

# Bridge Week-at-a-Glance

September 30<sup>th</sup> – October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024



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| <b>Monday<br/>30</b>         | <b>National Day for Truth and Reconciliation<br/>Schools Closed</b>   |
| <b>Tuesday<br/>October 1</b> | <b>Photo Day – Cheese!</b><br>Students will have <b>Individual</b><br>and <b>Class Photos</b> today.<br>See more information below. |
| <b>Wednesday<br/>2</b>       |   |
| <b>Thursday<br/>3</b>        |   |
| <b>Friday<br/>4</b>          | <b>Candy Bones Fine Arts Assembly</b>   |



## BIENVENUE

Please join me in welcoming our newest staff members at Bridge:  
**Mme Ronse** will be teaching Grade 7 EFI beginning October 11<sup>th</sup>.  
**Ms. Hui** has been assigned to our school as an early morning custodian from 6:30-8:00am.

**Mr. Tang** is the District Teacher Consultant assigned to Bridge this year. He is passionate about ADST and everything tech!

# YOUR PHOTO DAY IS APPROACHING!

Tuesday, October 1st, 2024



## Showcase Your Best Smile

- Students will be photographed at school.
- On photo day, no order form or payment is due.
- Review your images and purchase online with ease!



### DON'T FORGET

School photos are a Canadian tradition to capture the school year and preserve your continued growth.



### GET REMINDERS

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# National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



**Every child matters.  
Chaque enfant compte.**

As part of our journey towards truth and reconciliation, we had an assembly on Friday to learn more about **Orange Shirt Day**, the **Halq'eméylem language** and **some basic greetings**. Students will continue this learning journey all year long.

We want to build bridges.

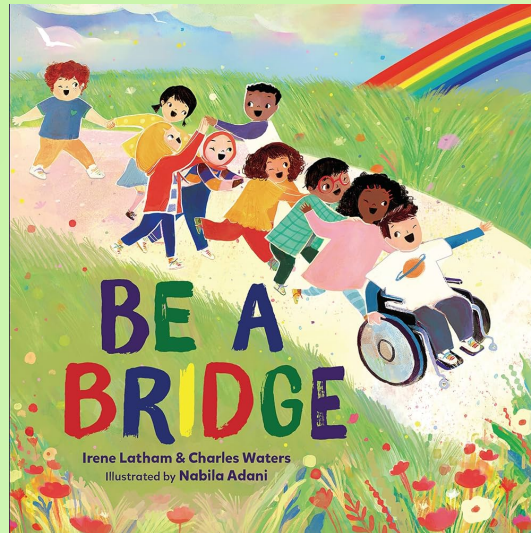
We want to remember and to learn.

Here is the link to a CBC Kids Video explaining Orange Shirt Day:

<https://www.cbc.ca/kids/articles/what-is-orange-shirt-day>

What are you doing to work towards  
**Truth and Reconciliation?**

# How can you be a bridge?



We have started the year off discussing with staff, students and families how we can **Be a Bridge** based on the picture book by the same name written by Irene Latham and Charles Waters and illustrated by Nabila Adani. We have several copies in the school and teachers are reading this story to classes and learning about how bridges are strong and how bridges connect. Be a Bridge celebrates inclusivity, respect and connection and is a wonderful way to start the year.

As the author notes ***"We're learning everyday how to love the world better by reaching out to others, being better listeners, and keeping our hearts open.... We can ask others for help. Help might come from a parent or other caregiver, an older sibling, a teacher, a trusted neighbour, or someone else in your life who supports you. Sometimes it's the smallest actions that make all the difference in a person's experience. So go ahead: be a bridge!"***

Please visit the **School Story** section of our **Bridge Website** for more information:

<https://bridge.sd38.bc.ca/news/2024/09/be-bridge>



## Bicycle Safety

It has been wonderful seeing so many students riding their bikes to school. Thank you for remembering to always wear your helmet and for locking up your bike at our bicycle rack!



## Bridge Fridge

Our Bridge Fridge is being restocked every couple of weeks by our Feeding Futures Department in the District. This week we have apples, eggs and yogurt available. These products are not meant to replace recess snacks and/or student lunches but are to help those students who are hungry during the day and not able to concentrate or learn due to an empty tummy. We continue to work with students to make sure everyone has what they need to participate in our school day.

