

" Home of the Kingswood Eagles!"



Kingswood Eagles News

Acknowledgement of Territory:

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



December 4-8, 2023

Monday, December 4	Tuesday, December 5	Wednesday, December 6	Thursday, December 7	Friday, December 8
Grades 5, 6, 7 Girls Basketball at Lunch		Kingswood's Dance Team Practise, lunchtime	December 7-15 Hannukah 	Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Ice Skating at Minoru, AM Breakfast Club 8:00



DON'T FORGET



Reminder:

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

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.

Last Day of School Before Winter Break is December 22. School re-opens on January 8, 2024!





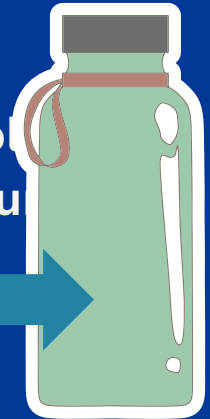
REMINDER

Lunchtime Reminder:



We have several students who come regularly to the school office for cutlery for their school lunches--we kindly ask you to include cutlery with your child's lunch if they require this to be able to eat their lunches.

Also, we continue to ask that students come to school with a refillable water bottle that they can fill up at our water filling stations throughout the day.



REMEMBER!

Breakfast Club



Gratitude!



A reminder that Breakfast Club takes place each Friday morning beginning at 8:40 am.

***No Breakfast Club on Friday, December 22 due to the schoolwide pancake breakfast**

November 15, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Richmond School District is implementing a new communication tool that will enable both the district and your child's school to send you text messages. This is being implemented to improve the ability to deliver time-sensitive information to you, including emergency notifications.

Given the significance of this communication tool, we strongly encourage you to opt-in for this service.

You can choose to opt-in by texting 978338 with a Yes. Please complete this action before November 30, 2023.

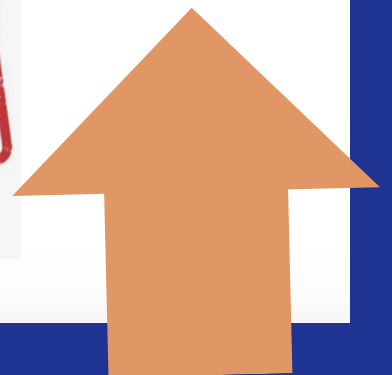
**To opt-in, please send a text message with a
Y or YES to 978338**



Once you have opted in, you should receive a confirmation text message from School Messenger. School Messenger is fully compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge, ensuring the safety and confidentiality of your information. Your data will never be shared or sold to any third party.

Thank you for staying connected with us through this new communication tool.

PLEASE READ



Frequently Asked Questions

How do I “opt-in” to receive text messages?

- Ensure your child’s school has your cell number listed within MyEducation BC.
- Text **Y** to **978338** from each wireless device you wish to receive texts on.

How do I “opt-out” of receiving text messages?

- Recipients not wishing to receive text messages to a particular number can simply do one of the following:
 - Do not opt-in and do not reply to the opt-in invitation message.
 - Text **STOP** to **978338** at any time.
 - Opt-out online at <http://schoolmessenger.com/txtmsg>.

I “opted-in”, but I am not receiving texts?

- Ensure that your child’s school has your correct cell phone number in the MyEducation BC Student Information System. It may take 24 hours for a number to become active after being changed or added.
- Send a text with **Y**, from that specific device to **978338**. You should receive an opt-in confirmation message from the service.
- To receive texts on multiple devices, each device number must complete the opt-in process.

Will I be charged for the text messages I receive?

- School Messenger does not charge recipients for text messages they receive or send, if using a Canada-based phone number; however, wireless providers may charge for individual text messages, depending on the plan associated with the wireless device. Please consult your carrier if you are uncertain if you have a text messaging plan.





Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Calendar for December

Dec 07-15.....Hannukah

Dec 25.....Christmas

Dec. 8

Dec 26-Jan 01.....Kwanzaa

Bodhi Day

Hannukah, or the Festival of Rededication, celebrates the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem after its defilement by the Syrian Greeks in 164 BCE. Although it is a late addition to the Jewish liturgical calendar, the eight-day festival of Hanukkah has become a beloved and joyous holiday. It is also known as the Festival of Lights and usually takes place in December, at the time of year when the days are shortest in the northern hemisphere.



Bodhi Day celebrates the day the "Historic Buddha", aka Siddhartha Gautama, Sakyamuni Buddha, achieved enlightenment.

Kingswood PAC's Movie Night

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15. DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM,
MOVIE STARTS AT 6:00 PM**



Parents, please note that adults must accompany their children and stay with them at movie night.

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.

Kingswood Daily Reminders

Reminder and Thank You:



Thank you for continuing to send your children to school with water bottles. A friendly reminder that Kingswood is a “no pop” school.



Daily Health Check

SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?

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.

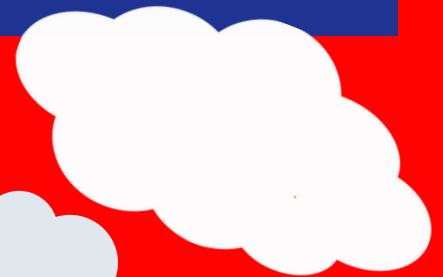
If your child is not feeling well please continue to keep them home until their symptoms have resolved. If you know your child will be absent for a range of days, please leave that information as well.

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 younger 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:

- December 7-15: Hannukah
- December 8: Poinsettias Pick Up
- December 11: Purdys Pick Up
- December 13: Pizza Day
- December 15: PAC Movie Night
- December 20: Pizza Day
- December 21: Report Cards Go Home
- December 22: Last day of School Before Winter Break
- December 29: Start of Kwanzaa
- January 8: School re-opens

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THE
Date

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TO ALL
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DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT

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...

- 1 Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2 Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3 Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4 Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5 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.
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Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct
is available online at:
sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct



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