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Wildcat Weekly

In Remembrance

Thank you to all of our community members who were able to share pictures and stories from their family around Remembrance Day. A special thank you to Grade 8 students, Lane and Bethany for their work with organizing the Remembrance Ceremony. And none of this would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of Mrs. Smallwood in the Learning Commons.

We invite you to view the ceremony [here](#).

Basketball Coaches Needed!

With the basketball season slated to start in late November, we are excited to see a huge interest in MCS students wanting to play!

We hope to make as many teams as possible, so that anyone who wants to play have the opportunity.

To do this however, we need coaches!

If you or someone you know is interested in coaching basketball, please let us know! We are hoping to have teams in grades 6, 7, & 8 to develop our program, but we can only do so with the help of our school community.

Please reach out with any questions. We look forward to offering basketball to as many Wildcats as possible!



REMINDERS

- Both Thursday, November 11th and Friday, November 12th are student non attendance days in recognition of Remembrance Day and for Teacher Professional Learning.
- Christmas Boxes due Monday, November 15th
- Directory Contest due November 30th
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Improving our School

Each year, we work as a school to gather and analyse data so that we can continually improve the educational experience offered at Millarville Community School. This year we have identified three key areas that we hope to address throughout the school year, and over the next three months we will speak to one of those goals, followed by a discussion around that goal at the following School Council meeting.

Our first goal is around Engagement with our community. Traditionally, Millarville Community School has been a major part of the greater community, with parents, local experts, and local organizations spending a large amount of time in the school, with our students, building on the sense of belonging and connectedness. With the pandemic, we have been unable to have that same connection to our families and community, leaving parents and students with a feeling of loss.

Engagement Goal

Create, reintroduce and improve opportunities for the school community to access the school and to provide timely feedback to inform school decisions

Our work around engagement is focused on reconnecting as we slowly discover what will be the new normal. Moving forward, we don't know when or if we will return to pre-pandemic conditions in schools, so it is important we keep the context in mind as we look at how we are progressing. We invite and value ideas from all of our community, as one of the great lessons of the pandemic is how difficulties will drive innovations. We hope that you will attend our next school council meeting on December 7th to discuss this.

As always, thank you for your continued support,
Tim Hasiuk