

Principal's Message

Dear MMES Families,

I am very excited to introduce myself as the new principal of Martin Morigeau Elementary School. It is a pleasure to be joining your beautiful community dedicated to the success and well-being of all children.

I want you to know that my top priority is to foster an environment where each of your children feel valued and supported to achieve their full potential. I know that strong partnerships between home and school are essential to creating a positive learning experience for our students.

MMES has a wonderful staff team that is committed to creating a safe and caring school and ensuring this is a year filled with joy and growth. We look forward to meeting each of you and learning more about your children.

Thank you for welcoming me into the MMES family. Please reach out to me anytime you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Crystal Woodworth





Attendance:

Please call the school @ 250-349-5665 and follow the prompts or use the following extensions if your child will be away, or will be more than a few minutes late:

Holly Pietrosky– 4661

Or email to: mmes.office@sd6.bc.ca

The safety of our students is always our main concern. It is critical to be certain that, if a student is not at school, they are safe with you. We will call you if your child does not arrive at school.

For a multi-day absence: We will only call on the 1st day and will not call again if you have informed us that your child will be away for certain days.

Underlying Medical Conditions

Please let us know immediately if your child has any underlying conditions that we need to be aware of. This includes, asthma, allergies and any medications your child may be on. The medical alert form is included in the online forms package through Clevr and needs to be updated yearly.

BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2024-2025

Monday – Thursday

1447 instructional minutes/week

8:30 a.m.	- 5 Minute Warning Bell
8:35 a.m.	-In class
10:20 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	- Recess
12:00 p.m. –12:50 p.m.	- Lunch
3:00 p.m.	- Dismissal

Friday

8:30 a.m.	- 5 Minute Warning Bell
8:35 a.m.	- In class
10:20 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	- Recess
12:07 p.m.	- Dismissal

Kindergarten will start full day on September 16th.

Supervision will be:

8:20– 8:30 am and 3:00-3:10 pm. Mon-Thurs.

8:20– 8:30 am and 12:07-12:17pm Fridays.

Please be aware we are a Nut Alert School.

We do have a couple spaces in the school that are NUT FREE: the 3/4/5 Room, Library and Communal spaces.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

Students are **not to cross the parking lot**. Please follow Entrance and Exit signs and drop or walk your child to the front gate by the EXIT sign.

Thanks for keeping everyone safe!

Messages for Students:

In the event of an EMERGENCY, parents may ask the office staff to take a message for students. We will relay the message and, if needed, have your child call you back. Students may not send or receive phone calls or messages on cell phones during school hours. Please work with your child to arrange all after school playdates outside of school hours.

Book Fair & Open House:

Save the date—Wednesday September 18th from 3:30-5:30pm. Come tour the school, meet teachers and staff and visit the school book fair!

PAC NEWS:

We will let everyone know by email when the first PAC meeting of the year will be. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

School Supply Fees:

Please create an account on *School Cash Online* to pay all student fees for the year. Registration is easy and free. Visit <https://sd6.schoolcashionline.com/>

This will not include fundraisers or PAC events.

The supply fee cost is \$40.00 for the year. Please send in or pay immediately on school cash.

If other arrangements are needed, please see Holly or Crystal.

Cell Phones/ Electronic Devices:

Must be left at home or stored in backpacks during the school day. The school is not responsible for personal items.

SEESAW:

Please check with your child's teacher if you are not already subscribed. This is how teachers will be communicating with parents for your child's learning, class activities etc.

Correct Contact Information and Phone-Email info:

Please make sure the office has all your correct information throughout the year.

Online Forms:

This year we are moving toward being green.

We will be using as many online options as possible. Please create an account on our **CLEVR** platform and update your students forms for start-up. You can find this on the sd6 website.

MMES STAFF

Crystal Woodworth – Administrator

Holly Pietrosky – Admin Assistant

Kendra Day – Learning Services

Carrie Murphy – Gr. Kindergarten/One

Beth Saffin – Grade Two/Three

Myriam Anton-Grades Three/Four/Five (until January)

Josephine Mouly – Grades Three/Four/Five (back in January)

Lizzie Midyette- Grades Five/Six/Seven

Angela Robson –EA

Brianna Mcindoe-Roy – EA

Janis Larson – EA

Cheryl Small- Lunch Supervisor

Kelsey Olson – Indigenous Support Worker

Emily Jones- Youth Care Worker

Candy Afonso-Custodian

Sue Bradley- Counsellor

Marcia Madsen- Speech Language Pathologist

School T-Shirts

We will be ordering school T-Shirts this year.

You will find the link to order for your child on School Cash nline (payment website) or see Holly in the office to place an order. If parents/siblings would like to order one as well, you may place your order and payment with your child's order.

We would like to thank PAC for helping to subsidize the costs for student T-shirt orders. Each student shirt will cost \$5.00 and any parent/sibling orders will be full price \$20.00.

Hello MMES families! I am excited to return this year as the Indigenous Education Student Support Worker at MMES. I am here every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Beginning next Thursday September 12, I will be running an afterschool program from 3-4pm. The programs will run on a 6-week rotation. For the first rotation we will be doing **sports and recreation for grades 4-7**. After October 17th we will switch up the grades and activities (families will be notified closer to the time).

I look forward to spending more time with these amazing kiddos! Please reach out if you have any questions.

Kelsey Olson

Kelsey.olson@sd6.bc.ca

Strong Start

Welcome back Strong Start Families!

I hope everyone had a fun and relaxing summer break!

I am looking forward to hearing all the stories and memories made spent in the sunshine!

I will be running the Strong Start Program this year, a FREE program offered every Monday/Tuesday. Located in the gymnasium at Martin Morigeau Elementary School.

This program will run from 9:30-11:30 A.M. Drop in at anytime! We offer this to parents and caregivers with children ages zero to five years old. Morning snack and water is provided! Along with crafts, reading, toys and fun! I look forward in seeing you all again and hope for new families to join!

Jillian Larson