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Home of the Blue Devil's

McKinnon Park

FEBRUARY 2026

A Message from Principal Malcolm

I am excited to share how wonderful it feels to be back at school. The energy that McKinnon Park brings is truly rejuvenating. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Mr. Wong for stepping into the role of Vice Principal during my absence and for supporting Ms. Potichnyj and all of our students. We will miss him, and we wish him the very best as he moves on to his next opportunity.

Semester One was eventful, with both EQAO Math and the OSSLT taking place, alongside numerous sports and extracurricular activities. If you are curious about your assessment results, please stop by Guidance—our team would be happy to assist you. As winter sports wrap up, we look forward to warmer weather and the start of our spring sports and activities.

We will also be cheering on Team Canada as they compete in the Winter Olympics. Students who wish to watch some of the events are welcome to visit the library, where we will be streaming coverage during lunchtime and at select times for special events.

Semester One report cards have been sent home via email. If you did not receive yours, please check your junk folder, and if you still cannot locate it, contact the school for support. Progress Reports for Semester Two will be emailed home on March 13, and Parent-Teacher Interviews are scheduled for March 26.

As always if you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.
Let's Go Blue Devils!!!!

McKinnon Park 2026 Graduates



Attention 2026 Graduates

Please scan the QR code and fill in the required information for your upcoming graduation!!

Mpss Drama Club

This year's Drama Club will be attending the National Theatre School Drama Festival at the end of March to perform Ian McWethy and Jason Pizzarello's "The Day the Internet Died"

NTS entries need to be less than 50 minutes in length, with portable sets and limited storage, and are largely student driven. Our Drama Club will be performing at the festival on Tuesday March 31st at 6:00pm at BCI. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

To prep and fundraise for the festival the drama club will be performing their show for Students' Council's Dinner Theatre fundraiser on Wednesday, March 4th, in the school cafetorium. Tickets are available through school cash online until February 24th. Dinner this year is provided by Tony's Greek Corner. Tickets are \$35 per person.

Please email any questions to tanya.lacey@granderie.ca.

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Student Fees 2025-2026

Fee must be paid to join sports teams, dances, prom, after school events, clubs, in school events, etc.

You will also receive your student ID



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Just a Reminder that all students need 40 Hours of community service to graduate. Forms can be picked up and submitted to the guidance office.

Upcoming Dates

Grad Photos ~ Feb 9-17

Family Day ~ Mon. Feb 16

Progress Reports Home ~ Mar. 13

March Break ~ Mar. 16-20

Parent/Teacher Interviews ~ Mar. 26

Grad Photo Retakes ~ Mar. 27

Easter ~ Fri. Apr. 3-6

Prom ~ Fri. Jun. 5

2026 Graduation ~ Thurs. Jun. 25



"Félicitations" to the grade 12 French students who completed the DELF exam during first semester (and good luck to those who will complete it in the Spring). DELF stands for "Diplôme d'études en langue française" and it certifies the French language proficiency of candidates. The DELF is recognized worldwide and is valid for life. Bravo!!!

Report Cards

Report Cards for Semester 1 were emailed home Monday February 9th. Please contact our office if you did not receive it.

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Course Selections 2026-27

February 18-27th students will be heading to the computer lab with their class to choose classes for the 2026-2027 school year. All choices must be completed and approved by a parent/guardian before February 27, 2026. See the helpful links below to 'Get Started':

[MPSS Course Descriptions 2026-27](#)

[MPSS Course Pathway Chart](#)

[myBlueprint Course Selection 'How to' Instructions](#)

[myBlueprint Course Selection 2025-26 PowerPoint](#)

Follow the link below to create your FAMILY ACCOUNT and view your student's interactive education and career/life planning resource

<https://emcs.web.sd62.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2018/11/MBP-Parent-Information-1.pdf>

2025-2026

Yearbooks
are now
on sale!

Available through Cash Online

Save the Date

MPSS PROM

JUNE 5, 2026

5:30 - 10:00 PM

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BY LAW, ANY STUDENT WHO IS 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER MUST GIVE CONSENT FOR ANY SCHOOL RELATED INFORMATION TO BE RELEASED TO PARENTS OR GUARDIANS. THERE IS A "RELEASE OF INFORMATION FORM" THAT MUST BE SIGNED AND IS AVAILABLE IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE AND ONLINE. WE ENCOURAGE PARENTS TO CONVINCED THEIR SONS/DAUGHTERS TO COMPLETE THIS FORM. IF THEY CHOOSE TO NOT FILL IT OUT, NO ONE IN THE SCHOOL CAN RELEASE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE STUDENT. THIS INCLUDES REPORT CARDS, ATTENDANCE, PICK UP/CONTACT INFORMATION, ETC. THE FORM CAN BE FOUND AT:

<https://granderie.ca/schools/mpss/student-services/release-information-over-18>

THE FORM MUST BE TURNED INTO GUIDANCE TO BE APPLICABLE

A Message from Students Council

This semester, MPSS' Students Council has big plans! February has included Valentine's Day activities, like the Send a Kiss fundraiser, and a photo-op in the cafeteria! Wednesday Feb. 18 there is a buy out to watch the Jr. Boy's Hockey team play. Tickets are available on School Cash Online, \$5. March 4 is Dinner Theatre, an event where McKinnon's drama club performs their unique one-act-play before taking it to the National Theatre School Competition! Tickets are currently available on School Cash Online. Dinner, catered by Tony's Corner, is included. Also in March is March Break Spirit Week, and the Homeroom Spirit Cup! Throughout the week, a variety of homeroom challenges will take place. Home rooms can earn points towards winning the cup and being crowned the most spirited homeroom! Our theme this year is Netflix; I'd recommend doing some binging to prepare! :) Please keep in mind our spring fundraiser is coming up. Students' Council relies on these fundraisers to fund sports teams' tournaments and travel, as well as run our events during the school year, include the Extra Curricular Awards Banquet in May. We would greatly appreciate your participation in the upcoming fundraisers! Stay tuned for more information.

From Annice A, Prime Minister & Hannah S, Deputy Prime Minister



March 23-April 20

All Students in grade 10, 11, & 12 who have not yet achieved their literacy credential will have the opportunity to write it on these days.

Online eLearning Credits + Opt out Option

Students are required to earn two online learning credits to graduate from secondary school, beginning with every student who entered Grade 9 in the 2024-25 school year.

The graduation requirement is intended to support students in developing familiarity and comfort with working and learning in a fully online environment, as well as developing digital literacy and other important transferable skills that will help prepare them for success after graduation and in all aspects of their lives.

Students enrolled and in need of support please see Mr. Jones, ethan.jones@granderie.ca

NOTE: Parents/guardians may choose to opt their child out of the mandatory online courses required for graduation. Students aged 18 years or older, or students who are 16 or 17 years of age and have withdrawn from parental control, can also opt out of the graduation require.

