



## McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG): May 11<sup>th</sup> - May 15<sup>th</sup>

Hello McKay Families!

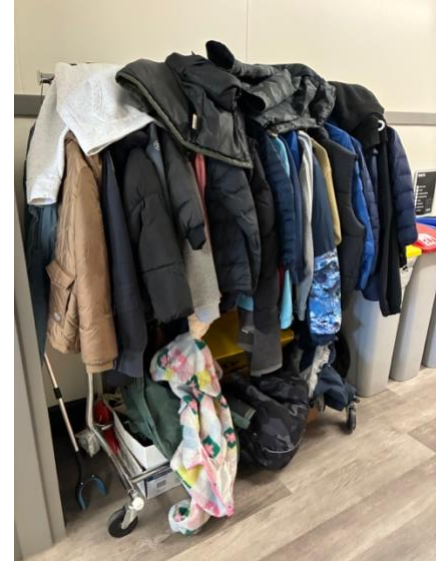
We had a great week with several special events! It was fantastic to see so many of our students participating at the District Zone Track Meet in many different events. The day went smoothly, and our McKay Mustangs represented us well with great participation, sportsmanship, and effort. Thank you to the parents who volunteered to get the Universal Hot Lunch orders to the track for students!

Thank you again to our PAC for sponsoring our whole school to go to the Gateway Theatre for the Tzinquaw dance performance. It was a special learning experience celebrating Indigenous culture, and fun to be in a real performance theatre!

As our weather warms up, it is great to see families and students playing in the McKay school park, but parents please remind your children that it is not okay to climb on top of the storage container. It is a serious safety concern! Also- please have a look at our lost and found... it is overflowing with jackets!!!

Have a great weekend,

Ms. Livingston



### *Highlights For Next Week Include:*

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| <b>Monday</b><br><b>May 11<sup>th</sup></b>    |                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br><b>May 12<sup>th</sup></b>   |                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br><b>May 13<sup>th</sup></b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Welcome to Kindergarten (new Sept 2026 kindergarten students)</b></li></ul>                             |
| <b>Thursday</b><br><b>May 14<sup>th</sup></b>  |                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Friday</b><br><b>May 15<sup>th</sup></b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Indigenous-Focused Professional Learning Day for staff- No School in Session for students</b></li></ul> |

## 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:

|       |         |                                                                     |
|-------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wed   | May 27  | Spring Band Concert                                                 |
| Fri   | May 29  | Burnett Gr 7 Transition                                             |
| Fri   | June 5  | Sports Day <b>Early dismissal @ 1:30pm</b>                          |
| Wed   | June 10 | Hoop Dance and Powwow                                               |
| Thurs | June 11 | Hoop Dance and Powwow                                               |
| Wed   | June 17 | Beach Day Field Trip (Whole School)                                 |
| Tues  | June 23 | Grade 7 Farewell                                                    |
| Thurs | June 25 | Last Day for Students and Term 3 Written Learning Updates Published |

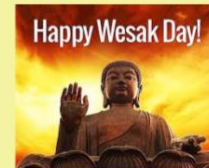
### Significant Dates in our Community

May is Asian and Jewish Heritage Month

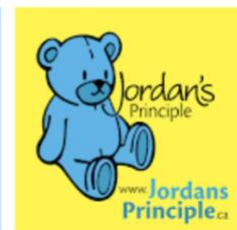
May is Speech & Hearing Month



**Mother's Day: May 10**  
**Bear Witness Day: May 10**  
**Wesak/Buddha Day: May 12**



Mother's Day in Canada falls on the second Sunday in May. This annual observance is to honour mothers, motherhood, and maternal figures.



**Bear Witness Day**  
**May 10**



Bear Witness Day, observed annually on May 10th, is a day dedicated to remembering Jordan River Anderson and his legacy, which led to the creation of Jordan's Principle. It's a day to "bear witness" to the principle, ensuring that First Nations children receive the services and supports they need, when they need them. This involves honoring the memory of Jordan River Anderson, a young boy from Norway House Cree Nation who was denied the chance to live with his family due to bureaucratic failures, and to advocate for the full implementation of Jordan's Principle.



Vesak, also known as Buddha Day or Buddha Purnima, is a significant Buddhist holiday celebrated annually on the first full moon of May. It commemorates the birth, enlightenment, and death of Buddha. Buddhists gather in temples to pray, chant, meditate, and offer flowers, incense, candles, and food as tributes to Buddha.

# 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!



Hats

Sunscreen (applied at home!)



rain gear



Extra clothes  
/layers



## McKay Hot Lunch Days Apr - Jun 2026

| Order Deadline        | Food Vendor                 | Food Date  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| Fri Apr 3 at 11:59pm  | Fresh Slice Pizza           | Fri Apr 10 |
| Fri Apr 17 at 11:59pm | Asian Menu by<br>Bala Foods | Fri Apr 24 |
| Fri May 15 at 11:59pm | Triple O                    | Fri May 22 |
| Fri May 29 at 11:59pm | Fresh Slice Pizza           | Fri Jun 5  |



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*Interested in helping with hot lunch days? Sign-up by clicking the "Volunteer" tab in MunchaLunch.  
Have questions? Please send an email to [mckayelementarypac@gmail.com](mailto:mckayelementarypac@gmail.com)*



## Active Start & FUNDamentals Try-It Day!

**Special Olympics BC – Richmond** is offering fun and welcoming Active Start (ages 2 to 6) and FUNDamentals (ages 7 to 11) programs for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities!

**Not sure if this is the right fit for your kid?** Come give our programs a try for free before you sign up! The afternoon will include skills, games, and fun! Families can come meet the coaches and volunteers, try some activities, and connect with other families in their community.

**Date:** Saturday, May 23, 2026

**Time:** FUNDamentals: 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. | Active Start: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m

**Location:** Blundell Elementary School, Richmond, BC

These programs are specifically designed for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities to help them learn vital motor, sport, and social skills in a supportive environment.

**It's an open house. No pre-registration required, just drop in!**

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