

November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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# Wildcat Weekly

### Learner Profiles and Conferences

Learner Profiles are being sent home on Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. If you do not receive your students' learner profiles, please contact the school. Some email addresses have trouble receiving the email and we can help anyone with this difficulty individually.

Our learner conferences will be taking place online through Zoom on December 1<sup>st</sup> and for some teachers the 2<sup>nd</sup> as well. You will be receiving a booking link through Sign-up Genius which will allow you to select the most convenient time for you and your family.

#### **Extended Break?**

If families are withdrawing their children for an extended holiday during the school year, they should inform their teacher and the school Admin Team. Staff will not provide daily homework assignments for students while they are on holiday, but teachers will suggest activities sych as daily readings, journaling or math games.

Please note that replicating educational experiences in the classroom is very difficult and worksheets are not common practice in our classrooms.



#### REMINDERS

- Learner Profiles go home November 29<sup>th</sup>
- Learner Conferences will be on December 1<sup>st</sup> from 3:30 – 6:30 pm
- Directory Contest due November 30<sup>th</sup>
- School Fees due November 30<sup>th</sup>
- December 10<sup>th</sup> PD Day
- December 17<sup>th</sup> Half day before break!

## Miss Wendy is Retiring!

To the MCS family,

We are about to see a milestone pass as we go for Christmas holidays and that will be the retirement of Mrs. Wendy Gregson, better known as Miss Wendy. Miss Wendy started her career with Foothills School Division as an EA at Dr. Morris Gibson in 2000 and then she came to work at MCS in the fall of 2005. She has been the face and heart of MCS since that time. She is the front of the frontline at the school, the person you meet and see and hear first. She is the person steering the ship and she has done a magnificent job of doing that since day one.

When we asked her for her favorite memories, she said, "I have so many wonderful memories of my time here, it's hard to choose. Some of my favorites are:

- The special thank-you notes from students and staff that decorated my office every year on Office Administrator's Day,
- Working on Gala, Round-up, Movie Nights and other fundraising initiatives,
- Amazing Christmas plays and concerts,
- Grade 8 Celebrations,
- Field Trips to Forget-Me-Not Pond,
- · Cheering on our basketball teams,
- Taking pictures and working on the yearbooks,
- Welcoming new families to the school,
- Our staff Christmas tradition of buying a child's gift for each other and then donating them."

When we asked Miss Wendy what she is going to do when she retires, she told us, "I'm planning to spend more of my free time with my four granddaughters, catching up on projects, quilting, family history and travelling in our RV. After Covid, I'd like to spend time volunteering at a senior's lodge or in an NICU unit at the hospital."

Miss Wendy asked that we also send this message to the community, "I just want to say thank-you to parents, students and staff for the many friendships I've made over the years and for the opportunity to be part of the Millarville family. I've loved every minute of it!"

From all of the Wildcats present and past, we send our very best wishes to Miss Wendy for a happy and healthy retirement. We are grateful for your service and contribution over the last 17 years. Your generous spirit and warm heart have helped everyone of us at one time or another and in so many ways we couldn't even write them all. We send you an enormous thank you for all you have done. We will miss you!

With love, the MCS Wildcats