"Home of the Kingswood Eagles!"



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.

October 2-6, 2023

Monday, October 2

Tuesday,
October 3

Wednesday,
October 4

Thursday,
October 5

Friday, October 6



Observance of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Sept.30) No School Today 3

Kingswood's
Dance Team
Practise,
lunchtime, with
Ms. Chen



Volleyball
Practise 3:00
with Mr. Tang
and Ms. Arnsdorf

Parent Online

Session, about
Communiccating
Student
Learning/Reporting

6:00 pm

Pizza Day!

Please email our PAC chairperson at devindergill@hotmai l.com if you are able to help!





October 17 and 18--dismissal at 1:45 pm for Parent-Teacher Conferences/Learning Updates.
Provincial Pro-D day on October 20

Reminder:

Kindly please report any absences, lates, early dismissals, etc. to

Early Warning Line at (604) 668-6220

Please include your child's name, Division, why they will be away and for how long. Thank you.

Orange Shirt Day

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2023







Orange Shirt Day at Kingswood was a day in recognition of not only Phyllis Webstad and the Orange Shirt Day story, but it was also a day learning about a dark period in Canada's history of its treament of Indigenous peoples. Today, we began with a schoolwide assembly where we talked about Land Acknowledgements, and of their importance and what "unceded" means. We also watched a video and talked about what the term "Indigenous" means, we talked about residential schools, what Truth and Reconciliation means and what we all can do to work to support the path to Truth and Reconciliation.

After our assembly, the school gathered in a circle of peace and had a moment of silence to remember those children who were placed in residential schools/taken away from their families, and to honour those who never got to return home. We then continued this moment of silence to also think and hope about what acts we can take towards Truth and Reconciliation.

As always, the children did an amazing job of being a respectful and engaged learning community, and I hope that they share some of their learning with you at home this weekend. If you're around the school, I encourage you to take a look at the painted wooden hearts the children affixed to the front school fence today, in recognition of both Orange Shirt Day and for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation tomorrow, September 30. A reminder that, in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, which falls on a Saturday---that there is no school on Monday, October 2.

Kingswood's Bell Schedule

8:45 Instructional Time Begins

10:10 Morning/Recess Break

10:25 Instructional Time Resumes

11:50 Outdoor Lunch Break (Play First)

12:20 Lunch Break (students return to classes to eat lunch)

12:42 Instructional Time Resumes

2:45 Dismissal



Parking Lot Reminders



We continue to have issues with cars parking in our drop off lane and also with double parking. As I sent home in a separate email last week—we truly need everyone's efforts in the parking lot this year. Please be reminded of the parking guidelines listed below. Thanks in advance for being part of our solution!

We have a VERY busy parking lot - both in the morning and after school.

Tips to help keep students SAFE!

- 1) Please walk to school with your child if you live close by
- 2) The drop off lane is not for parking please drop off your child and go, making room for others. If you must stop in the loop, please DO NOT leave your vehicle unattended—this impacts other drivers, as well as our two school buses.
- 4) If you are a kindergarten parent or need to drop your child off at their classroom door, please park in our visitor lot or near the school and walk
- 5. ALWAYS keep your vehicle speed at a very LOW speed in our entire parking loop.
- 6. DOUBLE PARKING IS DANGEROUS. Please do not stop beside a car that is already parked in the drop off lane or a car parked in the parking lot—this impacts other drivers being able to leave, including some staff who may have to leave right after dismissal.

KEV/Cash Online This Year

In an effort to streamline accounting and to make it easier for families, we are encouraging all families to register for KEV/Cash OnLine for payments this year. Most families were able to do payments to the school online last year, and we are really hoping not to have to collect monies/cheques at school. If you are finding it difficult to register, please make an appointment with Mrs. McCallum, and she will be happy to assist you with set-up. The directions for registering follow and were also sent out as a paper notice to you with the start of year student notice packages sent home to you last week.



The link to KEV/Cash Online can be found on your school website:

www.kingswood.ad28.bc.ca



If you are having difficulties with registering or paying for items, you can also contact their help line at:
1-866-961-1803 (24 hrs/day, 7 days per week)

District Elementary Cross Country Run Garry Point Park, October 17, 2023

Attention Kingswood runners! We are pleased to let you know that the date and times for the District Elemenetary Cross Country Fun Run is confimed and it will be on Tuesday, October 17, 2023.

This event has been a long Richmond tradition, and hundreds of students from across our district will participate. If your child would like to participate in this event, they will need to let Ms. Bahd know in the office, and then I will send home a consent form that needs to be signed and returned to the office in advance of this date.

