"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.

January 22-26, 2024

Monday, January 22 Tuesday, January 23 Wednesday,
January 24

Thursday, January 25 Friday, January 26

Grade 5/6/7 Girls Open Gym--Basketball



R.E.A.G.L.E.S.

Student Leadership Meeting at lunchtime

Girls Basketball
Practise 7:45 am

McNair
Presentation to
Grade 7s, 1:30
pm



Kingswood's Dance Team Practise

Sushi Lovers Lunch
Day



Parent Camp
Meeting for
Grades 6/7
online 6:000m

Boys Basketball Practise at lunchtime

Girls
Basketball
Practise after
school



Pro-D Day—No School Today

DON'T FORGET

Friday, January 26th is our next Professional Development Day--students do not attend on this day

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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS



PAC Meeting, January 23, 6:15 pm

Online or in-Person

Our next PAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 23 at 6:15 pm. This is a great way to meet other parents, find out what's going on at the school, ask questions, and hear about upcoming PAC projects and initiatives. Please see the link below if you'd like to join us through Teams:



Microsoft Teams meeting
Join on your computer or mobile app
<u>Click here to join the meeting</u>

Learn More | Meeting options

Outdoor Education Meeting for Grades 6 and 7 Parents
Online Via Teams
Wednesday, January 24, 6:15 pm



Please come join us to hear more about our planned trip to Camp Elphinstone for Outdoor Education! There will be a presentation from Camp Elphinstone staff, and a chance to ask the camp staff and Ms. Bahd questions. (We will hopefully be able to record it for any parent unable to attend at this time/date).



A new link will be sent out to families shortly, once it is received from Camp Elphinstone.



Lunchtime Reminder:

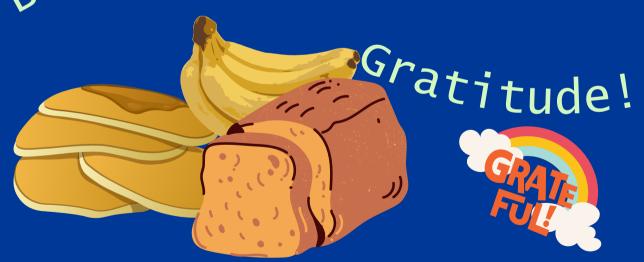


We have several students who come regularly to the school office for cutlery for their school lunches--we kindly ask you to include cutlery with your child's lunch if they require this to be able to eat their lunches.

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

Breakfast C746





A reminder that Breakfast Club usually takes place each Friday morning beginning at 8:00 am.

However, due to Friday, January 26's Pro D Day, Breakfast Club will take place on Thursday, January 25.



Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Calendar for January

January 21: Lincoln Alexander Day

January 24: World Day for African and Afrodescendant

Culture

January 25: Mahayna New Year

January 27: International Holocaust Remembrance Day

January 21 is Lincoln Alexander
Day. The Honourable Lincoln
Alexander was a pioneer in the
fight for racial equity in Canada.
Since 2015, the Government of
Canada has recognized
Alexander's legacy. A legacy
marked by many firsts for the Black
community in Canada:

- the first Black Member of Parliament in the House of Commons
- the first Black Federal Minister
- the first Black Chair of the Worker's Compensation Board of Ontario

"It is not your duty to be average. It is your duty to set a higher example for others to follow." -Lincoln Alexander Mahayana New Year is when Mahayana Buddhists celebrate the New Year.
Mahayana Buddhists believe that Buddhist practitioners can achieve enlightenment, also known as everlasting nirvana, at any point in their lives.

January 27th is International
Holocaust Remembrance Day,
dedicated to remembering and
honouring the millions of live taken
and impacted by the Holocaust.

Get REDI

Reconciliation, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion with Richmond School District

A webinar series on Zoom for parents and caregivers to understand and support SD38 initiatives around inclusion and belonging.

This initial 60-minute session is designed to help you understand the district's commitment to reconciliation, equity, diversity and inclusion, and the values and language that inform our practices in schools. The facilitator, Destine Lord,



will draw on the district's strategic plan to drive the conversation and make connections between the plan, the district's vision, and introductory concepts of anti-oppression. By building the language, you can help support your learner as they move between home and school and back again. There will be opportunities with future sessions to further explore REDI concepts.



