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MESSAGE FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome Back!

September has been a busy and exciting month. The 2018-2019 school year is up and running and we thank all staff, students, and Hatzic community members for contributing to a successful startup. We have many excellent activities for students at Hatzic Middle to participate in including a variety of clubs and sports teams. We strongly encourage all students to be actively engaged in our school community and we truly believe this will enrich the experience of our students.

While we do issue a school newsletter, the use of the HMS app is very informative and is used to send out notifications on a regular basis. Our new school website is currently under construction and will soon be fully accessible. The address is: <https://www.mpsd.ca/school/hms>. The agenda app, which can be downloaded at iTunes and at Google Play, can be downloaded onto multiple devices, so parents and students can access the same information. We also have a Twitter account: @Hatzicmiddle with many photos showcasing the great experiences here at HMS.

First term ends on November 9th, so it is very important that students stay on task and up to date in their classes. Students requiring academic assistance should connect with their respective teachers to ensure success. Regular attendance is crucial to student success. If your child is absent, please notify the office and have them follow up with their instructor for any missed class work.

Many Hatzic Middle School students ride the school bus. It is important for students to remember they are only permitted to ride the bus they are assigned to. Student rosters are provided to bus drivers and if students are not on the roster of the bus they are attempting to ride, they are not permitted on. Also, students are expected to follow the school code of conduct while on the bus. Should a student not follow the expectations, parents will be contacted and a suspension from district transportation may occur.

We would like to thank our parents for following the parking guidelines of Hatzic Middle School and refraining from parking by the flagpole or driving in or out of the north side of the building to pick up and or drop off students. Both areas are reserved for emergency vehicles and or district staff.

Once again, thank you for your support and assisting with a wonderful startup to the 2018-2019 school year. We look forward to working with all students and parents throughout the year. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions or concerns.

All the best,

M. Gabriele

L. Vetter

R. Vos



SCHOOL YEAR AT A GLANCE

2018– 2019

- **September 4 - First Day of School (Half-day 11:36 AM Dismissal)**
- **September 13** - School Pictures
- **September 21** – District Pro-D Day - *School not in session*
- **October 5** – Curriculum Implementation Day- *School not in session*
- **October 8** - Thanksgiving Day- *School not in session*
- **October 19** - Professional Pro-D Day - *School not in session*
- **October 26** - School Picture Retakes
- **November 9** - 11:36 AM Dismissal (Half-Day Assessment)
- **November 12** – Stat in Lieu of Remembrance Day - *School not in session*
- **November 22** - Report Card P/U & Parent-Teacher Conferences (3:30pm-5:30pm/6pm-8pm)
- **November 23** - Non-Instructional Day - *School not in session*
- **December 22 - January 6**- Winter Break
- **January 7 - First Day Back After Winter Break**
- **February 01** – Semester Turn Around – *School not in session*
- **February 13** – Report Cards Given to Students
- **February 15** – District Pro-D Day - *School not in session*
- **February 18** - Family Day - *School not in session*
- **February 28** – Parent-Teacher Conferences (3:30pm-5:30pm/6pm-8pm)
- **March 01** - Non-Instructional Day - *School not in session*
- **March 18 - 29** - Spring Break
- **April 1** – **First Day Back After Spring Break**
- **April 18** –11:36 AM Dismissal (Half-Day Assessment)
- **April 19** –Good Friday – *School not in session*
- **April 22** –**Easter Monday** – *School not in session*
- **May 3** - Report Cards Given to Students
- **May 17** - District Pro-D Day - *School not in session*
- **May 20** - Victoria Day - *Students not in session*
- **June 27** - Final Day of Classes
- **June 28** - Report Card Pick up

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

September 30th has been declared Orange Shirt Day annually, in recognition of the harm the residential school system did to Indigenous children's sense of self-esteem and wellbeing, and as an affirmation of our commitment to ensure that everyone around us matters. This year on Friday September 28 Hatzic Middle School students and staff wore orange shirts and orange clothing to show our support and acknowledgement of 'Orange Shirt Day' and that 'Every Child Matters'. Our wonderful display of orange hands and words of encouragement covered the walls as you enter our school.



"The Hatzic Hula Hoop Club has started! If students want to get "hooped" on a fun and low-impact cardio activity, come drop in the weekly lesson and fun hooping session on Wednesdays at lunch in the Small Gym, or beside the track on sunny days, listen to the announcements to find out where we are. No membership required, just come by for some spinning fun! The Hatzic Hula Hoop Club is open to all grades and all genders. Please see Ms. Balakshin in Room 101, or by email at sheila.balakshin@mpsd.ca, for more details. "Hoop" to see you there!

COUNSELLOR'S CORNER

"There is no health without Mental Health"

Some helpful resources for parents and students:

- [Kids Help Phone at 1-800-668-6868](http://1-800-668-6868) provides kids and teens access to a professional counsellor by phone to discuss their issue or concern 24 hours a day.
- In Crisis? Call 1-800-SUICIDE (1-800-784-2433) to speak with crisis line workers anytime of the day or night.
- <http://youth.anxietybc.com/>
- "Mind shift" App from Anxiety BC - iTunes or Google play

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is your parent community at Hatzic Middle Secondary School. Our parent community will work closely with administration and staff to support, encourage, and provide assistance to enhance the quality of education and the well-being for all students at Hatzic.

