



# Massey Minute

September 2025

## Inform

### Making Connections... Through TEAMS

It is challenging to get information to students in a timely manner. We make daily announcements for events and also post them on Power School. Another source of communication is the Vincent Massey website and Instagram. More sensitive and detailed topics can be found in your student's grade group TEAMS. You will find channels there dedicated to Mental Health, Job and Volunteer Opportunities, Career and Post-Secondary information, Events, and more. Students can set notifications so they don't miss anything. Have your student log in and show you around TEAMS.



September

**Sept. 9 - Picture Day**

**Sept. 18 - Teen Clinic**

**Sept. 25 - MPPC University/College Tour**

**Sept. 25 - Meet the Teacher Night**

**Sept. 26 - Student Recognition Awards**

**Sept. 29 - PD Day - No Classes**

**Sept. 30 - Truth and Reconciliation Day -  
No Classes**

## Celebrate

### Meet The Teacher Night

On Thursday, September 25th from 5:00-7:00pm, Vincent Massey will be hosting our Meet the Teacher Night. It is a chance to take a tour of the school, explore classes we offer, meet teachers, and enjoy a BBQ. We hope to see you all there!!

### University & College Fair

The Career Centre will be hosting the MPPC Tour. We will have multiple different Universities and Colleges on Sept. 25th for students to engage with and gain useful information regarding post-secondary education. Booths will be set up in the main foyer and discussions will be held with small groups during the afternoon. There will also be school specific presentations that students can sign up for for a deeper dive into what programs are offered.

### New Staff On Board

VM sends a warm welcome to all of our new staff this year! We are so lucky to have you join us!!

- Mr. Stephens
- Mr. Wedgewood
- Ms. Lambert
- Mr. Mymko
- Ms. Scramstad
- Mr. Onischuk
- Ms. McIntyre
- Mr. Patsack

## Inspire

### VM Students learn the importance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

On September 30, schools across Canada observe the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to honor the children who were sent to residential schools, the survivors, and their families. It's a day to learn about the history and lasting impacts of the residential school system, and to reflect on how we can support reconciliation with Indigenous communities.

This day is also known as Orange Shirt Day, inspired by the story of Phyllis Webstad, a residential school survivor whose orange shirt was taken from her on her first day of school. The orange shirt has become a symbol of the loss of culture and identity experienced by Indigenous children.

At school, we wear orange to show that Every Child Matters. We take time to listen, learn, and think about how we can build a more respectful and inclusive future for everyone.





## The Canteen is now OPEN!!

The cafeteria is back in action! Have a look at the sandwich board in the main foyer for daily tasty treats, and don't forget to creep on the VM Instagram page for some drool-worthy specials!

## Take Our Kids To Work Day

November 5th is TOKTW Day. It is a rewarding and educational experience for grade 9 students, parents, and employees. Safety training for students will take place Oct. 22nd in their classes. More information will be available next month!!

## Major Production

Are you interested in helping with this year's musical production, Once Upon A One More Time, but aren't willing to show off your singing skills on stage? Join the Publicity and Front of House crew! Our job is to raise money for the production out in our community and to sell snacks, roses, and raffle tickets at the shows. If you are confident, eager, responsible, and creative, then see Mrs. Metruk room (48) for more info. Volunteering 10+ hours with this crew earns you a Student Recognition Award.

## Purple Up

We have an active student council this year!! Follow them on Instagram to keep up with VM events @masseystudentcouncil. The first Friday of each month is Vikings Day. **Wear Purple!!!!**



### Ingredients:

- Nonstick cooking spray
- 3 Tablespoons butter
- 1/4 cup pumpkin puree
- 1 10 oz. bag mini marshmallows
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 6 cups rice krispie cereal
- 1/2 cup white chocolate chips, melted, optional

### Instructions

- Butter a 9x9 inch pan.
- Spread pumpkin on a stack of paper towels and let it sit for about 5-10 to draw out moisture.
- In a large saucepan melt butter over medium heat stirring often.
- Add pumpkin and continue heating and stir until well mixed.
- Add in marshmallows and vanilla and continue stirring frequently until marshmallows are melted.
- Stir in pumpkin pie spice
- Remove from heat and fold in rice krispies
- Evenly press mixture into prepared pan and allow to cool.
- Melt chocolate chips
- Place in a piping bag and gently drizzle across Rice Krispies treats.
- Allow to cool and cut into squares.

## School Clubs

### Karaoke Klub

Calling all shower singers! Get ready to rock and roll starting September 12th at high noon in Room 13. Whether you're a newbie or a seasoned pro, Mr. Bebbington is your go-to guru for all the deets. Let the musical madness begin!

### Volleyball Tryouts

Tryouts have started! Check the Massey website for dates and more details.

### Youth in Philanthropy

Come join the VM YIP group!! See Ms. Zelmer for more info.

### Book Club

Enjoy reading new books? Come meet new people, learn new perspectives, and have some fun. See Ms. Bradley in the Library or Mrs. Redekop in room 22.

### Girls 7s Rugby Team

Interested in playing Rugby? We would love for you to join our team!! See Ms. Pitcairn in the theatre for more information.

### Golf Tryouts

Tryouts will be held September 10th and 11th at Wheat City Golf Course. See Mr. Jones for more info.

### Hockey Tryouts

Scan the QR code on the posters around the school to register. See Mr. Stephens or Mr. Sitko if you have any questions.

### Hike Club

Enjoy exploring the great outdoors? Join them at their first meeting on Tues, Sept. 16th at lunch in Room 49. All ability and experience levels are welcome!

## BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

