Bridge Week-at-a-Glance

February 19th - 23rd, 2024







Staffing Updates at Bridge



We would like to extend a warm welcome to three new staff members at Bridge: **Ms. Canlas**, who will be working in the front office as an administrative assistant on Tuesdays, **Ms. Khanal**, who joins our amazing Educational Assistant Team, and **Ms. Ho**, our Speech and Language Pathologist who will be at Bridge on Wednesdays.

We would also like to thank **Mr. Leung**, Education Assistant, for his wonderful dedication to our students and staff while at Bridge this year and we wish him all the best during his Teacher Practicum.

Monday 19	Family Day – schools are closed We hope you have a fun day together as a family!
Tuesday 20	PAC Meeting via Teams at 7pm – everyone is welcome! (a Teams Link will be emailed home)
Wednesday 21	Boys Basketball Game @Lee
Thursday 22	Safety Drill PAC Hot Lunch – Pizza Hut – pre-orders only Girls Basketball Game @Lee
Friday 23	Family Teams Meet and Greet!







We hope that those of you who are celebrating Chinese New Year or Lunar New Year are enjoying your time with family, friends and traditions. Some of our staff members treated us to an amazing selection of New Year goodies and decorated the staff room to bring the celebrations into our school. What a wonderful sharing moment.

The Lantern Festival takes place on **Saturday**, **February 24th** this year. This is a Chinese celebration that marks the end of the Lunar New Year. Please this link for more information:

https://www.britannica.com/topic/Lantern-Festival



Tuesday, February 27
Wednesday, February 28
Wednesday, February 29
Thursday, February 29
Thursday, February 29
Friday, March 1
March 4-6
Tuesday, March 5
Wednesday, March 6
Thursday, March 7
Friday, March 8
Monday, March 11
March 11-13

Sunday, March 31 Tuesday, April 2 Tuesday, April 9 Wednesday, April 10 Tuesday, April 16

Thursday, March 14

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March 15 - April 1

Thursday, April 18 Friday, April 19 Monday, April 22 Tuesday, April 23

Thursday, April 25

Friday, April 26

Beatles Songbook Assembly (rescheduled date)
PINK SHIRT DAY

District Free-Throw Competition at Bridge @3:30pm PAC Hot Lunch – Fusion Feast – pre-orders only Girls Basketball Game at Anderson Family Teams Carnaval Theme Day Co-ed Basketball Tournament at Hugh Boyd Safety Drill

Boys Basketball Game at Jessie Wowk

PAC Hot Lunch – Bar Burrito – pre-orders only

Author Visit for Intermediate Classes in the library

First day of Ramadan

McRoberts Striker Basketball Tournament
PAC Hot Lunch - Sushi Lovers – pre-orders only
The last day of school before Spring Break
Spring Break
Happy Easter

Welcome back to school after Spring Break!
PAC Meeting – note new date (not April 16)
First Day of Eid al-Fitr

French Festival at McRoberts 5-8pm
Grade 7 Bottle Fundraiser – Drop-off at 8:45am
Pro-D Day – no school for students today
Earth Day
Passover begins
CyberSafe Workshop for Grades 6/7

Learning Updates #2 Published in MyEd

SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION

An Online Presentation for Parents

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Learn why children/teenagers are drawn to substances
- Understand what causes and maintains substance use disorder and needs
- Increase your child's ability to make positive choices about substances
- Acquire practical conversation tools for discussing substances in the home

Presentation Overview:

This presentation will focus on **tools and strategies** that you can use to speak to your children about substances in a way that encourages **positive decision-making** through a psychological lens. You will learn the causes of youth substance use and be introduced to a framework for **creating open communication** on this topic in your home.

There will be a focus on prevention and harm/risk mitigation in order to **empower** you to help your children think critically about their own behaviours, motivations, and choices.

In this session, you will be provided with the **specific language to use** when conversations arise about substances. There will also be opportunities to ask questions about the specific challenges you are facing with your children.

Online Session Information:

February 20th, 22nd or 28th

6pm-7:30 pm PST

Note. The same presentation will be delivered on each date

REGISTER



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Presenter: Dr Hayley Watson

Clinical Psychologist & Founder of Open Parachute

(PhD Clin Psych, MA Clin Psych, MA Transpersonal Psych, PG Dip Psych, BA Criminology)



Dr Hayley Watson is a Clinical Psychologist from BC, specializing in children and adolescents with a PhD in school bullying interventions, along with four further academic degrees in the field of mental health.

She has been working with young people and their families globally for the past 20 years.



Early Learning for Families Events



Check out the schedule below! Do you have a 3 - 5 year old preschooler? The Richmond School District welcomes your family to the **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 questions all about Early Learning. **Each ELFF event will include**:

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- hands on and collaborative activities
- music and movement experience by Ginalina
- opportunities to connect with families and Richmond Early Childhood Educators

Elementary School	Date	Time
Steves Elementary - 10111 Fourth Ave.	April 8	9:30 - 11:00 am
Thompson Elementary - 6211 Forsyth Cres.	April 8	1:00 - 2:30 pm
Tait Elementary - 10071 Finlayson Dr.	April 9	9:30 - 11:00 am
Cook Elementary - 8600 Cook Rd.	April 9	1:00 - 2:30 pm

Ginalina is a Juno-nominated Musician and Multidisciplinary Artist who uses music, stories, and movement to connect with audiences to celebrate nature, community, and the connections we share. Ginalina is featured on <u>BC Kids Knowledge Kids Network</u>. Visit Ginalina's website to learn more.