## Pro-D Day – September 20<sup>th</sup>



Our staff had a very full and thoughtful Professional Development Day on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. We worked with two District Teacher Consultants, Karla Gamble, in the morning and Jonathan Tsang, in the afternoon. In the morning, we focussed on the First Peoples Principles of Learning. In the afternoon we had the opportunity to explore our district's award-winning internal website and teaching resources. We also had the time to try out some of the district's coding materials. At the start of the

day, we took part in two warm-up activities involving hula hoops and rock paper scissors. Before leaving for the weekend, we worked as a team to discuss new school policies and our school theme this year, Be a Bridge!

# Bridge School Staff

## 2024-2025

**Principal** ~ Mrs. Karen Lin      **Vice-Principal** ~ Ms. Eleanor Lee  
**Administrative Assistants** ~ Mrs. R. Menzies, Ms. M. Henniger (Wed/Thurs), Ms. D. Rossignol (Tue)

### **Classroom Teachers**

Division 1 ~ Ms. V. Nguyen  
Division 2 ~ Mr. Gideon  
Division 3 ~ Ms. L. Funston  
Division 4 ~ Mr. M. Lee  
Division 5 ~ Mrs. J. Jeffrey  
Division 6 ~ Mr. E. Keenlyside  
Division 7 ~ Mr. J. Gill  
Division 11 ~ Mme A. Parkes  
Division 12 ~ Mme V. Yamamoto  
Division 13 ~ Mme A. Lee  
Division 14 ~ Mme M. Boutin  
Division 15 ~ Mme A. Tuason  
Division 16 ~ Mme D. Trewin  
Division 17 ~ M. J. Lecky  
Division 18 ~ Mme J. Ronse

**Teacher Librarian** ~ Mrs. C. Sugiarto

**Band and Music Teacher** ~ Mr. T. Sars

### **Resource/ELL Team**

Ms. J. McDonald, Mr. N. Szeto, Mme T. Kuan, Ms. V. Wardell, Ms. M. Sun

### **Relief/Prep Teachers**

Mr. T. Sars and Ms. E. Lee

### **Educational Assistant Team**

Ms. M. Scallion, Ms. C. Villafuerte, Ms. M. Ishikawa, Ms. C. Sharma,  
Ms. A. Hung, Ms. T. Shuh, Ms. L. Fu, Ms. A. Tolley, Ms. V. Fu, Ms. L. Khanal

### **Additional Support Staff**

Area Counsellor ~ Ms. M. Flores  
District Resource Teacher - Inclusion Support Team - Ms. L. Joseph  
School Psychologist - Ms. H. Kirkham  
Speech-Language Pathologist - Ms. P. Ho  
Teacher Consultant - Mr. J. Tang  
Indigenous Success Team Teacher ~ Mr. J. Campbell  
Hearing Resource Teacher ~ Ms. A. Dennstedt  
Custodians ~ Mr. Y. Choi, Mr. J. Lu, Ms. N. Hui  
SWIS Worker (Settlement Workers in Schools) ~ Ms. M. Dadural  
Noon Hour Supervisors ~ Ms. L. Craker, Ms. P. Buttar, Ms. T. MacDonald

# Nut Awareness

Nut products can cause severe and life-threatening allergic reactions.

To help us maintain a safe environment, we kindly ask that you refrain from bringing any items containing nuts to school.



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## BECOME HOMESTAY at the RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# SAVE THE DATE!

**Monday, October 14**

**Tuesday, October 22**

**Wednesday, October 23**

**Friday, October 25**

**Thursday, October 31**

Monday, November 4

Friday, November 8

**Monday, November 11**

**Friday, November 22**

**Monday, November 25**

Wed., November 27

Thursday, December 19

Friday, December 20

December 21 – January 5

Monday, January 6

**Thanksgiving Day – Schools Closed**

**Early Dismissal at 1:45pm for Learning Updates**

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**Provincial Pro-D Day – No School for Students**

**Happy Halloween!**

Photo Retakes

Remembrance Day Assembly

**Remembrance Day – Schools Closed**

**PAC sponsored special fun evening event  
(more info to come)**

**Pro-D Day – No School for Students**

Grades 6 and 7 Immunizations

Written Learning Update #1

The last day of school before the winter break

Winter Break

Back to school after the winter break

**DROP OFF ONLY**



**NO PARKING  
PLEASE**

**Please note that our school parking lot is for staff only.**

**Remember to:**

- Park on the street if you would like to walk your child to their outside classroom door, or
- Drop your child off in the drive-thru lane
- Stop your car, do not leave it unattended

**Thank you for helping to keep all of our students and staff safe!**