

# Bridge Week-at-a-Glance

April 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023



April is Autism Awareness Month

April is Sikh Heritage Month

<b>Monday</b> April 10	Happy Easter Monday – schools are closed
<b>Tuesday</b> April 11	<b>Track Attack for grades 3-7</b> <b>PAC Meeting @7pm via Teams</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> April 12	<b>School-wide field trip to the VSO</b> – <i>please be sure to arrive at school on time to catch the bus!</i>
<b>Thursday</b> April 13	<b>Track Attack for grades 3-7</b> Shayna Jones ArtStarts Presentation
<b>Friday</b> April 14	<b>Track Attack for grades 3-7</b> <b>PAC Fundraiser – Krispy Kreme Donut Sales 2:45-3pm</b>

We had a busy and exciting week at Bridge as we moved six classes into their new learning spaces and opened the corridor connecting the two upstairs. Monsieur Lecky and Madame Canas' classes have moved into the classrooms upstairs on the west side of the school while Mr. Gill, Madame Trewin and Madame Yamamoto are downstairs.

Ms. Nguyen and her Kindergarten and Grade 1 students have moved into a temporary learning space until the end of the year while their classroom is under construction. Our staffroom and staff washrooms are also closed so we have moved upstairs. You may have noticed the new School sign at the front of the school that is backlit. Don't worry – the rest of the school will also be painted by the end of the project. We can't wait to see the final reveal in September/October!



## Vancouver Symphony Orchestra Field Trip

Thank you to Madame Tuason and Mrs. Batkin for organizing our school-wide field trip to the VSO this Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. A reminder to arrive at school on time so that we can all get on our designated buses.



## Track Attack

We are excited to start preparing for our **Track and Field Day** at Minoru scheduled for **Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>** for students in **Grades 3-7**. Students will try out the different events at school in April during our **Track Attack** practices. These events include: sprints, long distance running, relays, long jump, softball throw, high jump (Grades 4-7), shot put and discus (Grades 6/7 only). ***Please be sure to wear runners and appropriate clothing and bring a water bottle on our Track Attack Days noted in our monthly calendar and above.***



## Concours – French Speaking Contest

Congratulations to our Bridge students who participated in the District-level of the French Public Speaking Contest at McRoberts on Monday. Le Concours d'art Oratoire is sponsored by the Canadian Parents for French and all of our students did a wonderful job with several advancing to the provincial level.

Félicitations à/Congratulations to:

Grade 6

TED TALK: **Priya Bring**

Pairs: **Linda and Jack Huang**

Traditional: **Emma Valenzuela** (who qualified for provincials)



Grade 7

Traditional: **Heidi Yablonsky**

Pairs: **Cristiano Carvalho and Elliott England**

## McRoberts Striker Basketball Tournament

Congratulations to our Bridge Bulldogs for participating in the McRoberts Striker Basketball Tournament and for all of our fans who came out to support the teams!



## Grade 7 Camp + Event Fundraiser

Thank you for supporting our Grade 7 students. The donut sales have been a hit! Our Grade 7 Parents will be selling Krispy Kreme Donuts after school again from 2:45-3pm on the next three Fridays. All proceeds will help with the cost of Grade 7 Camp and Year End Farewell Activities. Thank you for your support!

**Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**

**1 donut for \$2**  
**3 donuts for \$5**  
**12 donuts for \$20**







## Ramadan Mubarak

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar, observed by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting, prayer, reflection and community. This year the month of Ramadan began on March 22<sup>nd</sup> during our Spring Break. **Ramadan Kareem** to all in our community who recognize and take part in this special month.

## April is Autism Awareness Month

National Autism Awareness Month raises awareness for Autism and Asperger's syndrome during April. Autism is a complex brain disorder that often inhibits a person's ability to communicate, respond to surroundings, and form relationships with others. Here is a link to an award-winning short video about Autism called: **Amazing Things Happen**

