



NOVEMBER 27 – DECEMBER 1, 2023

Monday Nov 27	Tuesday Nov 28	Wednesday Nov 29	Thursday Nov 30	Friday Dec 1
Day 1	Day 2	Day 1	Day 2	Day 1
Basketball Home Opener and Pep Rally <i>Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib (Sikhism)</i>	Parent Teacher Conference Bookings Close (12:00pm)	Early Dismissal (12:50pm) Parent-Teacher Conferences (2-4pm)	Early Dismissal (12:50pm) Parent-Teacher Conferences (2-4pm & 6-8pm)	Dec 2 <i>International Day for the Abolition of Slavery</i>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Pep Rally (Nov 27)

Basketball season is starting up again and we want to get our students excited for our home opener! Please see below for the alternate schedule with the Pep Rally. All students are encouraged to wear their grade colours:

- 8 – Green 9 – Yellow 10 – Red
11 – Black 12 – Blue & Orange

Pep Rally Bell Schedule

8:30	9:30	Block A
9:35	10:35	Block B
10:35	10:50	Nutrition Break
10:55	11:55	Block C
11:55	1:05	Pep Rally
1:05	1:50	Lunch
1:55	3:00	Block D

Parent Teacher Conferences (Nov 29-30)

All parents are encouraged to sign up for Parent-Teacher conferences. This is an excellent opportunity to check in with your child’s teachers to discuss their successes, create plans for supporting learning, and ask any questions that you may have. Appointments can be booked online by visiting:

mcnair.schoolappointments.com

Please note that all bookings must be made prior to Tuesday, November 28 at 12:00pm (noon). Should you have any difficulty signing up for appointments, please contact the school office.

P-T Conference Bell Schedule

8:30	9:25	Block A
9:30	10:25	Block B
10:25	10:50	Nutrition Break
10:55	11:50	Block C
11:55	12:50	Block D
2:00	4:00	Afternoon Conferences (Wed & Thurs)
6:00	8:00	Evening Conferences (Thurs Only)

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Dec 3 *International Day of Persons with Disabilities*
- Dec 6 *Collaboration Day*
National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- Dec 7 *Winter Concert*
Hannukah (Judaism – Dec 7-15)
- Dec 8 *Bodhi Day (Buddhism)*
- Dec 9 *International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime*
- Dec 10 *Human Rights Day*
- Dec 21 *Winter Solstice (Northern Hemisphere)*
- Dec 22 *Last Day of Classes before Break*
- Dec 24 *Christmas Eve (Christianity)*
Quviasukvik Begins (Inuit, until Jan 7)
- Dec 25 *Christmas Day (Christianity)*
- Dec 26 *Boxing Day*
Kwanzaa Begins (until Jan 1)
- Jan 1 *New Year’s Day*
Tamil Heritage Month
Ochetookeskaw - Kissing Hand - Hand Shaking Day (Metis)
- Jan 8 *First Day of Classes after Winter Break*

Grad Council Bottle Drive

McNair’s grade 12 students will be running a bottle drive over the coming weeks. Please see the next page for more information.

Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib (Sikhism-Nov 27)

A Sikh holiday that celebrates with a procession of songs and hymns.

International Day for the Abolition of Slavery (Dec 2)

This day marks the day that the UN General Assembly adopted the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. The focus of this day is on eradicating contemporary forms of slavery, such as trafficking in persons, sexual exploitation, the worst forms of child labour, forced marriage, and the forced recruitment of children for use in armed conflict.

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Dear parents,

McNair's grad council will be running a bottle drive starting November 12th, and ending December 10th. The purpose of this fundraiser is to raise money for the grade twelve legacy gift that they will leave behind for present and future students.

The grade twelve students will be offering either a pick up or drop off option to those who are interested in donating their bottles and cans.

Donors will be able to drop the bottles off outside at the front of the school in the box marked Grad Council Bottle Drive on Fridays between 8 AM - 9 AM or 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM.

If you are interested in having bottles and cans picked up from your home, please use the link below to fill out the form which includes your name, address, email, and pick up date that will work for you.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFtR7mu8FCZxHP394a1jj4kaBn8bkWODvTy_uTJBbkikT1ew/viewform

We appreciate your help in supporting the 50th graduating class of McNair in their journey to providing a legacy gift!

Thank You!

McNair's Grad Council

Sponsor Teachers: N. Iversen, J. Dur, and S. Fraser