



McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG): November 25th - November 29th

Hello McKay Families!

It has been a mostly blustery and wet week, but classes still headed off on field trips, we still went outside, and learning took place in wonderful ways.

Thank you to everyone who is making an effort to slow down, pull forward, and drive slowly in our school parking lot.

Monday is a Professional Development Day for many elementary schools in Richmond... McKay included! Our staff will be engaging in important professional learning around anti-racism, math and literacy instruction, social responsibility, child development, and more.

Have a great long weekend, and we will see you on Tuesday 😊

Highlights For Next Week Include:

Monday Nov. 25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional Development Day – No School in Session
Tuesday Nov. 26 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCO2 Workshops- Grades 4-7 Richmond Secondary Colts Volleyball Event
Wednesday Nov. 27 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BC Children's Hospital Webinar: Navigating Technology Use Across Childhood and Adolescence 12-1pm... register here PAC Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser orders due tonight by 11:59pm https://fundraising.purdys.com/dashboard.aspx
Thursday Nov. 28 th	
Friday Nov. 29 th	

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:

Fri	Dec 13	PAC Hot Lunch FreshSlice
Mon	Dec 16	Winter Wonderland Skating School Field Trip
Thurs	Dec 19	Winter Concert and Evening Performances More info to come
Thurs	Dec 19	Written Learning Updates published to MyEd Parent Portal
Fri	Dec 20	Last day of school before Winter Break
Mon	Jan 6	School reopens after Winter Break



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!