Please note that, although I will be the sponsor for this event, children must be driven to/from the event, and supervised by their parent(s). More information about times of the races and distances to be run are listed below:

Race Times (**Correction---If parents would like their Kindergarten child to run, they would join the Grade 1 students running**)

Grade 1: 3:30 pm Grade 2: 3:35 pm Grade 3: 3:40 pm Grade 4: 3:45 pm Grade 5: 3:50 pm Grade 6: 3:55 pm Grade 7: 4:00 pm

Race Distances:

Grades 1, 2, 3: 900 m Grades 4 and 5: 1300 m Grades 6 and 7: 1600 m



Reporting Changes-Information Webinar for Families

The Richmond School District will be providing an overview of the new changes to reporting and what you can expect from your child's school in communicating student learning over the course of the school year. Please join us October 5, 2023 at 6:00pm via the webinar link below:

Communicating Student Learning: Information for Parents and Caregivers

Oct 5, 2023, 6:00 PM Zoom link:https://sd38.zoom.us/j/69679113837 Webinar ID: 696 7911 3837 Passcode: 2023



Family
Affordability
Fund



The Student and Family Affordability Fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. The additional funding will also be used to support school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students.

We request that families reach out to Ms. Bahd if you need assistance with school supplies, fees or other school-related costs. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

Kingswood Daily Reminders

Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Calendar for October

24...... Dussehra 🕉



October is...

German Heritage Month Canadian Islamic Month Community Inclusion Month Latin American Heritage Month Women's History Month

Daily Health

SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL

We appreciate your support in keeping your child home when they are not feeling well. Students should not come to school when they are sick.

If your child is not feeling well please continue to keep them home until their symptoms have resolved. If you know your child will be absent for a range of days, please leave that information as well.

Staying home when sick helps keep our entire school community healthy including teachers, admin staff and students. Please do your part and stay home when sick.







Dress for the Weather

At Kingswood, our students go outside each day for both their recess and outside lunch breaks. Several of our classes also go outside for learning in our Kingswood outdoor learning space. Time spent outside is important for student's health and well being. Please ensure that your child is dressed properly for the weather---rain or shine! For our vounger students, this may include an extra change of clothing to be kept at school. Several of our primary classes ask students to leave a pair of indoor shoes at school as well. For all students, once the rainy weather comes along--from grades K-7--if they are wearing boots to school-they NEED to have a pair of shoes to change into for times inside the school. Thank you.





Kingswood Reminders/Dates

Upcoming Dates to Note/Looking Ahead:

- October 2: Observance of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation: No School this Day
- October 6: first PAC Pizza Day
- October 9: Thanksgiving Day Holiday
- October 10: PAC meeting, 6:15 pm
- October 10-13: Scholastic Book Fair
- •October 17 and 18: Early Dismissal at 1:45 pm for Parent-Teacher Learning Updates
- •October 19: PAC Pizza Day
- •October 20: Provincial Pro-D day--students do not attend
- October 27: Recognition Assembly, 1:30 pm
- October 27: PAC Family movie night
- October 31: Halloween and School Wide Activities





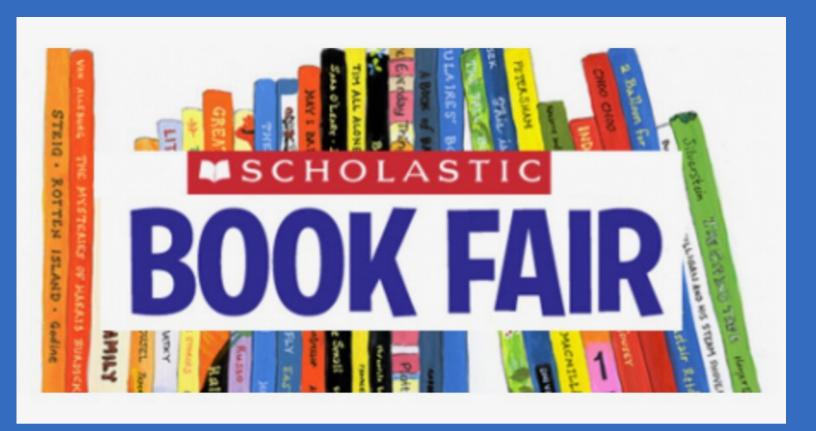


PAC Upcoming Events and How You Can Help!

ISometimes, for PAC or school events, we only require parents to help out for short amounts of time, i.e. for our upcoming Hot Lunch dates on October 6 and 19, or perhaps helping to receive and distribute items for PAC fundraisers (i.e. the holiday poinsettias in December). These don't require huge amounts of time, and we always appreciate the support. So we encourage you to continue coming out to help when you can, and this also helps build connections with others parents/families. Upcoming events when we could use your help include:

- October 6 and 19, Pizza Days: help required from 12:00-12:30
- October 27: PAC Movie Night (short bursts of time from 5:00 onwards, can take shifts with other parents until movie night ends typically at 8:00ish





Scholastic Book Fair at Kingswood, October 10-13
in the Learning Lab
Open before school, 8:00-8:40 am and after school, 2:454:00 pm

Thank you to Ms. Lau for organizing this popular Book Fair once again!







Community Services Pop Ups Get Connected!

Drop by our **free monthly pop ups** and meet local service organizations who can help connect you to all kinds of resources, all in one place:



Affordable rental housing information



Navigating health care and benefit systems

Digital literacy supports



Newcomer supports





Family-based programs and services



Employment supports

Plus connections to community food supports and other community programs and assistance.

Second Thursday of every month 3:00 - 5:00 pm



Brighouse Library, 100-7700 Minoru Gate

For more information, please visit: www.richmond.ca/culture/social/accessibility/resources





HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.

Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.



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