

## Kingswood Eagles News



Acknowledgement of Territory:

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the Həńqəmińəm
(Hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we
teach, learn, and live.



Welcome to
Kindergarten
Event at
Kingswood,
Thursday,
June 2, 10:0011:00 am



Track Meet at Minoru Park on Tuesday, May 17 for students in Grades 4-7 **New Events:** 

May 25: Division 1 to Aquarium

May 26: McNair Band at Kingswood



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## **Health and Safety Reminders**

# Mandatory Daily Health Declaration

Before coming to school, staff and students need to perform the **Mandatory Daily Health Check**. Parents, if your child answers "**YES**" to any of the questions, they are asked NOT to come to school.

If you feel sick DO NOT come to school. Please stay home until you are **symptom free for 24 hours** – please note any cold symptoms should also keep you at home.

Families can complete the Daily Health Check by clicking here(link is external) or by scanning the QR code below.

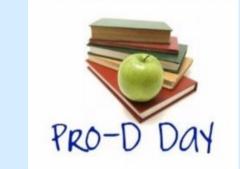
https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en



### QR Code for Daily Health Check



### Reminder:



Friday, May 20 is a Pro-D Day



## **Kingswood Week Ahead**

May 9

May 10 Track Notices Home **May 11** 

**May 12** 

Green Thumbs
Sale After
School, at front
door

May 13
Track
Notices
Due Back





Congratulations to our Basketball Teams for a Fun, Competitive, and Active Basketball Season!

Special Thanks to our coaches, Sam Sangha, Jessy Dhillon, Ms. Arnsdorf, and Ms. Lougheed!

What a great way to end the season at our game at McNair this week! Thank you also to parents for supporting their children tthrough this season!



### Kingswood Track Attack is a Go!



Track Meet at Minoru on May 17

### Track Update

Permission Forms Will Go
Home on Tuesday, May
10. Please ensure forms
are completed and
brought back to school
by Friday, May 13 at the
latest.



#### Track Attack and Track Meet Update

We are excited to continue planning for our Track Meet at Minoru on Tuesday, May 17. Please note, important information will be shared with your shortly, including a timeline of events. Your child(ren) will finish events at various times of the day and will call you when their events are done so that you may pick your child up from Minoru before the end of the day. It's crucial that you/whoever is picking up your child comes to sign them out with assigned staff at Minoru.



#### **News from the Library: Graphic Novels**

#### "Get a Real Book"

#### **Dear families**

As you have noticed, graphic novels are extremely popular books these days. Some of you may have concerns about your child's reading. The following articles may help.

**Washington Post** 

Parents.com

Reading variety is important however, keep in mind that the joy of reading will create lifelong learners. Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns.

Happy Reading
Ms Lau



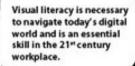
## GRAPHIC NOVELS ARE REAL BOOKS

IOWA CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

> the benefits of reading graphic novels include:

### VISUAL LITERACY

the ability to interpret information presented in the form of an image



### BRAIN DEVELOPMENT

building neural pathways

Taking in both image and text at one and synthesizing them to determine meaning uses both sides of the brain and develops neural connections that reading text alone does not. The reading process is deeper and more complex.

### VERBAL LITERACY

#### development of language & communication skills

Research shows that viewing pictures along with a story activates the language center of the brain more than just reading does, and images help readers infer the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Sequential art helps students develop linear thinking skills.

### **MOTIVATION**

enthusiasm creates readers

A Scholastic Corp. study found that middle and high school students who are given the opportunity to choose the books they read are more likely to develop the habit of reading for fun.



### **Kingswood Green Thumbs Plant Sale!**

## "Green Thumbs" Plant and Seed Sale on May 12, 2022

Our gardening group, the "Green Thumbs" is made up of students interested in working in the school garden, along with sponsor staff, Ms. Lougheed, Ms. Arnsdorf, and Mr. Kelm. In order to support the Outdoor Learning Space, they will be having a plant and seed sale on May 12, after school, near the front entrance. Come take a look at the seed packages and seedlings they have put together for this sale!







# May is Asian Heritage Month and Canadian Jewish Heritage Month

This year's theme, Recognition, Resilience, and Resolve, embodies pan-Asian diversity and the invaluable achievements of communities of Asian descent in all parts of Canadian society. It also acknowledges their resilience and perseverance in continuing to overcome adversity through Canada's history. During Asian Heritage Month, we honor the significant contributions that Canadians of Asian descent have made, and continue to make, in shaping our society from coast to coast to coast. This month also provides a unique opportunity to learn more about the vast diversity of Asian cultures, languages, cuisine, arts, and more.







### **Kingswood Class Placements**

#### **Understanding Combined Classes**

It's the time of year when the staff begins to look at building classes for next year. Staff work very hard to ensure that all students are successful. Often, the philosophy behind combined classes is misunderstood by parents. Children who are placed in the upper grade of a combined class are not placed there because they struggle in school. In a combined grade 4 and 5 class, we do our very best to ensure that for each grade, we have students who encompass a range of learning styles and abilities. We do not place all of our strongest grade 5 learners into a grade 5/6 when a grade 4/5 classroom is also available.

Teachers are trained to provide instruction to diverse classes of students, looking at children as individuals, and providing individual educational plans where warranted for students who are slower or faster to develop. Combined classes offer enhanced opportunities for all students to demonstrate confidence, positive self-concept, and a strong sense of belonging. Combined classes can help students form broader and more varied friendships as older students provide role models for younger students. Sometimes the teacher/student relationship can be enhanced if the same teacher teaches a student for more than one year, leading to increased feelings of security for returning students and a smoother transition in September because the teacher already knows their learning styles and needs well. Teachers in combined classes, like those in straight grades, follow the curriculum requirements defined by the Ministry of Education.

