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Week-At-A-Glance for Families:  
Feb. 3-7, 2025  
**Highlights For Next Week Include**

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| Monday-3    |                                                                                                                                                     |
| Tuesday-4   | 8:00-8:30 AM Band Practices<br>Run Club/KM Club @ Recess<br>Student Leadership @ Lunch for Grade 5-7 students<br>Boys Basketball Game @ Garden City |
| Wednesday-5 | PAC Snack- Popcorn Craze (Kernels)<br>Dragon Band Rehearsals at Lunch<br>6/7 Girls Basketball Game @ Garden City                                    |
| Thursday-6  | Run Club/KM Club @ Recess<br>Boys Basketball Game @ Currie (Parent Drivers required)                                                                |
| Friday-7    | Noisy Club @ Recess                                                                                                                                 |

**SCHOOL NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Pink Shirt Day-** Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> is Pink Shirt Day. Pink Shirt Day is a reminder that even the smallest gestures—a kind word, a friendly smile, or standing up for someone—can make a big difference in creating a safer and more caring environment for all.

We invite students, staff, and families to join us in wearing pink to symbolize our commitment to ending bullying and fostering kindness. Beyond wearing pink, we encourage conversations at home about how small, everyday actions can positively impact others. Whether it's sharing a compliment, being a good listener, or helping someone in need, every act of kindness adds up to a stronger, more compassionate community.

Our student leadership group (Connection Crew) will be leading a Pink Shirt Day assembly for all classes to watch. A recording of the assembly will be sent home after February 26<sup>th</sup>.



## Upcoming School Spirit Days-

Our student leadership group is organizing some upcoming School Wide Spirit Days. Mark your calendars:



More info  
to come  
about these  
days!

## EGG TART FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone that was able to support our first Grade 7 fundraiser. The Egg Tart sale was a big success.

Keep an eye out for the next fundraiser near Valentine's Day!



## WEATHER-RELATED SCHOOL CLOSURES

As you may have heard, there is snow in the forecast this weekend. The district will try to determine school closures due to inclement weather by 6:30am. Updates will be delivered using social media and district websites. We will also send an email to families and post on our school update by 7am if school will be closed. **Please do not call the school to check.**

SD38 website: <https://sd38.bc.ca/news/2024-11-13/inclement-weather-school-closure-notifications>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RichmondSD38/>

If snowfall begins while school is in session, in most circumstances, schools will remain OPEN until the end of the school day. If schools are open, and you wish to keep your child home due to weather conditions, you may do so. Please let your school know of this decision. Parents/guardians are responsible for their child's safe travel to school.



## **DISTRICT NEWS**

### **Parent Education Session: Presented by Hannah Beach**

February 25, 2025 | 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Children are becoming more anxious and aggressive. The common thread? A stark decline in free play. After this session, you may never see play the same way again. Our current culture has replaced play with entertainment and structured activities. We are now seeing the emotional side effects of the loss of play in the lives of children as aggression and anxiety in young people is at an all-time high.



The research is clear: children learn and develop best through play. And yet, children are playing less than ever. In fact, this is the first generation of children that does not have a play-based childhood. The side effects? Children and youth are struggling. It has become harder than ever to lead and care for kids.

This conversation has never been more important as we look at how we can support children's emotional health and learning. We'll unpack the science behind play and how it lowers anxiety and aggression, builds resilience, and fosters social and emotional health.

Little changes can have big effects. Join Hannah for a powerful workshop that will help you discover practical ways to transform your family culture and support your children in becoming their best selves.

[Click here to register](#)

## **PAC CORNER**

### ***PAC Executive Team***

Several members of our PAC Executive will be aging out of DeBeck in the next two years as their children move onto high school. In May, we will be looking to fill several of our Executive positions. If you are interested in taking on a role on our PAC or have questions, please email [debeckpac@gmail.com](mailto:debeckpac@gmail.com)

### ***Hot Lunch is Back***

Hot Lunch will be back in the New Year! The PAC has teamed up with some amazing vendors to bring you a tasty lineup of delicious options you won't want to miss. Ordering is now OPEN. <https://www.munchalunch.com/schools/debeck/>

| Lunch Date        | Lunch Theme          | Order By Date     |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Mon, Jan 20, 2025 | Pizza Bonanza        | Sun, Jan 12, 2025 |
| Wed, Feb 05, 2025 | Popcorn Craze        | Wed, Jan 15, 2025 |
| Mon, Feb 10, 2025 | KFC Crispy Adventure | Sun, Feb 02, 2025 |
| Mon, Feb 24, 2025 | Pizza Bonanza        | Sun, Feb 16, 2025 |
| Wed, Mar 05, 2025 | Popcorn Craze        | Wed, Feb 12, 2025 |
| Mon, Mar 10, 2025 | KFC Crispy Adventure | Sun, Feb 23, 2025 |

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Upcoming events are available on our website. [Click here to access.](#)

## **FEBRUARY**

Black History Month

- 10 Girls Basketball Game @ Thompson
- 10 Boys Basketball Game @ Currie (Parent Drivers required)
- 11 Basketball Practice @ Garden City
- 13 School Spirit Day: Wear Pink and Red
- 14 Pro D Day- No School for Students
- 17 Family Day Weekend- No School
- 18 Girls Basketball Game @ Currie (Parent Drivers required)
- 19 Field Trip: Richmond Children's Festival (Division 1- Romalis)
- 19 Girls Basketball Game @ Spul'u'kwuks
- 19 Boys Basketball Game @ Lee
- 20 Field Trip: Richmond Children's Festival (Division 3- Loewen)
- 20 Boys Basketball Game @ Spul'u'kwuks
- 21 School Spirit Day- Backwards Day
- 24 Hot Lunch- Pizza Bonanza
- 25 Lockdown Drill
- 26 Pink Shirt Day- Wear a Pink Shirt
- 26 Early Dismissal for Conferences (1:45 PM)
- 27 Early Dismissal for Conferences (1:45 PM)

## **MARCH**

- 3 Basketball Practice @ Lee
- 7 School Spirit Day- Everything but the Backpack
- 11 Basketball Practice @ Garden City
- 14 School Spirit Day- Pajama Day
- 14 Last day before Spring Break
- 17-28 Spring Break- School Not in Session
- 31 Welcome Back

## Around our School



It was wonderful to  
see so many classes  
learning about and  
celebrating Lunar  
New Year this  
week!

