

## October 2016 - Newsletter #2

Dear Parents/Guardians of Albert McMahon Students:

The school year is now well under way. Interim reports went home earlier this week. Teachers are busy with teaching and assessing leading up to our first term formal reports, which will be sent home on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. Parent/Teacher conferences will be on the evening of Tuesday Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>. If your child's teacher needs to schedule the conferences on another day, he or she will let you know. Our school programs are all up and running. Peer counselors have been helping out with primary students at lunch times. The athletics at McMahon are always popular with our students and this year we had our cross country teams compete at the Hatzic and Heritage Park events. Basketball season has begun with games kicking off this Thursday. Many students will represent McMahon's Me to We Program at the main event in Vancouver on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks Mrs. Anderson for sponsoring our Me to We team. As you are aware, the hot lunch program is also up and running. Thanks to the PAC volunteers for providing this and many other services at our school. It is a great pleasure to be working in this positive learning environment.

Happy Halloween!

Sincerely,

David Cyr  
Principal

Cyndie Anderson  
Vice Principal

### TERRY FOX RUN

On September 29<sup>th</sup> Albert McMahon students took part in the annual Terry Fox Run. We are proud to share with everyone that our school raised **\$609.00** for the Terry Fox Foundation! It is heartwarming to see that such a generous, giving spirit exists in our school.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY

School will not be in session on Remembrance Day, **Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**. We will be holding a Remembrance Day assembly on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend.

### FALL BACK!

Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour on **Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**

### PHOTO RETAKES

Photo retakes will be on **Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

### LICE CHECKS

We are asking for your help. There have been a couple of incidents of head lice recently at the school and we would like to make sure these occurrences are eradicated. Families will be notified by the office if any evidence of lice or nits is in their children's hair. Parents are encouraged to check their children's hair frequently. Please notify the school if you discover head lice on your child so that we can inform all class members to have their hair checked. Thank you for your cooperation.

## WEST COAST RECESS

Please remember as the weather constantly changes we will continue to have a "West Coast Recess". Students need an active break from the classroom environment and will be expected to be outside at recess regardless of the weather. Of course consideration will be given to extreme weather conditions. Please ensure that your child is prepared for the possibility of inclement weather and an outside recess. This means students come to school wearing a proper jacket and proper footwear. Umbrellas and boots are always a great idea on those wet west coast days. All students should keep a spare set of clothing (particularly pants) at school. Many thanks!



## INCLEMENT WEATHER

In case of problematic weather arriving and causing school closure decisions, district-wide or partial, please check the district website at:

[http://www.mpsd.ca/districtinformation/closures\\_vie\\_w.aspx](http://www.mpsd.ca/districtinformation/closures_vie_w.aspx) which is updated daily with any unscheduled school closures, or listen to the radio for unscheduled closures.

- CBC Radio One
- CKNW - 980 AM
- Country - 107.1 FM
- CKWX (News 1130) 1130AM
- STAR FM - 98.3 FM

## BLANKET AND COAT DRIVE

The weather is getting chillier and gets very cold for people in need of proper housing and clothing. You can help somebody in need simply by donating a new or gently used blanket or coat to the box in our foyer. We are doing this in conjunction with a local charity, Blanket BC. For more information, check their website: <http://www.blanketbc.org>



## HALLOWEEN SAFETY

WorkSafe BC's "enews" has some timely safety tips for parents, pet owners, drivers and those considering using fireworks this Halloween. Read the tips online at: <http://www2.worksafebc.com/enews/131023/131023.htm>

Have a safe and Happy Halloween!

## FRASER HEALTH UNIT

Fraser Health has a wonderful sight you can access on the internet. It's a valuable resource for all school aged health questions at your fingertips. The website is: [http://www.fraserhealth.ca/your\\_health/school\\_health/](http://www.fraserhealth.ca/your_health/school_health/)

## PAC FUNDRAISING

PAC will be sending out their winter fundraiser pack shortly for Purdy's, poinsettias and Neufeld Farms. Money raised by this fundraiser will help support various PAC initiatives within the school (eg: providing funds for class field trips, hosting a grade 6 year end luncheon and purchasing new technology). If you would like to order any items from Purdy's or Neufeld Farms, please fill in the order forms and return to the school by Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm. Poinsettias can be ordered through our new online program [mcmahon.hotlunches.net](http://mcmahon.hotlunches.net). Paper forms are available in the office upon request. Access code is AMHL (case sensitive). Pick up is Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:15 pm.

