



 **MONTAGUE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL**

 **Parent Newsletter | October 2026**

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 **Administrative Team**

**Shelly King-Compton – Principal Betty MacDonald – Vice Principal Lauren Campbell
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Dates to Remember:

Oct 8th – Cross Country Zone Meet @ SKC

Oct 12th – Thanksgiving No School

Oct 17th – Cross Country Provincials @ Mill River

Oct 28th – Picture Retake Day

Oct 29th – Halloween Dance 6:30 – 7:30

**Oct 30th – Halloween Spooktacular Dress Up Day NO Masks, No Scary
Costumes, No Fake Weapons**

4th Annual Pumpkin Character Competition!

We are so excited to host our **4th Annual School-Wide Pumpkin Character Competition!**

Classes will be working together to read various books and decorate a homeroom pumpkin to represent a chosen character. We can't wait to see all the creative designs around the school!

A Huge Thank You: We extend a massive thank you to the **MacDonald family** for generously donating all the pumpkins for our classes to use this year



Library News & Book Care

October is Canadian Library Month!

Keep an eye on special events and programming opportunities happening at our local library throughout the month. You can check out the schedule here:



[Montague Public Library Calendar](#)

Book Care Reminders

Please help us take special care of our school library books:

- Students have been taught proper book care techniques in class.
- Please remind your child to **keep library books in their backpack** when not in use.
- This helps ensure books are safe, returned on time, and ready for exchange on their designated library day. Thank you for your support! 😊



Picture Retakes

- **Date:** October 28th

Important Steps for Retakes:

1. You **must sign up online** in advance for picture retakes.
2. Please inform your child's homeroom teacher ahead of time if they will be having retakes done.



Athletics & Gym Updates

Cross Country

- **Oct 8:** Zone Cross Country Meet at SKC
- **Oct 17:** Provincial Cross Country Meet at Mill River

Competitive Gymnastics (Grades 3–6)

Competitive gymnastics is starting early this school year! The Zone Meet will take place at the **end of November**. Please remind your student to listen carefully to morning announcements for details on when lunchtime and after-school practices begin.

Lost & Found Reminder

We have a large amount of sweaters being left behind in the gymnasium. Please write your child's name on their clothing labels so we can return misplaced items to their proper owners!

Halloween Dance



**MONTAGUE CONSOLIDATED
HOME AND SCHOOL
ANNUAL**

HALLOWEEN *Dance*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
6:30pm - 7:30pm

 ADMISSION IS BY DONATION (Cash only)	 CANTEEN SNACKS AND DRINKS ON SITE (Cash only)	 MUSIC PROVIDED BY ANDREW CROSS		
 THIS IS FOR ALL GRADES.	 NO SCARY COSTUMES OR WEAPONS ARE ALLOWED.	 COSTUMES ARE ENCOURAGED BUT NOT NECESSARY (ADULTS TOO!)	 PLEASE ONLY ONE PARENT PER CHILD AS SPACE IS LIMITED.	 THIS IS NOT A DROP OFF EVENT, PARENTS MUST SUPERVISE THEIR CHILDREN.

**THIS EVENT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS IN THE PAST
AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
ALL THE COOL COSTUMES!**

PBIS

4 TO 1 IMPACT

FOSTERING POSITIVE CONNECTIONS

WHAT IS IT

For every growth feedback, aim for 4 positive interactions to create a supportive environment

4 TO 1 IN PRACTICE

Examples of **Positive interactions**:
praising effort, celebrating progress, or encouraging ideas

Examples of **Growth Feedback**:
gentle redirection, re-teaching
expectations to reinforce each student's potential

WHY IT WORKS (THE SCIENCE)

Research in positive behaviour supports shows a 4 to 1 ratio increases engagement, cooperation and learning outcomes.

HOW IT SUPPORTS ALL STUDENTS

A 4 to 1 balance shifts focus towards strengths, reinforcing positive behaviours and nurturing a growth mindset (the belief that skills grow with effort). This is particularly important for our neurodivergent learners.

PRACTICAL TIPS 4 HOME

- Praise efforts at home
- Notice small successes
- Balance growth feedback with positive interactions daily.

FURTHER LEARNING: [PBIS 4 TO 1 RATIO SNAPSHOT](#)