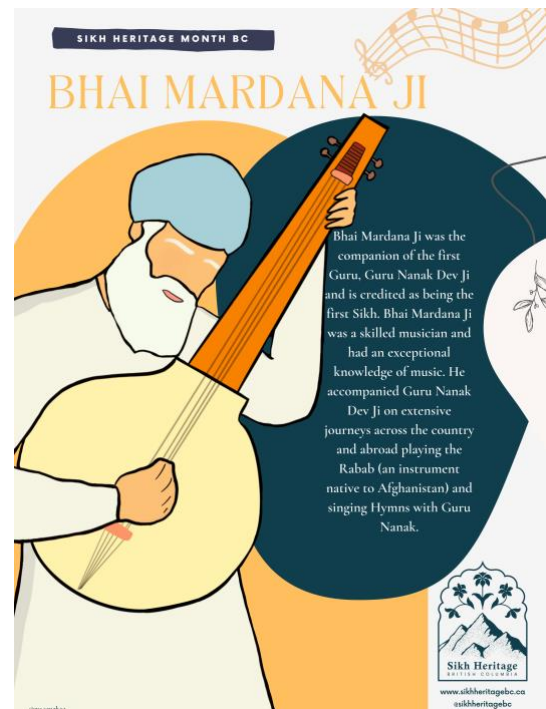
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## Sikh Heritage Month

Canada is proud to be home to more than 500,000 Sikh Canadians, making it one of the largest Sikh diasporas in the world. Since the arrival of the first Sikh immigrants in the late 19th century, members of this community have contributed to Canada through their achievements in all areas of society and have helped shape the diversity found within it.

Sikh Heritage Month offers an opportunity for all Canadians to recognize and highlight the important contributions that Sikh communities have made and continue to make to Canada's social, economic, political, and cultural heritage. Let's celebrate in April and learn more about the unique history and culture of Sikh communities in Canada.



RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT | PARENT INFORMATION SESSION | MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

# Holding Onto Our Kids in a Digital World

with Dr. Deborah MacNamara



Dr. Deborah MacNamara is the author of *Rest, Play, Grow: Making Sense of Preschoolers (or anyone who acts like one)*, and her children's picture book, *The Sorry Plane*. She is on Faculty at the Neufeld Institute and Director of the counselling practice, Kid's Best Bet.

*As if parenting wasn't hard enough in having to deal with screens, peer pressure on kids - and then we had to add a pandemic on top of it!*

How can we hold on to our kids so we can influence and guide them? What do kids really need from us so as to grow into socially and emotionally responsible beings? This presentation will discuss issues from technology to peer problems and how parents are the ultimate answer for what kids need most of all. Practical suggestions for (re)building strong relationships with kids from preschoolers to teenagers will be discussed along with managing challenging behaviour - including screen time!

## DATE/TIME

**Tuesday, May 2, 2023**  
**6:30 – 8pm**

## LOCATION

**Hosted virtually**  
**via Zoom**



## REGISTRATION

Register using either the web address or QR code below.

<https://bit.ly/40yMLJH>



## Mark your calendars:

Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

**Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

**May 1<sup>st</sup> – May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>

Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>

Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

**Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**

Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>

Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

Lockdown Drill

First Day of Eid al-Fitr (Last day of Ramadan)

**EARTH DAY!**

Administrative Professionals Day

Free Zoom Webinar for Parents @6:30pm

Outdoor Ed (Camp) for Grade 7 students

Track and Field Day at Minoru – Grades 3-7

PAC Meeting @7pm via Teams

**PAC Spring Fun Fair Carnival!**

Pro-D Day - no school for students

Victoria Day – schools closed

Safety Drill

McRoberts Band Performance at Bridge

**Welcome to Kindergarten afternoon**

Immunizations for Grades K/1/6/7

Safety Drill

Sports Day


South Arm Swimming and Picnic Day

Grade 7 Farewell Assembly and Luncheon

Last day of school for students

## SWIS CALENDAR - APRIL 2023

To register click on the activity photo

April 5	April 6	April 14	April 17	April 18	April 18	April 19
Summer Learning 	BC Graduation Requirements & ELL Learning in Secondary School 	Family Law Workshop 	Meet & Greet 	Meet & Greet 	Information Session on Summer Learning 	Girls Supporting Girls Youth Connections 
April 20	April 24	April 25	April 25	April 26	April 26	April 26
Summer Learning (中文翻译) 	Summer Learning 2023 	Youth Connections Badminton 	Summer Activities 	Helping teenagers to manage emotions 	Langara Field Trip 	Meet Thompson SWIS and Principal 
Weekly or Bi-Weekly Activities						
Mondays Bi-Weekly 	Tuesdays Bi-Weekly 	Wednesdays Bi-Weekly 	Thursdays Bi-Weekly 	Every Thursday 	Every Friday 	