## MISSION SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

The following information has been posted to the School District's website ([www.mpsd.ca](http://www.mpsd.ca))

### Public Feedback Requested: Draft Board Meeting Procedures

A recommendation was passed unanimously by the Board of Education at the October 18, 2016 Public meeting.

The draft Board Meeting Procedures Policy was approved in principle is referred to the public for comment and consideration.

Deadline for written submission: November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Submit to: [Tracy.Orobko@mpsd.ca](mailto:Tracy.Orobko@mpsd.ca)

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**DON'T FORGET! IMPORTANT DATES....**

**Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>** - Photo re-takes

**Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>** - Turn clocks back one hour

**Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>** - NO SCHOOL - Dismissal at 11:00 a.m. (Assessment and Evaluation day - During the afternoon, teachers will be working on assessment and evaluation of student learning).

**Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>** - NO SCHOOL- Remembrance Day stat

**Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>** - Report cards home

**Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>** - PAC meeting 8:30 a.m.

**Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>** - NO SCHOOL

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Indoor Market:** Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 10 am-2 pm. 33700 Prentis Avenue. Visit [www.missioncityfarmersmarket.com](http://www.missioncityfarmersmarket.com)

**Halloween Hoot:** Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 10 am-1 pm. Children's celebration at the Mission Leisure Centre with crafts, bouncy castle, community and milestone information.

**Downtown Trick or Treating:** Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 3 to 5 pm. Walk along 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and receive treats from participating shops while supplies last.

**Bald Eagle Festival:** November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. View eagles in the wild as well as presentations, nature and environment exhibits. For more information go to [www.fraservalleybaldeaglefestival.ca](http://www.fraservalleybaldeaglefestival.ca)

**National Child Day:** November 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 am-1 pm. Children's celebration at the Mission Leisure Centre with crafts, bouncy castle, community and developmental information.

**MISSION LIBRARY**

**Tape Town:** Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Grab your toy cars and come for a fun afternoon driving around tape roads and exploring the town! Clean your toy car at the carwash, make a stop at the hospital to help the stuffies get better, or add your masterpiece to the art gallery. With plenty of interactive activities, your little one will be too busy having fun to notice that they're learning too!

Please visit the latest library programs at [www.fvrl.ca](http://www.fvrl.ca)

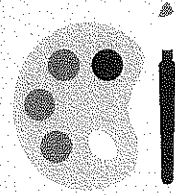
# November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Photo re-takes	2	3 We Day	4 Movie Night "The Secret Life of Pets"	5
6 Turn clocks back one hour	7 Hot Lunch Subway	8 Remembrance Day Assembly 11:00 am	9	10 Half Day Assessments Dismissal at 11:00	11 Remembrance Day NO SCHOOL	12
13	14 Hot Lunch Hotties Pasta	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Report cards home  Hot Lunch Chili and Bun	22 Parent/teacher conferences (evening)	23	24 Purdy's, poinsettias & Neufeld Farms fundraisers are due back Newsletter available on-line PAC meeting 8:30 a.m	25 NO SCHOOL	26
27	28 Hot Lunch MK Sushi	29	30			



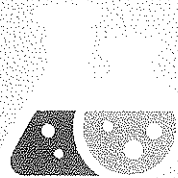
**MISSION DPAC IS PLEASED TO PRESENT  
DR. CHARLES UNGERLEIDER**

**SUPPORTING SCHOOL SUCCESS**



# What parents should know and be able to do.

Dr. Charles Ungerleider, one of Canada's best known and most highly respected researchers in the field of learning and education.



Formerly a professor of the Sociology of Education at the University of British Columbia, from 1998 until 2001, Dr. Ungerleider also served as Deputy Minister of Education for the Province of British Columbia.

Ungerleider's writing has been published in scholarly, professional and popular media. He has taught about the principles of teaching, the sociology of education, the social and organizational context of education in Canada, and educational governance and politics in Canada.

