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A large, colorful circular collage of many hands, each with a unique message or drawing. The hands are arranged in a circle, with a central gold circle containing the text "Every Child Matters". The hands are drawn in various colors and styles, and many have handwritten messages or drawings on them. The messages include "I matter because I am a child", "I matter because I am a girl", "I matter because I am a boy", "I matter because I am a person", "I matter because I am a human", "I matter because I am a child of God", "I matter because I am a child of the world", "I matter because I am a child of the future", "I matter because I am a child of the present", "I matter because I am a child of the past", "I matter because I am a child of the earth", "I matter because I am a child of the sky", "I matter because I am a child of the sun", "I matter because I am a child of the moon", "I matter because I am a child of the stars", "I matter because I am a child of the rain", "I matter because I am a child of the wind", "I matter because I am a child of the fire", "I matter because I am a child of the water", "I matter because I am a child of the earth and sky", "I matter because I am a child of the sun and moon", "I matter because I am a child of the stars and rain", "I matter because I am a child of the wind and fire", "I matter because I am a child of the water and earth", "I matter because I am a child of the earth, sky, sun, moon, stars, rain, wind, fire, and water". The hands are arranged in a circle, with a central gold circle containing the text "Every Child Matters". The hands are drawn in various colors and styles, and many have handwritten messages or drawings on them. The messages include "I matter because I am a child", "I matter because I am a girl", "I matter because I am a boy", "I matter because I am a person", "I matter because I am a human", "I matter because I am a child of God", "I matter because I am a child of the world", "I matter because I am a child of the future", "I matter because I am a child of the present", "I matter because I am a child of the past", "I matter because I am a child of the earth", "I matter because I am a child of the sky", "I matter because I am a child of the sun", "I matter because I am a child of the moon", "I matter because I am a child of the stars", "I matter because I am a child of the rain", "I matter because I am a child of the wind", "I matter because I am a child of the fire", "I matter because I am a child of the water", "I matter because I am a child of the earth and sky", "I matter because I am a child of the sun and moon", "I matter because I am a child of the stars and rain", "I matter because I am a child of the wind and fire", "I matter because I am a child of the water and earth", "I matter because I am a child of the earth, sky, sun, moon, stars, rain, wind, fire, and water".



Marion Bridge Families:

### **NOTICES AND REMINDERS**

- **Marion Bridge School SAC (School Advisory Council) - Monday, October 5 at 6:00** - as per our school's SAC bylaws, members can sit as members of our Advisory Council for a term of three years. At this time, this means that we have three (2) vacant positions on our SAC. We are seeking a **community member** and an internal school member (CUPE). \*\*\* If you know someone from the community who may be interested, please contact the school (902-727-2980 or

Marion Bridge )\*\*\*

**Community member** - a person from the Marion Bridge School community who is not a parent or grandparent of a student.

Our SAC meets 4-5 times a year at the school. Our first meeting has been **rescheduled** for **Monday, October 5 at 6:00** at the school.

For more information on the role of the SAC, please see this link:

<chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcgiclfindmkaj/https://www.ednet.ns.ca/docs/sachandbook.pdf>

- **Dress for the weather** - the seasons are changing. We are having cool mornings that warm up as the sun rises higher in the sky. Students should be dressed in layers - a sweater or jacket for the morning that they can take off as the day warms up. Single digit temperatures mean that some of our students are cold first thing in the morning.

\*\*\*Please do not send several different outfits for the day..\*\*\* Layering will do the job. Young students should have a change of clothes for an emergency. Students need to be making use of their learning time in the classroom. Frequent trips to the washroom to change are distracting from important learning. You can refer to the school behavior matrix that was shared with you for an understanding of expected behavior in the washroom.

- **School Lunch Program - Reminder** - some new menu choices have been added to the School Lunch Program this year. While families are trying out the new options, we encourage you to be aware that your child may not like the food offered on that day and may need extra food packed in their bag. I am sending information that was distributed last year from the department of education (EECD):

*Please note that the School Lunch Program menu is the **only** menu offered by the school during lunch period. **No additional food items are served** during this period. We encourage you to engage with your child about their experiences and*



*favorite meals, and to involve them in meal selection each cycle. Families are also welcome to continue to pack food from home if they choose.*

- **Elementary School Soccer League** - students in grades 3-4-5 will be participating in the elementary school soccer league this season. Students must have returned completed and signed consent to be able to play or practice. All games will be played on the pitch at CBU. See the schedule below:
  - Thursday, October 2 @ 4:30
  - Tuesday, October 7 @ 3:30
  - Tuesday, October 14 @ 3:30
  - Thursday, October 16 @ 3:30
  - Tuesday, October 21 @ 4:30
- **School Picture Day** - the photographer from LifeTouch will be at the school on Wednesday, October 8 starting at bell time (8:45) to take student photos.
- **Marion Bridge TLC Fall Fair** - Saturday, October 18 from 1:00-2:30 on the Marion Bridge School grounds.  
 [Fall Festival Flyer.pdf.pdf](#)
- **Small Ball** - once again this year, we are pleased to have volunteers to provide a small ball program for students in grades primary, one and two. Students must have completed/signed consent forms to participate. Small ball will be held on Monday evenings from 5:45-6:45 at the Rec Hall starting on October 20 until November 24.

#### **Dates of Interest:**

- Monday, September 29 - Professional Learning - no school for students
- Tuesday, September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Wednesday, October 1 - Treaty Day
- Wednesday, October 8 - School Picture Day
- Saturday, October 18 - TLC Fall Fair
- Monday, October 20 - first night for Small Ball 5:45-6:45
- Friday, October 24 - no school for students - Provincial Conference Day
- Friday, October 31 - "Orange and Black Day"

