

<u>Asian Heritage Month</u>: A month dedicated to recognize and honour the many contributions of people of Asian ethnicity to B.C. and Canada's rich cultural society.

<u>Canadian Jewish Heritage Month</u>: A month to celebrate the richness of Jewish culture, heritage, and history in Canada.

Speech and Hearing Month: A month to shine a spotlight on communication health and the life- changing work of speech and language pathologists and audiologists.

| Monday 5 | Hub Bike Program – Divisions 6, 7, 17, 18 |
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| Tuesday 6 | Hub Bike Program – Divisions 6, 7, 17, 18 |
| Wednesday 7 | Hub Bike Program – Divisions 6, 7, 17, 18 |
| Thursday | Safety Drill |
| 8 | Here 4 Peers – Mental Health Workshop presented by McRoberts for our Grade 7 students PAC Hot Lunch – Subway – Pre-orders only |
| Friday 9 | PAC Freezie Friday @2:45pm - \$2 |



Our Dearest Bridge Community,

We are heartbroken and devastated by the tragic incident that took place in Vancouver last weekend at the Lapu Lapu Day Festival.

We are a family at Bridge and we are here to support our students, staff and the community. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you need help or a shoulder to lean on.

Statement from the Board of Education

The Richmond Board of Education shares our heartfelt condolences with everyone affected by the tragic events at the Lapu-Lapu Day Festival in Vancouver.

We recognize that this event will be deeply felt by members of our Filipino community, including students, staff and families. Understanding the impact this may have across our schools, the Richmond School District is committed to providing support to all who may need it.

During difficult times, our strength is reflected in the care we extend to one another. By being there for each other, we uphold the values of empathy, understanding and mutual support that sustain our community.

Sincerely, Ken Hamaguchi, Chairperson On Behalf of the Board of Education (Richmond)

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Staffing Update:

We would like to thank our Admin Assistant, **Mrs. Rossignol**, for her hard work, patience and the kindness she showed to students and staff this year. Mrs. Rossignol was on a temporary assignment working on Tuesdays



but we hope to see her back at Bridge from time to time. Remember, **"Once a Bulldog, Always a Bulldog!"**



Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Wilkinson to our Bridge family. Mrs. Wilkinson will be working alongside Mrs. Menzies and Mrs. Henniger in our office on Tuesdays. We're glad to have you here!

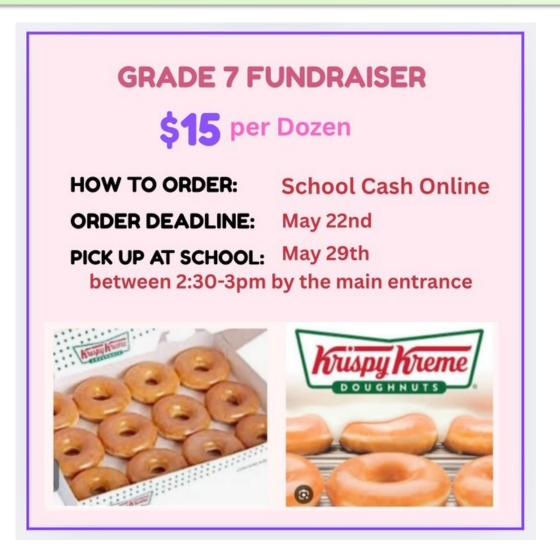


We are excited to have four of our classes participating in the HUB Bike Program starting this week to learn about bicycle and road safety. Thank you for all of the support the Bridge Community has shown for our **PAC fundraisers** so far this year. We are grateful for the time and effort the **PAC** and these volunteers have contributed to helping reduce the cost of our Grade 7 Outdoor Education (Camp) coming up in June, as well as the additional learning resources and programs they have been able to fund at Bridge. **If you would like to help out**,



please contact the PAC at williambridgepac@gmail.com

Our next PAC Meeting will be our AGM on Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00pm via Teams. We hope you can join us!





May is Asian Heritage Month

Asian Heritage Month is an opportunity for us to learn more about the diverse culture and history of Asian communities in Canada, as well as to acknowledge the many achievements and contributions of people of Asian origin who, throughout our history, have done so much to make Canada the country we know and love.

For more information, please visit: https://www.canada.ca/en/canadianheritage/campaigns/asian-heritage-month.html



May is Speech & Hearing Month in Canada!

May is Speech & Hearing Month, a time to shine a spotlight on communication health and the life-changing work of S-LPs and audiologists. This year's theme, 'S-LPs & Audiologists: Doing More Than You Think', highlights the vital yet often overlooked role of S-LPs and audiologists.

What is Communication Health?

Many of us take communication for granted, but speaking, hearing, and being understood are essential to daily life. For those with communication challenges, even simple interactions can be difficult—impacting work, education, relationships, and overall wellbeing.

May is Canadian Jewish Heritage Month



May is **Canadian Jewish Heritage Month**, a time to celebrate the richness of Jewish culture, heritage, and history in Canada.

Canada is home to the fourth largest Jewish community in the world. Jewish Canadian leaders are active in all parts of society and have helped shape the diversity found within it. Canadian Jewish Heritage Month provides an opportunity to celebrate Jewish communities from coast to coast to coast for their valuable contributions in building a more open, diverse, and consciously more inclusive Canada for all.

For more information, please visit: <u>https://jewishheritage.ca/</u>

May 5th is Red Dress Day

Red Dress Day, also known as the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Two-Spirit People, is observed on May 5th. The day honours and brings awareness to the thousands of Indigenous women, girls and two-spirit people who have been subject to disproportionate violence in Canada. Red Dress Day was inspired by Métis artist Jaime Black's "RED Dress Project" installation, in which she hung empty, red dresses to

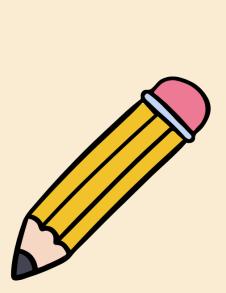


represent the missing and murdered women. Red dresses have become symbolic of the crisis as a result of her installation.



12 Track and Field Meet @Minoru (Grades 4-7)
14 Safety Drill
16 Non Instructional Day
19 Victoria Day - School Closed
20 PAC Meeting via Teams
21 Welcome to Kindergarten event
22 Krispy Kreme Order deadline
26 30 Toonie Talent Show
29 Krispy Kreme Pick up
between 2:30-3:00pm 2-4 Camp IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

June



2-4 Camp Jubilee Outdoor Ed for Grade 7 students
3 Immunizations Kindergarten & Grade 6
6 Safety Drill
13 Sports Day
17 PAC Meeting via Teams (if needed)
20 Grade 7 Farewell Assembly
24 South Arm Pool Day
26 Year end assembly, Reports published, Last Day Students have been reflecting on how they can help the earth. Thank you for: riding your bike to school, turning off the lights, reducing, reusing and recycling!