**November 28th**

**6.30PM DOORS OPEN  
7.00-8.00PM PRESENTATION**

**Free Child Care**

**PROVIDED BY ECE TRAINED STAFF  
6.45-8.00PM**

**Clarke Theatre**

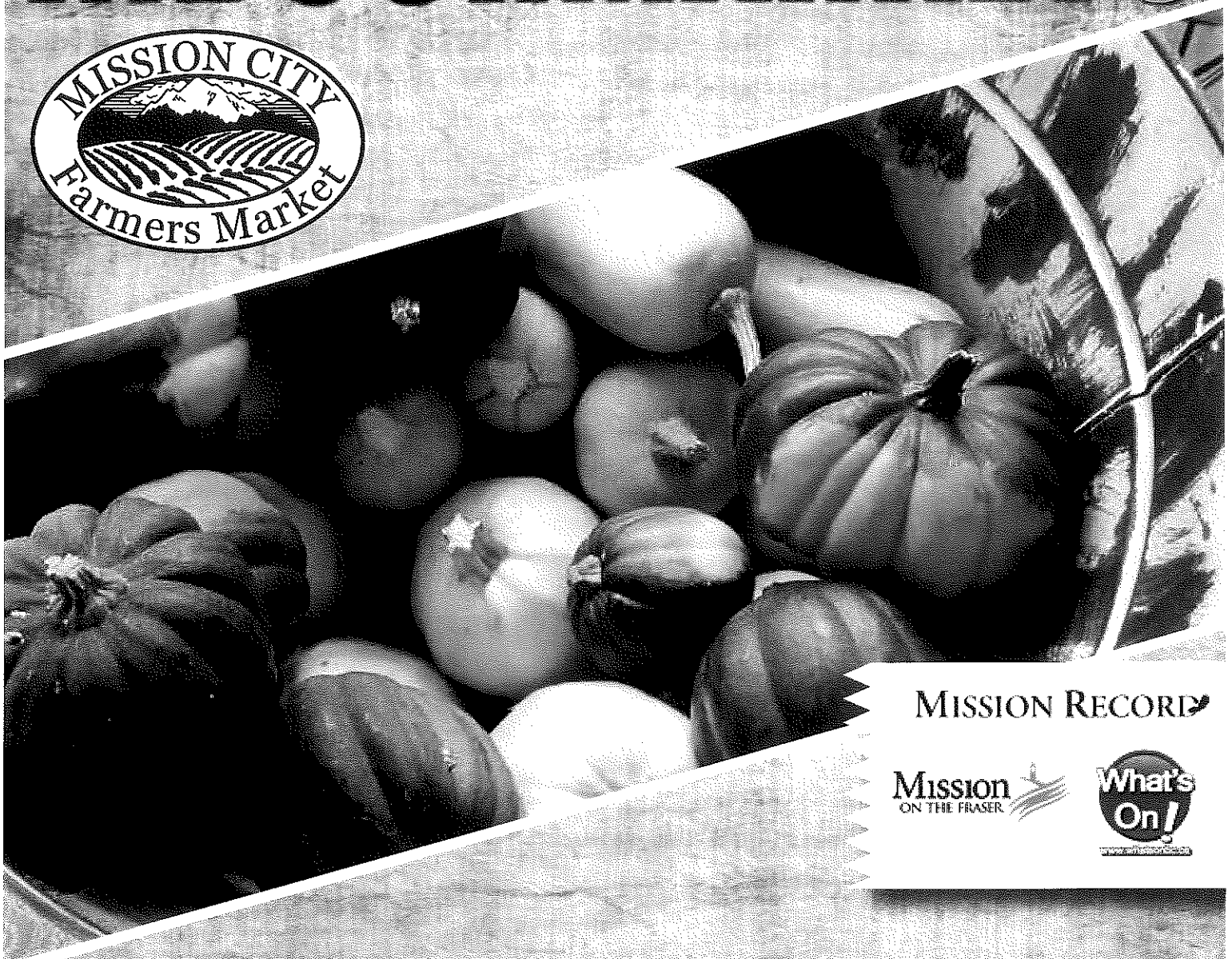
**33700 PRENTIS AVENUE  
MISSION**

**FREE EVENT BUT  
Donations  
FOR FOOD BANK ACCEPTED**

Please email [dpac@mpsd.ca](mailto:dpac@mpsd.ca) with any questions.

MISSION CITY FARMERS MARKET

# INDOOR MARKETS



MISSION RECORD

MISSION  
ON THE FRASER

What's  
On!  
[www.whatson.com](http://www.whatson.com)

Saturday, October 29th  
Saturday, November 26th

Saturday, February 4th  
Saturday, March 11th

10:00 am - 2:00 pm at Heritage Park Middle School

33700 Prentis Avenue

604.302.5561 [www.missioncityfarmersmarket.com](http://www.missioncityfarmersmarket.com)