Why Should you Become More Involved?

Parent involvement in education is widely recognized as a vital component to successful students and successful schools. Research shows that when parents are involved:

- Students achieve more. The more parent involvement, the better the student achievement.
- Students have higher grades and test scores, better attendance, and complete homework more consistently.
- Students exhibit more positive attitudes and behavior.
- Students have higher graduation rates and greater enrollment rates in post-secondary education.
- Negative student behavior, such as alcohol use, violence, anti-social behavior decreases.
- Students make better transitions to secondary school and are less likely to drop out.

Current Executive PAC members:

- Chair/President - Chris Bucholz
- Vice Chair - Dolly Lang
- Treasurer- Vacant
- Secretary - Barb Billesberger
- DPAC Rep - Vacant

Members-at-Large

- Cam Walker

Contact: hatzicmiddleschoolpac@gmail.com



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Future 4 Nations Aboriginal Headstart

Serving First Nations, Metis and Inuit Families since 1997

34110 Lougheed Hwy, Mission BC

Program Coordinator: Zelda Williams

Email: Zelda@f4n.ca



Class Information

Kindergarten Bound

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-12:10pm

This preschool class is only for children who will be starting kindergarten in September 2019 and who have either moved up from Play School or have joined us for preschool at this age. Register

**Register Today for our FREE
Aboriginal Preschool Program Spaces
Are Limited!**

Play School

Monday- Wednesday 1:10pm-3:30pm

This preschool class is for children who are starting preschool at the age of 2.5 or older and will not be going to kindergarten the following school year.

**Please Call 604-820-4567 or call &
Text 604-768-4992 and we can get
back to you!**

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Mission Library Events:

Culture days: 4th Annual Culture Crawl

Saturday, Sept 29, 2-4 pm

A visual feast of art, designs and crafts featured within the library setting, Culture Crawl offers visitors an unique chance to experience art and speak to artists who work with different mediums.

Ultimate Robot Challenge

Saturday, Sept 29, 2:30-4 pm

Can you steer a Sphero Spark+ successfully through a crazy obstacle course? Don't fall off the Bridge of Insanity or get stuck in the Tunnel of Doom! There will be prizes and snacks. Registration required. For ages 12 to 18.

Creative Ukulele Circle

Tuesdays, Oct 2-23, 7 pm – 8 pm

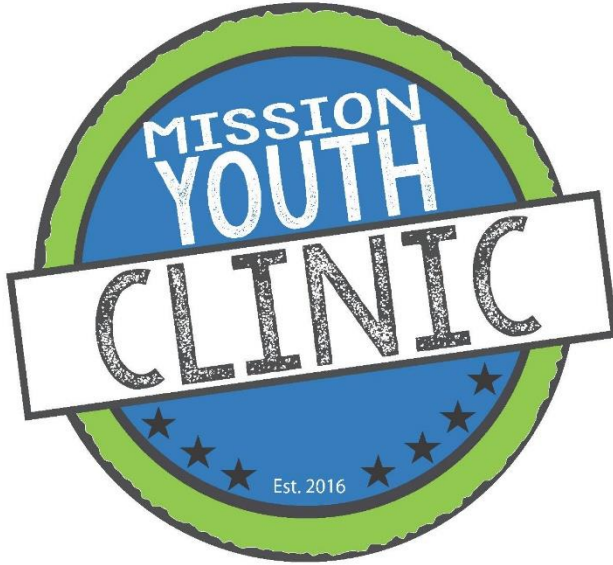
Join ukulele expert Don Olds as we make music together! We'll be learning new songs every week! Beginners welcome. Bring your own ukulele or have one provided. Registration required.

Frankentoys

Saturday, October 27, 2:30-4 pm

Put on your mad scientist costume, grab a pair of scissors, and prepare to create a horrifically creepy monstrosity from old toys. Registration required. For ages 12 to 18.

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- STI'S
- COUNSELLING
- SEXUAL HEALTH
- MENTAL HEALTH
- ANXIETY
- DEPRESSION



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HATZIC MIDDLE SCHOOL

Schedule	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
First Period	8:50 am 10:09 am	8:50 am 10:09 am	8:50 am 10:09 am	8:50 am 10:09 am	8:50 am 10:09 am
Nutrition Break (8 Minutes)	10:09 am 10:17 am	10:09 am 10:17 am	10:09 am 10:17 am	10:09 am 10:17 am	10:09 am 10:17 am
Second Period	10:17 am 11:36 am	10:17 am 11:36 am	10:17 am 11:36 am	10:17 am 11:36 am	10:17 am 11:36 am
Lunch (45 Minutes)	11:36 am 12:21 pm	11:36 am 12:21 pm	11:36 am 12:21 pm	11:36 am 12:21 pm	11:36 am 12:21 pm
Third Period	12:21 pm 1:40 pm	12:21 pm 1:40 pm	12:21 pm 1:40 pm	12:21 pm 1:40 pm	12:21 pm 1:40 pm
Transition (7 Minutes)	1:40 pm 1:47 pm	1:40 pm 1:47 pm	1:40 pm 1:47 pm	1:40 pm 1:47 pm	1:40 pm 1:47 pm
Fourth Period	1:47 pm 3:06 pm	1:47 pm 3:06 pm	1:47 pm 3:06 pm	1:47 pm 3:06 pm	1:47 pm 3:06 pm