



NEWS & REMINDERS: MORVEN

November 23, 2018

Message from the Head of Morven

Dear Morven Families,

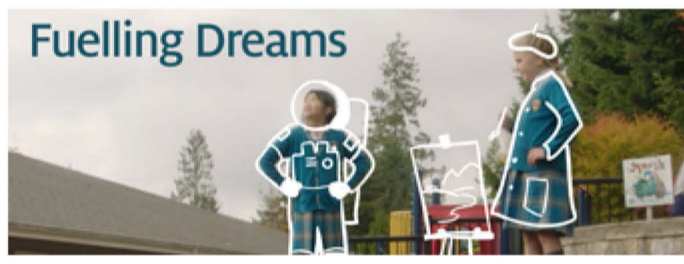
Whether it is this week's Diversity Week celebrations, The Visit stage production, return of our Yale University World Scholars Cup participants, Robotics Team competitive developments, or the near completion of our Grade 12 national and international university applications (did I mention the Senior Girls BC Field Hockey Championship?), we are proud and reminded that, "life is about the people you meet and the things you create with them." Congratulations and thank you to each Morven community member for lending a hand, heart and giving so willingly and expertly to create life enriching opportunities for our students.

Thank you again parents for ensuring your child's timely school arrival and attendance. A brief reminder: The Ministry of Education, requirements outline that in order to receive full credit for course work, a student must not miss more than 20 school days. The Ministry also requires the School to retain parents' written notification of each absence. The Ministry inspects School attendance records to ensure each absence is explained (then recorded as excused) and that individual student absentee records do not exceed 20 (excused) days. Thank you for your continued partnership to maximize your child's learning success and their safety.

Term 1 Report Cards will be posted: Friday, November 30

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Beverley von Zielonka
Head of Morven



#GivingTuesday | Tartan Fund

A huge thank you to all the students from different Collingwood strands who showed off their enthusiasm during Tartan Week. I hope everyone enjoyed the energy during drop off at both campuses. To close off the campaign launch, the celebrations will continue until November 27, 2018 – #GivingTuesday.

Collingwood School has participated in #GivingTuesday for two years now as part of the greater international giving movement that has been built around the world. Millions of people have come together to support and champion the causes they believe in. In 2012, the movement was born out of the response of heavy retail days– Black Friday and Cyber Monday. With #GivingTuesday, we now have a day for giving back.

Please check your mail and consider making your Tartan Fund donation for our annual fundraising campaign before or on #GivingTuesday.

Repost from our School's social media accounts and look out for the Tartan Fund 2018 video that will be emailed on #GivingTuesday.

Our goal is 100% parent participation, let's fuel students' dreams together and beat last year's #GivingTuesday day-of funds raised.

With gratitude,

Elain Evans
Executive Director, Advancement

Middle School Surf & Service Trip

June 19 - 23, 2019

Application Deadline:
8:00am, Wednesday, November 28, 2018.

Middle School students from grades 8-9 are invited to apply to attend the first annual Middle School Surf and Service Trip. The trip will take place in Tofino and the surrounding area on Vancouver Island. Visit [here](#) for more information and online application.

Well Done!

Congratulations are in order for our debate team who competed at the West Point Grey's Academy World Affair Debate Tournament and to our students who attended the World Scholar's Cup at Yale last weekend.

[Read More](#)

Round Square Regional Conference in Peru

April 2019

The Round Square Regional Leadership Conference is being hosted in Lima, Peru. This is a hands-on, service-oriented leadership conference where students will travel to Chincha and spend two days building homes with and for families in need, enjoy a day of adventure and then return to Lima for three conference days where students will focus on leadership, democracy and impacts of environment on the globe. Students will also participate in a post-conference tour. Students will also participate in the city of Cusco. Click [here](#) to get the online application and submit to Ms. Gold and Ms. Field.

Thank You, Morven, for your Participation in Diversity Days!

From the Privilege Walk during assembly and in mentor to the International Food Fair today at lunch, the students at Morven had many opportunities to celebrate our diverse community. As Dr. von Zielonka stated in her Friday message last week – "Diversity of thought perspective and culture is some of the ways we commit to support our students as they develop confidence in their own voices while respecting the voices of others."

Pink for Christmas

Saturday, November 24, 7:00pm
Kay Meek Arts Centre

A professional youth Christmas concert and silent auction to raise money for paediatric cancer through the Team Finn and Terry Fox foundations featuring our Collingwood chorus & musicians.

[Tickets](#)

Has your child participated in the Summer Institute at Collingwood School?

Please click [here](#) to help us improve our Summer Institute Programming for Summer 2019.

Resource Corner

This week in the Resource Corner, in celebration of Diversity Days, here is a link to [PFLAG](#).

PFLAG Canada is proud to be Canada's only national organization that offers peer-to-peer support striving to help all Canadians with matters of sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression.

Important Dates:

Reminder: AGM of the Collingwood School Society
Monday, Nov. 26
6:00pm
Karim Library Seminar Room, Morven Campus

Visit [here](#) to access 2018 AGM documents.

University Guidance Events

Next week we welcome the California Institute of the Arts, The Art Center College of Design and The New School.

Visit [here](#) for more information.

Tree Decorating

Saturday, Dec. 1,
11:00am

All families are invited to come to Dundarave Beach to help decorate the Collingwood Christmas tree with the beautiful art that our K to 3 students created at their Festive Craft Day. Our tree will be part of the Dundarave Festival of Lights display. Please visit [here](#) for more info.

Athletics

For all upcoming Athletics events view the [Athletics Calendar](#).

School Calendar

For all upcoming school events please visit [here](#).

Message from the Health Centre

From time to time there may be cases of head lice in the school. Head lice are a nuisance but not a health hazard.

[More Information](#)



Photo of the Week

During Diversity Week, Morven students and staff map out where they were born.

For more photos of all Collingwood School activities, follow us on [Facebook](#) & [Instagram](#)!

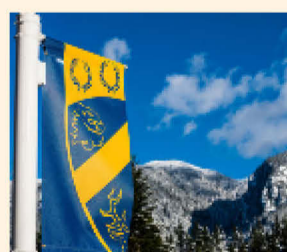
Community Fundraisers

Last chance to purchase a wreath or poinsettia and support Senior Round Square's service initiative for Ronald McDonald House.

Help our Grad Class of 2019 raise funds to build a well in Bidi Bidi, South Sudan by purchasing a scarf from the Obakki Foundation, Scarves for Water Collection.

Visit [here](#) for more information and links to order online.

For all upcoming service opportunities, initiatives and events, please visit [here](#).



Inclement Weather

In the event of snow and school closures, you will find information posted to the [homepage](#), [Students](#) and [Parents](#) pages of our website by 6:30 am.