



McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG): December 4th – December 8th



Happy December everyone! Our staff and students have been working hard this term, and with only three weeks to go before our Winter Break, we still have lots to do!

Congratulations to our grade 6 & 7s who played in the Richmond Secondary School Colts Tournament this week! Our students represented McKay well, with their effort, dedication, and teamwork throughout the season and at the tournament. Thank you to Ms. Wai, Mr. Ledesma, Mr. Quan, and Mrs. Gomez for coaching them and supporting their growth in volleyball this season!

Highlights For Next Week Include:

Monday Dec 4 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BC Agriculture in the Classroom Fruit n Veggie program- Apple delivery this week
Tuesday Dec 5 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City of Richmond Art Truck after school program in the gym for registered students gr 4-7 PAC Meeting 7:15pm on Zoom Meeting ID: 637 1158 8893
Wednesday Dec 6 th	
Thursday Dec 7 th	
Friday Dec 8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order deadline for next Friday's (Dec 15th) Sushi Lovers Lunch 11:59pm on Munchalunch

VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER FROM THE OFFICE.....

If your child will be absent or late for school please inform the office directly by calling the early warning line as soon as possible at 604.668.6572.

Upcoming Important Dates and Special Events:

Thur Dec 14	LFI (Late French Immersion) presentation for Gr 5 Students
Fri Dec 15	PAC Sushi Lovers lunch
Tues Dec 19	Winter Concert afternoon and evening, info to come
Wed Dec 20	Winter Wonderland Skating
Thurs Dec 21	Written Learning Updates go home (Report Cards)
Fri Dec 22	Last day of school before Winter Break
Mon Jan 8	First day of school after Winter Break
Fri Jan 26	Professional Development Day No school in session
Fri Feb 16	Professional Development Day No school in session
Mon Feb 19	Family Day Holiday No school in session
Feb 28	Informal Learning Update (conferences) Early dismissal at 1:45pm
Feb 29	Informal Learning Update (conferences) Early dismissal at 1:45pm



Significant Dates in our Community

December 2nd: International Day for Abolition of Slavery

December 3rd: International Day of Persons with Disabilities

December 7-15th: Hannukah

December 8th: Bodhi Day



NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE & ACTION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

DECEMBER 6TH



School Flag Half-masting Notice

Following the flag protocol of the government of BC, please be advised that all Richmond school and district sites will fly the Canadian and BC flags at half-mast from sunrise to sunset on Wednesday December 6, 2023, to recognize the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence against Women.

Information Items for Families:

1. Please check the Lost and Found

The clothing rack near the Main Office is FULL of lovely items of clothing that belong to your children! We encourage our students to check for their lost items, but we still have so many jackets and clothes that have been picked up from around our school and school grounds. Please check to see if your child's clothes are there. This is also a good reminder to clearly label your child's items so that we can help get lost items back to them.

2. Opt-In to School Messenger

The Richmond School District is implementing a new communication tool that will enable both the district and your child's school to send you text messages. This is being implemented to improve the ability to deliver time-sensitive information to you, including emergency notifications.

Given the significance of this communication tool, we strongly encourage you to opt-in for this service.

You can choose to opt-in by texting 978338 with a Yes. Please complete this action before November 30, 2023.

To opt-in, please send a text message with a Y or YES to 978338



Once you have opted in, you should receive a confirmation text message from School Messenger. School Messenger is fully compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge, ensuring the safety and confidentiality of your information. Your data will never be shared or sold to any third party.

Thank you for staying connected with us through this new communication tool.

Active Recreation & Sport Fund

Funding for Richmond children and youth (18 and younger) to participate in active recreation programs and sports where financial barriers impact inclusion

Application forms and more info:
<http://www.richmondsportscouncil.com/>

Email us for help:
recreationsportfund.rsc@gmail.com



Dress for the weather!

Students will go outside for recess and lunchtime play in all weather. Rain gear, layers, and extra clothing are helpful to stay comfortable!



Rain gear



Boots



Extra clothes

Richmond School District

Kindergarten Registration

November–January

  | [sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten](https://www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten)

RICHMOND
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

The Richmond School District 38 is excited to welcome **Kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2019, turning 5 in 2024**. These children will begin Kindergarten in September 2024. Online registration opens on November 1, 2023. Please visit our website www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten for more information about our online registration process, required documents, important dates, and FAQs.

We encourage families to complete their registration within the Priority 1 registration window, which spans from **November to January**, in order to maximize their chances of securing a spot at their catchment school. All registration applications received any time during the Priority 1 registration period will receive placement decisions by February 2, 2024.

Videos detailing Kindergarten registration have been made available on our District website, providing new parents with guidance on the registration process, English Language Learner (ELL) assessments, and District Program Options (Early French Immersion and Montessori). These videos are available in English and Mandarin. Please view the videos at www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten.

Finally, there will be a **Kindergarten Information Evening for parents of students with disabilities and diverse abilities** on Zoom held on November 8th from 6:30 – 7:30pm. A link to the Zoom is available on our District website www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten.

Thank you and please share this information with your friends and family who have Kindergarten aged children!



RECENTLY, THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED A NEW FEEDING FUTURES SCHOOL PROGRAM FUND, DESIGNED TO ASSIST SCHOOLS IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT OF SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS AND OTHER NUTRITIONAL SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST SUPPORT FOR YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL, PLEASE REACH OUT TO MS. LIVINGSTON (MLIVINGSTON@SD38.BC.CA). WE ARE GATHERING INFORMATION AND LOOKING TO PROVIDE ONGOING SUPPORT WHEREVER POSSIBLE. IMPLEMENTATION PLANS ARE UNDERWAY, AND WE WANT TO ENSURE FAMILIES ARE AWARE, AND AS ALWAYS, ABLE TO REACH OUT IF THEY REQUIRE SUPPORT. ALL REQUESTS WILL BE TREATED WITH DIGNITY AND YOUR PRIVACY WILL BE RESPECTED.

WE WANT TO WORK WITH FAMILIES TO ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILDREN HAVE EVERYTHING THEY NEED IN ORDER TO BE SUCCESSFUL AT SCHOOL. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO REACH OUT IF WE CAN HELP.