

Bridge Week-at-a-Glance

October 28th – November 1st, 2024



Poppy Campaign October 25th – November 11th

We will provide all students with a poppy to wear at our school's **Remembrance Day Assembly** on **Friday, November 8th**.

Donations are accepted at the office or by Cash Online.

Monday 28	Scholastic Book Fair in the library – 2:45-3:30pm
Tuesday 29	Scholastic Book Fair in the library – 2:45-3:30pm
Wednesday 30	Scholastic Book Fair in the library – 2:45-3:30pm
Thursday 31	PAC Hot Lunch – Sushi Lovers - <i>pre-orders only</i> Happy Halloween! Trick or Treat Others with Respect Diwali – Festival of Lights
Friday November 1	Diwali – Festival of Lights Pajama Day Donut Fundraiser Pick up – 2:30-3pm

Please join us in welcoming two members to our Bridge Staff:



Mr. Andrew Abad will be our new evening custodian from 3-8pm working alongside Mr. Youngmo Choi.

Ms. Julie Tye is our new Inclusive Support Teacher. Welcome to Bridge!



Parent Education Sessions

2024/25 School Year

The Richmond School District is excited to offer the following parent education sessions during the 2024/25 school year:

- **Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying**
- **Cellphones: What's Healthy, What's Not, and What We Can Do to Support Our Kids**
- **Reclaiming Play: Revitalizing Childhood to Combat Anxiety and Aggression**
- **Cybersafe from Exploitation**

These virtual sessions are open to all parents in the Richmond School District and will provide practical strategies, expert insights, and tools to support your child's well-being in the digital age. Please see the link below for detailed descriptions of each session and registration information. We look forward to your participation!

<https://sd38.bc.ca/news/2024-10-16/parent-education-sessions>



Dear Parents and Families:

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair. This event is an opportunity for students of all ages to build their home libraries and further their love of reading. As always, all purchases benefit our school.

The Book Fair will take place from **Monday, October 28th through Wednesday, October 30th.**

Students will have an opportunity to visit the bookfair with their classes and if they choose to make purchases or create wishlists to share with their families. They will also have an opportunity to see available books and make requests for our school library.

Families are welcome to visit the Book Fair after school on Monday October 28th from 2:45 – 3:30; Tuesday, October 29th from 2:45– 3:30; and Wednesday, October 30th from 2:45 – 3:30.

We need parent volunteers to help make this event run smoothly and successfully! If you are able to volunteer at the Book Fair, please email Mrs. Sugiarto at csugiarto@sd38.bc.ca with the times and days you are available.

**Cash, Debit and Credit Cards are accepted for in person purchases*

Happy Reading,
Mrs. Sugiarto

“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*)



Diwali – October 31st – November 1st

A festival of lights and one of the major festivals celebrated by Hindus, Buddhists, Jains, and Sikhs. The festival usually lasts five days and is celebrated during the Hindu lunisolar month Kartika (between mid-October and mid-November).

To learn more, please visit:

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/pages/article/diwali>



SAVE THE DATE!

Monday, November 4	Photo Retakes
Thursday, November 7	PAC Hot Lunch - pre-orders only
Friday, November 8	Remembrance Day Assembly
Monday, November 11	Remembrance Day – Schools Closed
Thursday, November 14	PAC Hot Lunch - pre-orders only
Thursday, November 21	PAC Hot Lunch - pre-orders only
Friday, November 22	Pajama Dance Party – 6-8pm (PAC event)
Monday, November 25	Pro-D Day – No School for Students
Wed., November 27	Grades 6 and 7 Immunizations
Thursday, November 29	PAC Hot Lunch - pre-orders only
Thursday, December 5	PAC Hot Lunch - pre-orders only
Thursday, December 12	PAC Hot Lunch - pre-orders only
Thursday, December 19	PAC Hot Lunch - pre-orders only
Thursday, December 19	Written Learning Update #1
Friday, December 20	The last day of school before the winter break
December 21 – January 5	Winter Break
Monday, January 6	Back to school after the winter break



Instagram

Bridge has an Instagram Account
Request to follow us at:
bridgebulldogs2024



Early Learning for Families Events

Do you have a 0-5 year old child?

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.

Event Date & Time	Theme	Elementary School	Address	Special Guest
November 22, 2024 9:30am - 11:00am	Arts: Create & Imagine	Tomsett Elementary	9671 Odlin Rd, Richmond BC	Kellie Haines
January 22, 2025 9:30am - 11:00am	Early Learning Event	Hamilton Elementary	5180 Smith Dr, Richmond BC	Will's Jams
February 12, 2025 1:00pm - 2:30pm	Literacy & Numeracy: Play & Learn	Garden City Elementary	8311 Garden City Rd, Richmond BC	Will's Jams
April 8, 2025 4:00pm - 5:30pm	Outdoor Event: Build & Grow	Homma Elementary	5100 Brunswick Dr, Richmond BC	Sand Northrup

Special Guests



Kellie Haines
Ventriloquist



Will's Jams
Musician



Sand Northrup
One Woman Circus



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Caregiver Info Sessions

Join us for a series of virtual Caregiver Information Sessions designed specifically for parents of children aged 0-5. These sessions aim to provide valuable insights, practical tips, and supportive resources to help you navigate the early years of parenting in the areas of supporting literacy, numeracy, the importance of play and in preparing for kindergarten. Our SD38 Early Learning Program is committed to supporting you in creating nurturing and enriching environments for your child’s growth and development.

Early Literacy at Home

October 17, 2024
(6:00pm - 7:00pm)



Lisa Schwartz
Early Learning Administrator &
DeBeck Elementary Principal
SD38 Presenter

Early Numeracy at Home

January 29, 2025
(6:00pm - 7:00pm)



Janice Novakowski
Teacher Consultant
(Mathematics & Numeracy)
SD38 Presenter

The Importance of Outdoor Play

March 4, 2025
(6:00pm - 7:00pm)



Megan Zeni
Teacher Consultant (Early Learning
& K-7 Curriculum Implementation)
SD38 Presenter

[Register now!](#)



Starting Kindergarten

June 10, 2025 (1:00pm)
June 10, 2025 (6:00pm)

SD38 Early Learning Team

Registration for this event will be communicated at a later date.



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