Destine Lord (she/her) is a consultant and facilitator actively working towards the elimination of racism in Canada. For the last 15 years, she has worked in both the private and public sectors, facilitating workshops and training sessions related to anti-racism.

change management, and reconciliation. As a Black Canadian, Destine can draw on her lived experiences to inform conversations about racism. She is excited to be supporting the Richmond School District and our work to build equity and inclusion and a sense belonging for all students and staff.

Registration

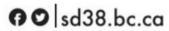
These repeated webinar sessions are intended for Richmond School District parents and caregivers only. As space is limited, please register in advance for one session using one of the QR codes below.

January 25, 2024 at 7 p.m.



January 30, 2024 at 11 a.m.











Grade 7 High School Parent Information Meetings for the 2024/2025 School Year

Grade 7 Parent Information Evenings for 2024/25

School Name	<u>Date</u>
Hugh Boyd Secondary	January 25, 2024 @ 6:30pm
JN Burnett Secondary	February 15, 2024 @ 6:30pm
Cambie Secondary	January 16, 2024 @ 6:00pm
MacNeill Secondary	January 25, 2024 @ 6:00pm
McMath Secondary	February 15, 2024 @ 6:00pm
McRoberts Secondary	January 25, 2024 @ 6:30pm
McNair Secondary	January 25, 2024 @ 6:00pm
Palmer Secondary	January 25, 2024 @ 6:30pm
Richmond Secondary	February 7, 2024 @ 6:00pm
Steveston London Secondary	January 24, 2024 @ 6:00pm
Richmond Virtual School (BL, RAIL)	January 25, 2024 @ 7:00pm at
3777	Palmer Secondary School, Room 131

Transfer Applications for 2024/2025 School Year

Transfer Applications for 2024/25 will open on Monday, February 5, 2024. The application form and information is available now for parents to download here Transfer applications are to be used by students who live outside of the catchment area for a requested school but would like to apply to attend there. If you have moved and want to apply to attend your new catchment school, please complete a registration, not a transfer application. Students must currently be registered in the Richmond School District to complete a transfer application.

First round transfers for the 2024/25 school year will begin February 5, 2024. Transfer forms will be updated January 2024. Please make sure you are using the most up to date form.

Basketball Season Has Begun!

Thank you to our coaches/sponsors for organizing the basketball practises and games for Kingswood's basketball season! The girls will be coached by Ms. Arnsdorf and Ms. Lougheed, and their practises are Tuesday mornings at 7:45 am and Thursdays after school.

The boys are coached by Coach Dhillon from McNair and Mr. Leung, and will be managed/ sponsored by Ms. Bahd. Their practises will be on Tuesdays after school, Wednesday mornings at 7:45 am and also at lunch time. Please see their games schedule below. *means we need parent drivers

Girls Games:

February 1: Woodward at Kingswood

February 6: Hamilton at Kingswood

February 8: Kingswood at Hamilton *

February 20: Kingswood @ Woodward

February 29: Kidd at Kingswood

March 5: Kingswood at Kidd





Any parents who would like to help referee a game or two? Please let Ms. Bahd know!

Boys Games:

February 6: Kingswood at Hamilton

February 8: Hamilton at Kingswood

February 20: Kidd at Kingswood

February 21: Woodward at Kingswood

February 28: Kingswood at Kidd

March 5: Kingswood at Woodward



Hot Lunch Days, Term Two

Thank you to our PAC hot lunch coordinator, Sandra Kadatare, and our PAC chair, Devinder Bassi, for setting up our hot lunch dates for the rest of the term, all the way up until Spring Break! All orders for each date are due the week prior by 2:45 pm. I.e. for Subway on January 31, the deadline is January 24 at 2:45 pm. Please feel free to order weekly, for the term—whichever works for you! Thank you to all of our parent hot lunch volunteers as well—the children look forward to these days, and we could not do it without all of your support! Please note that there are veggie and or Halal options available as well.



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 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:

- January 15: Black Excellence Day
- January 22, McNair Presentation to Grade 7s at Kingswood, 1:30 pm
- January 23: PAC meeting, 6:15 pm
- January 24: Sushi Lovers Day
- •January 24: Last day to order for January 31 Subway lunch day, 2:45 pm cut off
- •January 25: Outdoor Education Meeting/Presentation for Grade 6/7 Families online, 6:00 pm
- •January 26: Professional Development Day--students do not attend school on this day
- January 31: Subway Lunch Day
- February 2: January Recognition Assembly 1:30 pm
- February 14 and 15: Early Dismissal for Parent-Teacher Meetings, 1:45
- •February 16: District Professional Development Day
- •February 19: Family Day Holiday





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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