

# Bridge Week-at-a-Glance

October 30<sup>th</sup> – November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023



<b>Monday</b> October 30	
<b>Tuesday</b> 31	<b>Halloween – safe costumes welcome</b> <b>Trick or Treat Others with Respect</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> November 1	<b>Kindergarten Registration begins for children turning 5 in 2024.</b> <b>See information below and on our website.</b> <b>Musqueam Day</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 2	<b>PAC Hot Lunch – Sushi Lovers - Pre-Orders only</b>
<b>Friday</b> 3	French Dance Workshop for Divisions 5, 6, 7

## “Trick or Treat” Others with Respect

Halloween should and needs to be fun; however, we need to be aware that celebrating Halloween needs to be fun for all. Halloween offers an opportunity to have meaningful conversations about costume choices with students and adults and requires consideration. It is important to keep in mind that we need to be sensitive to groups that have been marginalized through mimicry and cultural appropriation during Halloween and other 'dress up' events.



**It's good to keep in mind that the following are NOT costumes:**

**RACE** (black face/brown face)

**CULTURE** (Indigenous regalia/dreadlocks)

**RELIGIOUS FAITH** (religious figures/gods/saints/gurus/hijab)

**GENDER** (gender switching for humour or to mock)

**TRAUMA** (hangman's noose/weapons)

## Feeding Futures School Program Fund

Recently, the provincial government announced a new Feeding Futures School Program Fund, designed to assist schools in the development and enhancement of school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students. If you would like to request support for your child at school, please reach out to Karen Lin, Principal at [klin@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:klin@sd38.bc.ca).

We are gathering information and look to provide ongoing support wherever possible. Implementation plans are underway, and we want to ensure families are aware, and as always, able to reach out if they require support. All requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with families to ensure that your children have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.



### Visitor Sign-in

We are waiting our new signage for our exterior doors but would like to remind **visitors** (including parents and caregivers) to always sign-in at the office when entering the school. As part of our **Health and Safety Protocols**, this helps us know who is in the building and where everyone is. It also helps to keep our students and staff safe. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

### Student Late Sign-in

A gentle reminder to all students that you must sign in at the office if you arrive after 8:45am. Teachers record attendance at this time and begin instruction. Late arrivals are also noted on the student report card and permanent record. If students do not sign in at the office, the office staff will call home to check that the student is safe. **Thank you for your efforts to arrive at school by the second bell at 8:45 so that you don't miss out on important morning routines and learning.**



# Musqueam Day

An important day recognized by Musqueam Nation to celebrate their ancestor's determination to seek justice and protect their inherent rights. On November 1, 1984, Musqueam won *Guerin v. The Queen*, the landmark Supreme Court of Canada case regarding the Shaughnessy Golf Course lease. The case, led by Musqueam Chief Delbert Guerin, fundamentally changed Canadian law.



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**erase Family Sessions 2023/2024**

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Training Offering	Dates	Delivery	Registration Link
<b>Family Session: Establishing Safe, Caring, &amp; Respectful Digital Communities – Everyone Welcome!</b> Recommended for Parents/Caregivers/Grandparents and youth aged 10 and up as a way to facilitate the conversation of safe and caring use of technology at home and in the community. This session covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion. Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed.	<b>November 8, 2023</b> 6:30pm – 7:30pm	online	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732334942527?aff=oddtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732334942527?aff=oddtcreator</a>
	<b>November 28, 2023</b> 7:00pm – 8:00pm	online	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732343096917?aff=oddtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732343096917?aff=oddtcreator</a>
	<b>November 30, 2023</b> 6:30pm – 7:30pm	online	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732346587357?aff=oddtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732346587357?aff=oddtcreator</a>

# Here and there at Bridge...

## Truth and Reconciliation

In Division 18, students creatively express their understanding of **Truth and Reconciliation**, as well as the Seven Grandfather teachings through a woodburning art activity. The class also observed similarities between these teachings and our core competencies.



## Our new Display Case

Thank you to our amazing construction crew, led by **Darren Porritt**, for building this beautiful new custom display case for our front entrance. We are looking forward to showcasing our students' learning here throughout the year. We can't thank you enough!

## **Cheakamus Center: Reflections By Linda Huang, Div. 18**

After our trip to the Cheakamus Center, I realized that I learned so much, from working better in a team to learning how to do something new. I enjoyed my time there, learning and having fun at the same time. Going into teamwork, one example was the Running Pictionary. Me and my teammates worked together, and we won first! Another example is the Cheakamus Challenge. We cooperated and though we didn't finish the challenge first, I still had a great time. Something new I learned was how to do archery. It was harder than it looked, but the experience was wonderful. Something else I want to talk about is the hike. The climb had difficulty but at the end at the top, I was able to enjoy the amazing, wonderful view at the top. I think this is a very good life lesson. Sometimes things will be hard, but we must not give up and overcome it.

