!

Mrs. Lisa Schwartz Principal