



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Winter has arrived!

We are excited to see students enjoying our “Game Zones” on the field. We’ve provided a collection of sports balls to each class. With coaching and support, students are developing collaboration and problem-solving skills in the context of sports during recess. Lots of students are stepping into leadership roles at these times.

With the transition to winter, the colder weather has arrived. Students spend an hour outside each day so please send them in warm clothes.

In the three weeks ahead, we will continue to focus on kindness with peers, teamwork with classmates, and resilience in the face of cold and snowy weather!

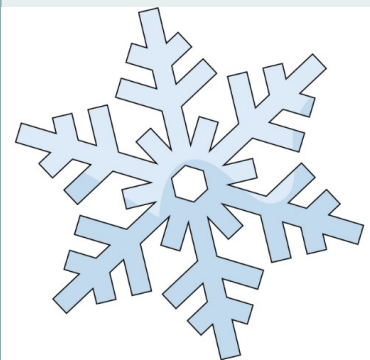
Have a *delightful December* !

Paul Reed

Principal

QUICK REMINDERS

- Guests are asked to enter at the main entrance and begin your visit at the office. Our doors are newly decorated to guide you!
- Students have two snack times and a lunch period each day.



IMPORTANT DATES:

Dec. 5—SCC Meeting at 5:30pm

Dec. 8—Fun Friday: Winter Wonderland (wear white)

Dec. 15—Fun Friday: Holiday Sweater/shirt

Dec. 15—Winter Breakfast at YMCA

Dec. 20— Pizza Day

Dec. 21—Mary Street Winter Concert (Students only)

Dec. 22— Fun Friday: PJ Day

Dec. 23—Jan. 7—Winter Break

Jan. 8—First Day Back

CALENDAR:

<https://marystreet-calendar.ddsbc.ca>

STAY INFORMED:

- Contact your child's teacher
- Read the School Messenger emails

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (SCC)

The Mary Street *School Community Council* is always looking for new members. The next meeting is on **Dec. 5 at 5:30pm**. It will be a hybrid model (virtual & in-person). The link will be emailed. There will be free child care for the meeting.

Future dates: Feb. 6, Mar. 5, May 7, June 4.

If you'd like to donate to the school, we are currently accepting new underwear and new/gently used pants for JK-Gr.3. We also accept gift cards to give to families.

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT



Left - On Silly Sock Day, Ms. Kipp's class showed school spirit and celebrated difference!



Right - Students showed excellent engagement and participation during the MSCS Remembrance Day Assembly last month.

OUR PLACES of SIGNIFICANCE

We are starting a school-wide project!

Each student will get to put a sticker on the big map in our front hall. It will give all students the chance to show *and* celebrate a place that's of personal significance to them. It could be their country/city/neighbourhood of origin, an important family location, a special vacation spot, or a place they hope to visit one day.

An *Info Sheet* will be sent home with each student so that they can indicate their location and provide a quick sentence about it.



SCHOOL VISION

At Mary Street, we continue to focus on creating a safe and inclusive learning environment for all. Staff are committed to our MSCS Core Priorities and Impactful Practices to engage all students.

Core Priorities



**Mattering
& Belonging**

Engagement

Academic Growth

Impactful Practices

Success Criteria

Learning Goals

Differentiation

Assessment Loop

Guided Practice

Descriptive Feedback

Community Circles

CRRP

"Worthwhile" Tasks