



April 19/2026

Ey Swayel Prince Charles Families:

Each afternoon in the pick-up lane, I often share a light-hearted jokes with students about helping out at home and doing chores. While it's meant to bring a smile to their faces at the end of the day, it also opens the door to an important reminder about the value of age-appropriate responsibilities.

Simple chores, such as making their bed, setting the table, or tidying up toys, offers meaningful benefits for children. These small tasks help build independence, responsibility, and confidence. Completing chores also supports the development of important life skills, such as time management, perseverance, and contributing to a shared community. When children experience success with manageable tasks, it reinforces a sense of pride and accomplishment that carries over into their learning at school. In addition, research shows that children who are trusted with responsibility are more likely to demonstrate confidence and problem-solving skills as they grow.

This week, create a simple chore list together with your child(ren). Allow them to take ownership of their responsibilities and help ensure tasks are appropriate for their age and abilities. Starting small and being consistent can make a big difference.

Just a reminder that there is no school this Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, as it is a Professional Development Day for Staff.

Warm regards,

Mr. Paul Allanson  
Principal of Prince Charles Elementary School

Here are some things for you to know as we head into **Week #30** at **Prince Charles Elementary**:

- 1. Family Fun Night Planning Night:** We are pleased to invite families to a Family Fun Night Planning Meeting, which will take place on Tuesday, April 21st, in the Library, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

This meeting is an opportunity to collaborate, share ideas, and help plan a fun and successful event for our school community. All interested parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

- 2. Grade 5 Pop Up Concession Days:** We are excited to announce a Grade 5 Pop-Up Concession, taking place on Thursday, April 23rd, after school, located outside Mrs. Pretty's classroom.

A variety of snack items will be available for purchase, with prices ranging from \$1.00 to \$3.00. All proceeds from the concession will go directly toward supporting Grade 5 year-end events.

- 3. Grade 5 Basketball:**

#### **Practice Schedule:**

- **Tuesdays, 2:45–4:00 p.m.** – Boys (with Coach Abbott)
- **Wednesdays at Lunch** – Boys and Girls (with Coach Marley)
- **Thursdays, 2:45–4:00 p.m.** – Girls (with Coach Marley)

#### **Games:**

##### **Boys Schedule:**

- Wednesday April 22 **HOME GAME** Mountain vs. PC

##### **Girls Schedule:**

- Wednesday, April 29 **AWAY GAME** at Mountain Elementary

While we offer a lunchtime practice, we strongly encourage all student-athletes to attend the after-school practices whenever possible. After-school sessions allow for more in-depth instruction and practice time. Basketball involves many foundational skills, including dribbling, shooting, passing, communication, and basic positional play, and the additional time is essential for learning and growth.

- 4. PC Swag:** We're excited to offer Prince Charles Elementary swag for students and families! To order a Prince Charles Elementary hoodie, zip-up, or t-shirt, please click on the link below:

<https://sapphirecreative.com/product-category/apparel-program/prince-charles-elementary/>

Orders typically take about two weeks to arrive. Once your items are ready for pickup, Ms. Smith will contact families directly.

Show your Royal pride, we can't wait to see our community rocking their PC gear!

## 5. Upcoming Dates:

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Tuesday, April 21st	Family Fun Night Planning Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Friday, April 24th	Non-Instructional Day #5 (No School for students)
Tuesday, April 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ready Set Learn

**Information from the PAC:** Still making the drive to Chilliwack for your SinAmen fix? Same here... which is exactly why we're bringing them to YOU just in time for Mother's Day!

We're excited to offer:

6-packs of HUGE cinnamon buns in 6 flavours

Frozen take & bake buns

6-packs of donuts in crowd-favourite flavours

Pickup: May 8 (2:00–3:30 PM) — just in time for Mother's Day brunch

Order deadline: April 30 at midnight

[www.munchalunch.com/schools/princecharles](http://www.munchalunch.com/schools/princecharles)

**Next PAC Meeting is: Tuesday, May 12 @ 7:00 in the library.**

