



McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG):

Nov. 3rd - Nov. 7th

Hello McKay Families!

Halloween and all of the pumpkin and Fall-related learning activities leading up to it made for a fun week at McKay!

We did have a LOT of rain this week, however, and we need to remind families to send raincoats, umbrellas, and some extra layers of clothing so students are comfortable outside. There are no inside supervision options- all students must go outside for recess and lunch play times. Dressing appropriately and having a change of clothes helps make outside play on rainy days fun and comfortable. Thank you for your help with this!

This week

Have a great weekend ☺

Highlights For Next Week Include:

Monday Nov. 3 rd	McKay Leadership students running a Candy Drive all week in support of McMath Leadership's event- see poster below- students may donate any pre-packaged, unopened candy. Anyone who donates any amount of candy is entered into a draw to win a stuffy.
Tuesday Nov. 4 th	- Volleyball Home @ Home vs. Blundell 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. - PAC 101: 6:30pm @ Burnett -See info below- RSVP required
Wednesday Nov. 5 th	- Parent Resource- BC Children's Hospital- ADHD Education Day 9am on Zoom... Info here - Volleyball Game @ Home vs. Garden City 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Thursday Nov. 6 th	Volleyball Game Away @ Blair 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday Nov. 7 th	PAC Hot lunch for those who ordered: Sushi Lovers

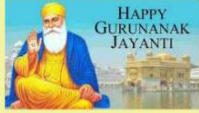
VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER FROM THE OFFICE.....

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:

Mon	Nov 10	Remembrance Day Assembly
Tues	Nov 11	Remembrance Day - No School in Session
Mon	Nov 17	PAC Meeting online @ 7:15pm- link will be emailed

Significant Dates in our Community



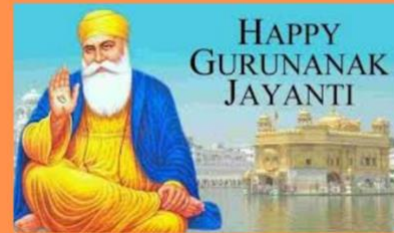
Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib: Nov. 5

International Inuit Day: Nov. 7

Indigenous Veterans Day: Nov. 8



International Inuit Day, sometimes referred to as National Inuit Day, is observed annually on November 7. It is a day to celebrate and amplify the unique cultures, languages, history, and contributions of Inuit across the circumpolar region, including Canada, Alaska, Greenland, and Russia.



The birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib is celebrated as Gurburab to commemorate the birth of the first Sikh guru and founder of Sikhism. This festival honors his life and teachings, which emphasized equality, selfless service, honest work, and devotion to God. Celebrations involve various religious activities and community gatherings, such as prayers, communal meals, and processions, to celebrate the principles he laid out.



Indigenous Veterans Day is held every year on November 8 in Canada to honor the significant contributions and sacrifices of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis people in military service.

Thousands of Indigenous people volunteered and served with distinction in Canada's military conflicts, including the First World War, Second World War, and the Korean War. However, upon their return, many faced systemic discrimination, including being denied the same benefits and support as non-Indigenous veterans.

Indigenous Veterans Day was first observed in Winnipeg in 1994, initiated by the National Aboriginal Veterans Association. The date was chosen specifically to ensure that Indigenous veterans could have their own ceremonies to honor their specific history and sacrifices.



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



McKay Hot Lunch Days Sep - Dec 2025

Order Deadline	Food Vendor	Food Date
Sun Sep 21 at 11:59pm	Fresh Slice Pizza	Thu Sep 25
Fri Oct 10 at 11:59pm	Asian Menu by Bala Foods	Fri Oct 17
Fri Oct 31 at 11:59pm	Sushi Lovers	Fri Nov 7
Fri Nov 14 at 11:59pm	Triple O	Fri Nov 21
Fri Dec 5 at 11:59pm	Fresh Slice Pizza	Fri Dec 12



Scan to Order

Or go to this website to order --> <https://munchalunch.com/schools/mckay/>



*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*

Kindergarten Registration Applications for the 2026/27 school year!

Join us for an informative session focused on supporting students with disabilities and diverse abilities.

Topics will include:

- Understanding Inclusive Learning in Richmond School District
- Steps for Kindergarten Registration
- English Language Learner (ELL) Assessments and Welcome Centre
- District Program Options (Early French Immersion and Montessori)

Date: Wednesday, November 5, 2025

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Hosts: Gordon Fitt, Liz Hayes-Brown, and Sarah Loat

To attend, please join via Zoom using this [link](#) and enter passcode: 6000.

Richmond District PAC 101 –

Tuesday November 4th

Who:

The Richmond District Parents Association (RDPA) invites volunteers from all Elementary and High School PACs in School District #38 (SD#38). *(New parents may join the Fundraising session if space permits. Please advise your PAC chair when submitting your request).*

When:

Tuesday, November 4th

6:30 PM - 7:00 PM: Light Dinner & Refreshments

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM: Discussions

Where:

J.N. Burnett Secondary School (5011 Granville Ave)

Why:

This workshop is an excellent opportunity to connect with executives from other PACs. Participants will leave with a renewed sense of their value to the school community, as well as a wealth of new ideas and networking connections.

What to Expect:

1. PAC Chair and Secretary Workshop

- Focuses on the rewarding yet challenging roles of PAC Chair and Secretary.
- Participants are encouraged to bring a copy of their PAC's Constitution and Bylaws, as these documents can be surprisingly useful.
- Discussion will also cover teamwork strategies between the PAC Chair and Secretary.

2. Fundraising Workshop

- A platform to share successes and brainstorm new fundraising ideas.
- Topics will include personal donations and tax receipts, applying for lottery licenses, and understanding the reasons behind our fundraising efforts.

3. Treasurer's Workshop

- Learn best practices for managing PAC finances and essential documentation.
- This year's focus will include financial controls, liability, risks, and insurance coverage related to PAC activities, facilitated by School District 38.

RSVP: please email keyching408@hotmail.com with your name, contact number, email address, and desired section to attend.



Early Learning for Families Events



Do you have a 0-5 year old child?

The Richmond School District welcomes your family to our Early Learning for Families (ELFF) events. Join us for fun and engaging learning experiences while meeting new friends and building home to school connections. It's also a great opportunity to ask your Early Learning questions to district staff.

Event Date & Time	Theme	Elementary School	Address	Special Guest
November 27, 2025 9:15 - 11:00 am	Early Learning for Families	Mitchell Elementary	3800 No. 5 Road Richmond BC	Ira Pettie
January 20, 2026 9:15am - 11:00 am	Early Learning for Families	Whiteside Elementary	9282 Williams Road, Richmond BC	Penny Pom Pom & Fae the Garden Fairy
March 5, 2026 1:15 - 3:00 pm	Early Learning for Families	Thompson Elementary	6211 Forsyth Crescent, Richmond BC	Will's Jams
May 20, 2026 12:45 - 2:30 pm	Outdoor Event: Indigenous Storytelling	Anderson Elementary	9640 Alberta Road, Richmond BC	Kung Jaydee

Special Guests



Ira Pettie
Performing Artist &
Entertainer



Penny Pom Pom & Fae
the Garden Fairy
Musicians



Will's Jams
Musicians



Kung Jaydee
Indigenous Storyteller



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MINISTRY*