



## McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG): November 4<sup>th</sup> - November 8<sup>th</sup>

Hello McKay Families!

There was lots of excitement in the school this week for Halloween, Diwali, Cozy Day, Fall baking and making, volleyball, and more! This week we will host our Remembrance Day Assembly, a time to recognize the brave individuals who sacrificed in service to Canada and its allies during times of conflict, war and peace. Our assembly will be on November 8<sup>th</sup>, which is Indigenous Veteran's Day, and students will also be sharing their learning about the significant impacts of Indigenous people who served and continue to serve in Canada's military. Families will be welcome to come to the assembly, November 8<sup>th</sup> which will be at 10:30am... more details to come via email this week.

Staff have noticed many students riding bikes to school and around the school, which is great, but we are concerned about safety. Many cyclists are riding bikes sharply around corners where pedestrians are also walking, and many cyclists are not wearing helmets... it's the law! Here are some safety rules and tips from the RCMP: <https://bc-cb.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/ViewPage.action?siteNodeId=2087&languageId=1&contentId=15273>

Have a great weekend!

### *Highlights For Next Week Include*

<b>Monday</b> Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>Tuesday</b> Nov. 5 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Away Volleyball Game vs. Grauer – Go Mustangs!</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday</b> Nov. 6 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parent Info Session for next year's kindergarten parents of students with disabilities and diverse abilities 6:30pm on Zoom. Info <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday</b> Nov. 7 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Home Volleyball Game vs. Ferris – Go Mustangs!</li> </ul>
<b>Friday</b> Nov. 8 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remembrance Day Assembly at 10:30am- Families welcome, email details to come.</li> <li>PAC Hot lunch for those who ordered- Triple O's</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.**

Mon	Nov 11	Remembrance Day <b>No School in Session</b>
Tues	Nov 12	Gr 6&7 Immunization
Wed	Nov 13	Volleyball Game Away @ Thompson
Thurs	Nov 14	Gr 6 Volleyball Game Away @ Spul'u'kwuks
Fri	Nov 22	PAC Hot Lunch – Sushi Lovers
Mon	Nov 25	Professional Development Day <b>No School in Session</b>
Tues	Nov 26	TCO2 Presentations for Gr 4-7
Tues	Nov 26	Richmond Colts Volleyball Tournament
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

## Significant Dates in our Community



National Inuit Day: Nov. 7  
 Indigenous Veteran's Day: Nov. 8



National Inuit Day, celebrated annually on November 7, honors Inuit culture, heritage, and the significant contributions of Inuit communities across Canada and the circumpolar world. Established in 2006 by Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK), an organization representing Inuit interests in Canada, this day recognizes the importance of Inuit traditions, language, and the challenges faced by Inuit communities.

It is a time to raise awareness about Inuit rights, promote the protection of Arctic environments, and advocate for social, economic, and cultural initiatives that support Inuit well-being. National Inuit Day serves as a reminder of the rich and resilient Inuit culture and the ongoing efforts to preserve it for future generations.



Indigenous Veterans Day, observed on November 8 in Canada, honors the contributions of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit veterans. Established in 1994, it acknowledges the bravery and sacrifices of Indigenous soldiers in various conflicts, celebrating their service and raising awareness of their important role in Canadian military history.



# 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



## Parent Education Sessions

2024/25 School Year

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

# Creating Healthy Attachment & Boundaries



**Parents & Caregivers**



**Brighthouse Library  
Registration Required**

**Wednesday,  
November 6  
6:00-7:30pm**

Learn how to create healthy attachment with your child and take home practical strategies to use right away.

**Wednesday,  
November 13  
6:00-7:30pm**

Learn about how to set boundaries with your child, when to say “no” and how to address big emotions.

[yourlibrary.ca](http://yourlibrary.ca)





# McKay PAC Holiday Plant Fundraiser

Brighten your home inside and out for the winter holiday season by purchasing one (or several!) greenery items below.

All profits from this fundraiser will go towards supporting activities and events for all students at McKay!

Order deadline: Sunday, November 10 at 11:59pm

Delivery Date: Last week of November to student's classrooms




# Winter Fundraiser 2024

Growing Smiles FUNDRAISING



**Approximate Poinsettia Sizes:**

6.5" pot:  
14 to 16" tall and 13 to 16" wide



**6.5" Premium Poinsettia**  
*A Holiday Favourite!* Brighten up any room this winter with a vibrant poinsettia. Available in red and white, the poinsettia is perfect for your home, hotels, restaurants and banks over the holidays.



**Indoor Tropical Planter**  
*Add a festive look to your table with a mixed tropical planter. There are four different plant varieties planted in these rectangular holiday themed tins. **Planter container designs do vary and cannot be requested.***



**Holiday Wreath**  
*A Holiday Wreath is a classic door upgrade. Fresh noble, cedar and juniper decorated with a large plaid bow, frosted pine cones and red berries are sure to give you and your guests a homey warm feeling from the outside.*



**Outdoor Greenery Arrangement**  
*Welcome your guests in from the cold with this large, beautiful and fresh holiday greenery arrangement. Pinecones, berries and a large red bow complete the festive look. Standing at 2 feet tall this statement piece is sure to inspire the joyful spirit!*



**Hanging Greenery Bough**  
*Greenery that is versatile! A fun, vintage burlap bag holds premium greens and red ilex berry branches. Completing the look are holiday picks like a bow and a pinecone. Lean it up against stairs, benches or your home and hang from your door.*



**Succulent Bowl**  
*A beautiful, ceramic, patterned bowl is 9" in diameter. Perfect for your coffee table or as a holiday gift. An assortment of popular succulents are planted with a flowering Kalanchoe in the center.*

\*All items may not be exactly as shown. We have a variety of plant/greenery mixes, containers and holiday features.\*

# Kindergarten Registration

**Richmond School District 38 is excited to welcome Kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2020, turning 5 in 2025. These children will begin Kindergarten in September 2025.**

**Online registration opens on November 1, 2024.**

Please visit our website <https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration> 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 1, 2024 to January 17, 2024, 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 7, 2025.

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 <https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration>.

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

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## In Person Community Events for Parents & Caregivers

**Location:** McMath Secondary School (Rotunda room) 4251 Garry St, Richmond, B.C.

**Date:** Thursday, November 7, 2024

**Time:** 6:30 – 8:00 PM

### Emotion Regulation

When kids frequently have big emotions, parenting can be overwhelming and tiring. As parents, we play an important role in helping our kids manage their big emotions. Discover some strategies and skills to make it easier for your kids and you.

Join us to learn about emotion regulation and dysregulation from Nicole Allen, Registered Clinical Counsellor.

This video presentation will be followed by a facilitated discussion by the Family Peer Support Workers in Richmond.

**Cost:** Free

**Register at:** [familysmart.ca/events](https://familysmart.ca/events)

**Questions?**

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