L'expérience au Centre Cheakamus était merveilleux. J'ai appris beaucoup et c'était très amusant. J'ai créé beaucoup de bons souvenirs.

## **Reflections from Yuji Honjo, Div.6**

Camping in Cheakamus was fantastic! I was beyond thrilled to go, and it turned out to be an unforgettable adventure filled with exciting activities. The highlight was definitely hiking up the mountain, with its slippery rocks and steep sections, an impressive 400 metres high. It was exhausting, but the feeling of accomplishment at the top was incredible. There was a moment where I almost slipped, but my friend saved the day!

Canoeing and archery were also amazing experiences. In the canoe, we got to explore and play games like tag, making it even more enjoyable. Archery was a real challenge, and we teamed up to see who could score the most points. Though we almost hit the 50K points, the arrow missed by a tiny bit, leaving us desperate for the next one but we unfortunately couldn't get any higher than 59 points.

The games were a ton of fun too, especially the teamwork challenges. We had to work together to make a mat as small as possible, and some of us even did piggyback rides to succeed. It was an adventure full of laughter, excitement, and new friendships. I'm so glad I had the chance to go to Cheakamus, and I'd encourage anyone to experience the thrill and joy of camping there. It's a memory I'll never forget.

## Reflections from Megan Siu, Div. 7

Something that "rocked" was the campfire on the last day. Me and my friends performed 'Let It Go' and it was amazing. It was a great experience and something that I would want to do again.

Something that I am leaving with is the hiking. It was challenging and dangerous, but really fun.

Something that I am leaving behind is the rice which wasn't the best. Something that stuck with me is the amazing councillors that guided us, helped us, and made camp super fun!



## Mark Your Calendars:

Tuesday, November 7

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Thursday, November 9

**Friday, November 10**

**Monday, November 13**

Tuesday, November 14

Thursday, November 16

Thursday, November 16

Friday, November 17

Tuesday, November 21

Thursday, November 23

Wednesday, Nov. 29

Thursday, November 30

Thursday, November 30

**Friday, December 1**

Wednesday, Dec. 6

Thursday, December 7

**Friday, December 8**

Thursday, December 14

Friday, December 15

Thursday, December 21

Thursday, December 21

**Friday, December 22**

**Monday, December 25**

**Monday, January 8**

Photo Retake Day

Kindergarten Hearing Screening

**PAC Hot Lunch-Pizza Hut-Pre-Orders only**

**Remembrance Day Assembly**

**Schools Closed for Remembrance Day**

Safety Drill

**Grade 7 Bottle Fundraiser – 8:45am drop-off**

**PAC Hot Lunch – Bar Burrito - Pre-Orders only**

Will et Seeka – French Cultural Performance

PAC Meeting via Teams at 6:45pm

**PAC Hot Lunch – Fusion Feast - Pre-Orders only**

Grades 6 and 7 Immunizations

TCO2 Presentation for Grades 4-7

**PAC Hot Lunch – Pizza Hut - Pre-Orders only**

**Pro-D Day – schools not in session**

Safety Drill

**PAC Hot Lunch – Sushi Lovers - Pre-Orders only**

**First Day of Hanukkah**

**PAC Hot Lunch – Bar Burrito - Pre-Orders only**

Report Cards published in MyEd for families

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**Last Day of School before the Winter Break**

**Christmas Day**

**First Day of School after the Winter Break**



**SAVE THE DATE!**

A promotional banner for Kindergarten Registration. The top half features a collage of educational icons (ABC, numbers, a lightbulb, a clock, a book, a pencil) and two photos: a girl smiling while reading a book and a boy sitting on the grass reading. The text 'Richmond School District' is in a smaller blue font, followed by 'Kindergarten Registration' in a large, bold blue font, and 'November–January' in a bold black font. The bottom half is a solid blue bar containing social media icons for Facebook and Twitter, the website URL 'sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten', and the 'RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38' logo.

Richmond School District  
**Kindergarten  
Registration**  
November–January

  | [sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten](https://sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten)

**RICHMOND**  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

The Richmond School District 38 is excited to welcome **Kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2019, turning 5 in 2024**. These children will begin Kindergarten in September 2024. Online registration opens on November 1, 2023. Please visit our website [www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten](https://www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten) 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 to January**, in order 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 2, 2024.

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 [www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten](https://www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten).

Finally, there will be a **Kindergarten Information Evening for parents of students with disabilities and diverse abilities** on Zoom held on November 8th from 6:30 – 7:30pm. A link to the Zoom is available on our District website [www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten](https://www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten).

Thank you and please share this information with your friends and family who have Kindergarten aged children!