



McKay's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG): May 11th - May 15th

Hello McKay Families!

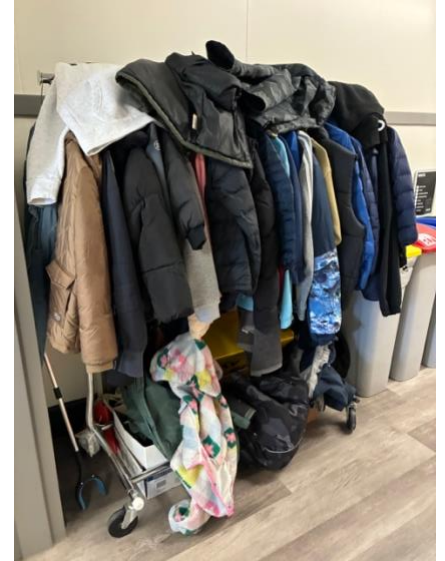
We had a great week with several special events! It was fantastic to see so many of our students participating at the District Zone Track Meet in many different events. The day went smoothly, and our McKay Mustangs represented us well with great participation, sportsmanship, and effort. Thank you to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

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

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 Early dismissal @ 1:30pm
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

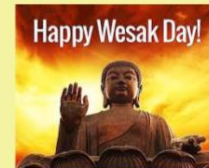
May is Speech & Hearing Month



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 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



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*



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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