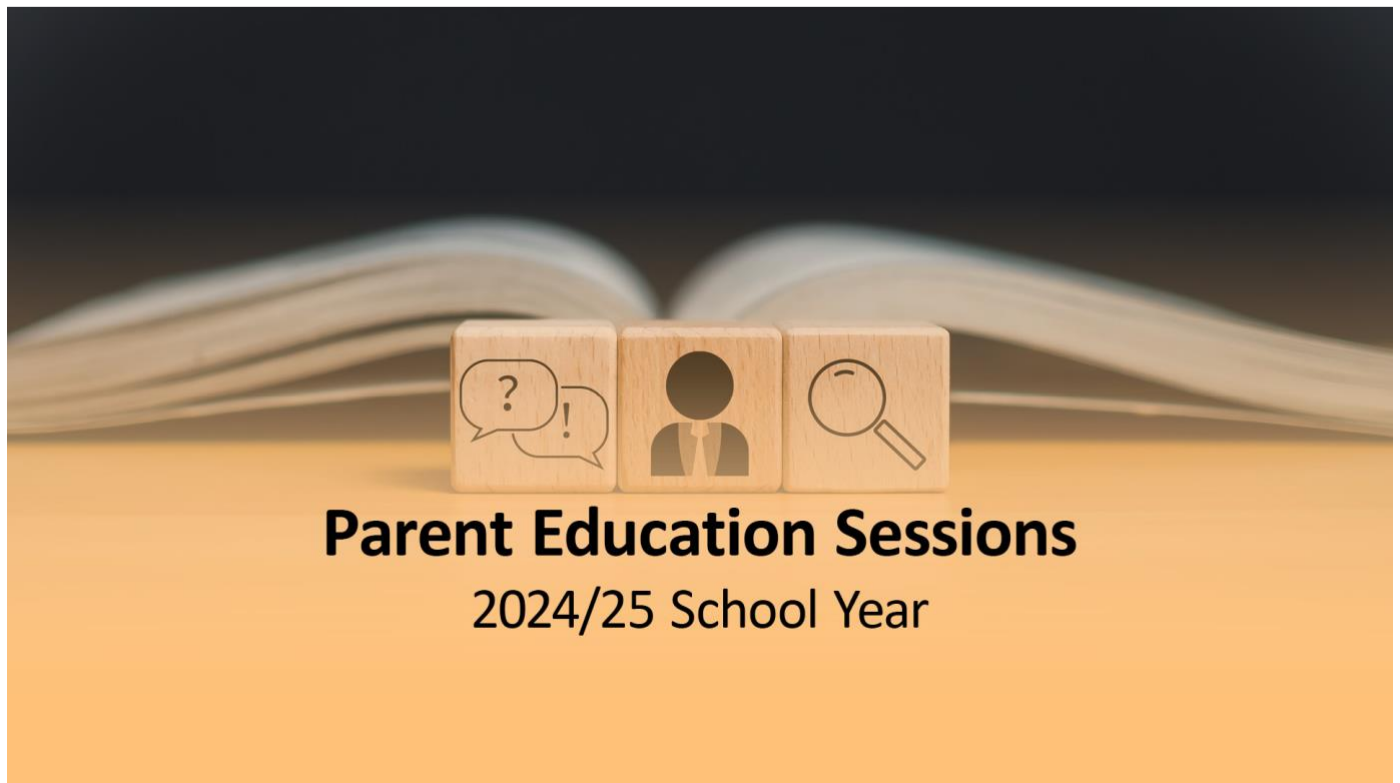
warm gear



rain gear



Extra clothes



Click [here](#) or on the above banner for information about the free, virtual Parent Education Sessions offered by the Richmond School District this year.

Schools Together Virtual Parent Session

As a follow-up to the district's recent Safer Schools Together *Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying* parent session on Wednesday, November 13, please find below the resource/slides referenced by presenter Tyler Lum.

Also, if any parents missed it and would like to register for the complimentary Family Sessions through the Ministry of Education and Childcare's *erase* strategy, they can register here: [erase Family Sessions \(link\)](#).

There is one session per month, and they are open to families and children aged 10 and up.

File #1: Parent Resource - Slides /sites/StudentServices

[Last File Link](#)

[District Program Options for Kindergarten Registration](#)

<https://sd38.bc.ca/news/2024-11-13/parent-education-session-district-program-options-kindergarten-students>

McKay PAC Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser

Order deadline: Wednesday, November 27 at 11:59pm

Delivery Date: Friday, December 6 to student's classrooms



1. To view the catalogue and to place an order, click the link below:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1993981-122068>

2. Register online using your email address and click "Join Campaign".

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please use your child's name when registering and add Division Number in the "last name" box.

3. Click "SHOP ONLINE" on top of the webpage.

4. Fill out your order form and click "Proceed to Checkout" and continue with payment.
(Please make sure you pay via Purdys website)

All proceeds from this fundraising will go towards supporting activities and events for all students at McKay! Thank you for your support! For questions, please send an email to mckayelementarypac@gmail.com.



KEEP YOUR KIDS SAFE ONLINE

TCO2 Presentations

Each year students in Gr. 4 - 7 participate in an online safety presentation called Taking Care of Ourselves and Others. Put on by a local organization called Children of the Streets, preventing child sexual exploitation is their goal. Check out their parent resource, [Ten Tips for Staying Safe Online](#). To learn more about child exploitation prevention see their [Resources](#) page.

What are kids up to?

Find out the current interests and risks that kids are exposed to online, listed by age group, and how you can support and protect your child online at [Protect Kids Online](#).

Screen Time Habits

For guidance and resources for parents wanting to teach and equip their children with healthy screen habits visit [Keep Tech In Check](#).



Your kids are important to us!

The digital era that we are living in creates an extra challenge for parents and caregivers as we try to keep up with the technology in our children's lives. How can we teach them to be responsible digital citizens and learn how to use technology as a tool to help them learn? How to support them as they use digital media to express their creativity and engage in the entertaining aspect of technology in moderation? How can we guide them so they can enjoy all the benefits while keeping them safe online?

Read on for websites, webinars and workshops to equip yourself to help your kids.





Online Parent Education Sessions

Nov. 13th: Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying

Jan. 21st: Cellphones: What's Healthy, What's Not, and What We Can Do to Support Our Kids

Feb. 25th: Reclaiming Play: Revitalizing Childhood to Combat Anxiety and Aggression

Apr. 8th: Cybersafe from Exploitation

Visit For more information and to register visit:

<https://sd38.bc.ca/news/2024-10-16/parent-education-sessions>

BC Children's Hospital Kelty
Mental Health

Nov. 27th Parent Webinar

[Register Today!](#)



Click on images for more parent resources