Parent Input – Class Placements. Each year at this time, we begin to make school organization plans for September based upon the number of students we know are returning and new registrations that we have received. Before school ends in June, your child's current classroom teacher, resource teacher, educational



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assistants and administrators will work together to place students for the upcoming school year. These plans are tentative until the first week in September when final student numbers are known. In the first few days of September, all staff meets to confirm teaching assignments and review student placements. In the organizational meetings, many factors are considered when placing students.

These considerations include:

- •learning styles and strengths
- work habits
- social/personal characteristics
- gender balance
- exceptional needs
- friendship groups
- •ELL levels
- contractual obligations
- age and physical maturity

If you would like the opportunity to provide the school with information about your child's placement for next year, you are welcome to complete a Parent Input form by Friday, May 27th, 2022. Please email Ms. Bahd at bbahd@sd38.bc.ca to request an input form – electronic copy. The information you provide should not include a request for a specific teacher but rather, some important personal or educational information that will assist us in our decision. Students who work well together or recent/ongoing conflict with other children would be helpful in placing students. With limited placement possibilities, input can be considered but never guaranteed. All information provided will be shared with the teacher(s) and taken into consideration. Please be aware the final decision regarding placement will be a school based decision. Accepting input after the Friday, May 27th is often problematic, as each child placed into a classroom is an important part of the structure that helps create a positive learning environment for all children placed. Like a house of cards, pulling one from the pile often impacts others and we would like to avoid this scenario.



### Jeans Day at Kingswood is on May 19

Our student leadership group is organizing a coin drive leading up to Jeans Day on May 19. Look for more information to come home shortly, and start saving your coins!







### **Kingswood Dates to Note:**

May 12	Green Thumbs Sale after school		
May 13	Grades 4-7 Track Notices to be returned by this date		
May 15	Watersafe Course at Watermania for Grades 6/7 going to Camp Jubilee		
May 17	Track Meet at Minoru for Grades 4-7		
May 19	Pizza Day/Jeans Day		
May 19	PAC Plants Fundraiser Pick Up in School Gym, 2:30-3:45		
May 20	Professional Development Dayno school		
May 23	Victoria Day Holiday		
May 25	Division 1 Field Trip to Aquarium		
May 26	McNair Senior Band Performs at Kingswood!		



### **Kingswood Dates to Note:**

May 27	Grade 7 Orientation at McNair all morning	
<b>May 27</b>	Recognition Assembly, PM	
May 28	Watersafe Course at Watermania for Grade 6/7s going to Camp Jubilee	
June 2	Welcome to Kindergarten Event, 10:00 am	
June 10	Sports Day, 1:15 pm dismissal	
June 20	Grade 6/7 students to Camp Jubilee	
June 23	Grade 7 Field Trip to Playland	
June 24	Farewell Assembly, PM	
June 29	Grade 7 Farewell Assembly in morning	
June 29	Report Cards go home	
June 29	Last Day of School for students	



### **Kingswood Information for Families**



Continuing Education 7811 Granville Avenue, Richmond BC V6Y3E3 Phone: (604)668-6123 Email: RCE@sd38.bc.ca

February 16, 2022

#### **Summer Learning 2022**

Summer 2022 is shaping up to be another exciting season of learning! There will be many courses and camps to choose from.

- Students who enroll in Elementary Enrichment, Exploration, Fine Arts or Innovation may take only ONE COURSE
- Students who enroll in Academic Full Credit, Academic Completion or Secondary Enrichment may take in ONE or MORE courses.
- All international students with valid BC Study Permits will be charged tuition fees and may take one or more courses.
- · Students may enroll in ONE or MORE fee paying summer camps.
- MORE DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN MID-APRIL.

At this time, most Summer Learning 2022 courses and camps will be taught in-person, with students attending all classes with health and safety protocols in place. If conditions change, the delivery model may need to be adapted.



#### ELEMENTARY ENRICHMENT (Grade 1-7, non-credit)

These non-credit BC Ministry of Education courses include Core Competencies, Big Ideas and Curricular Competencies along with Aboriginal perspectives and knowledge. These courses will NOT cover the entire scope of a full course. Students will review or get ready for September through learner-centered and engaging activities. This program is funded through the BC Ministry of Education: English Language Arts, ELL (Beginners ELL 1 & 2), French, Math-Science & Music.

- Tuesday, July 5, 2022 → Friday, July 29, 2022
- · Registration starts online: Monday, April 25, 2022

Block	Elementary Enrichment, Grades 1-7	
Block One	8:25 am - 10:35 am	
Block Two	11:00 am - 1:10 pm	
Block Three	1:35 pm - 3:45 pm	

MORE DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN MID-APRIL: www.RichmondCE.ca

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Kingswood Band Concert June 16, Div. 1, 2, 3

1:30 pm and 6:00 pm LOOK!

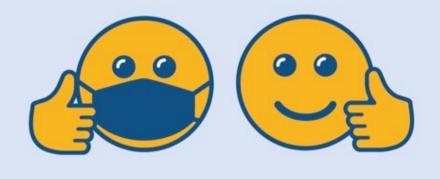
Div. 5
Fine Arts
Performance
June 22
1:30 pm
and 6:00 pm





### **Kingswood Information for Families**





Wearing a mask is a personal choice.

Let's all continue to be kind to one another.