



**THIS WEEK AT MADELINE SYMONDS Dec. 7 - Dec. 11, 2020**

\*Please read below the week's events for more school-related info😊


*This is: Week 2*

<p><b>MONDAY</b> December 7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Club – Each morning delivered to homerooms</li> </ul>
<p><b>TUESDAY</b> December 8</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Club – Each morning delivered to homerooms</li> </ul>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> December 9</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Club – Each morning delivered to homerooms</li> </ul>
<p><b>THURSDAY</b> December 10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Club – Each morning delivered to homerooms</li> </ul>
<p><b>FRIDAY</b> December 11</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Club – Each morning delivered to homerooms</li> </ul>

**Upcoming Dates**

**December 14 – 18 – Spirit Week**

**December 22 – Last day before Christmas Break**



**BE SAFE- BE PREPARED** ALL ART STUDENTS  
 Are required to bring a pencil to class, every class.

Over the past few weeks numerous classes are coming without supplies, and therefore borrowing or taking pencils from other students and my supply is gone.

If you are having difficulty supplying pencils, please contact me [chandlerl@hrce.ca](mailto:chandlerl@hrce.ca)

## From the Office

- Parents and guardians are reminded that the school does not open for students until 7:50am when supervision begins. Please do not drop off students any earlier than that. This will be particularly important when the weather becomes colder.
- Students are reminded to properly wear their mask to school on the bus and at school. It is a good idea to keep a second mask in your book bag.
- Parents, guardians and visitors who are coming to the school are reminded they must ring the door buzzer at the main entrance to the school. If you are picking up or dropping off a student, or dropping something off for them, this must be done through the main office. Please press the buzzer and someone will come assist you, but you are unable to enter the building. **This applies to all students, including those in our portables.**
- In an effort to ensure we have accurate and updated information for all our students, we ask that parents and guardians contact the main office if there are changes to home/cell phone numbers, home address, email address and health card expiry dates. Thank you in advance!
- Now that colder weather is upon us, please remind your child to dress appropriately for the weather. Unless temperatures are very cold, students will be expected to be outside during lunch.

## Beaver Math Challenge

- MSMS had 140 students from Grades 6 to 9 take part on the Beaver Math Challenge online which was put on by the University of Waterloo, in November. Students were asked a series of mathematical logic questions to answer. They ranged from simple logic questions to more challenging ones. It was very interesting to hear the students discuss these questions when they were done. If you are interested in seeing what types of questions these students were asked, you can check them out at <https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/bcc.html>

Students of MSMS did well with a number of students receiving “Certificates of Distinction”. These certificates represented the top 25% of their grade level at MSMS.

The following students were the top 3 students from each grade level.

Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9
Sophia McLeod Katie Taylor Maddie Decker	Charlotte Gash Jacob O'Connell Eric Roberts	Catherine Khaperska Sarah Bussey Jamie Dryden	Tristan Davies Brooke Patey Silas Fenez

Congratulations to Sophia McLeod who scored a perfect score on the Grade 6 Challenge.

Congratulations to all students who participated in this challenge!  
Stay tuned for other challenges in the New Year!

## MSMS Clubs

- **Space Club** (via google meet bi-weekly on Fridays after school) returns to MSMS! Students who are interested in participating can write to [spaceclubmsms@gmail.com](mailto:spaceclubmsms@gmail.com) or contact Mr. Hare at [share@hrce.ca](mailto:share@hrce.ca) for more information.
- **Art Club** Ms. Chandler is considering an online Art Club after school- for those who want to work together and exchange ideas. She will advertise the Google Code for Art Club next week :)

## From the Art Classroom

- If you would like to check out the Google Classroom for Art, please use the following codes.  
Grade 7:2bcqzct    Grade 8: iklhemp    Grade 9: opelrbs

Please check PowerSchool regularly

## From the Band Room

- If any families have band instruments that they no longer use or want, we would be very thankful if you would like to donate them to the school. We will happily find a new home for them.

## From the School Counselling Office

- The EECD Homework Hub is a valuable mathematics resource for students in grades 7 to 12. Students have access to live tutors on Sunday through Thursday, from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. These tutors are certified teachers, they tutor mathematics courses in both English and French. In addition to tutoring, students can access electronic textbooks, tutorial videos and practice problems. If you are interested, feel free to watch the following EECD video introduction to homework hub: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QnORoA5E7i4>.
- The following programs are available to assist families with social, emotional or behavioural supports. These programs are for youth aged 3-17.
  1. Strongest Families Program (<https://strongestfamilies.com/ourprograms/>) - Parents/guardians can access this through IWK Central Referral.
  2. Incredible Years - community based program, self-referral through doctor.
  3. Zones of Regulation Program – children learn how to self-regulate their emotions. Parents/guardians can access this through IWK Central Referral.
  4. Family SOS (<https://www.familysos.ca/programs>) – self-referral, see website.

IWK Central Referral is 902-464-4110

We are here to support your child, please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

School Counsellors - Judi Hutchison (grade 8 and 9) &  
Shannon Aikenhead-Bain (grade 6 and 7)