



NICOLA-SIMILKAMEEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Good morning:

We are wanting to update the MSS community that this morning we were informed of a gas leak outside of the MSS building. The decision was made to move all staff and students from MSS to Merritt Central in order to ensure everyone's well-being while this situation was being assessed and repaired. Students and staff are to be commended for the manner in which they handled this unexpected event, and we would also like to express our gratitude to Merritt Central Elementary, FORTIS and the Merritt Fire Department for their support.

Students were sent home for the day, and anyone needing to remain at school is of course being looked after and supported until the end of the school day. You can expect to get updates from MSS directly about the rest of the day for students still at school as well as information for how students can pick up belongings that were left in school, as the repair has been completed a short time ago.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to MSS directly if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.