



DeBeck News

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Vice Principal

School Schedule:

- 8:45 – Classes Begin
- 9:55 - 10:10 Group A Recess
- 10:20 - 10:35 Group B Recess
- 11:30 -12:22 Group A Lunch
- 12:00 -12:52 Group B - Lunch
- 2:45 - Dismissal

Nov 22nd - Nov 26th Week at a Glance

Monday	Professional Learning Day - No School
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Dear Families,

With unprecedented levels of rain fall this week, it's shocking to see the devastation around the Province caused by the recent storm. We had one of our rare inside days on Monday because our playground, basketball courts, pathways and large portions of the field were flooded. It was also shocking to see all of the water gone the following day. While we do plan to go outside each recess and lunch break, we are also always carefully watching the weather conditions to ensure that it is safe for our children to play outside. While we do not anticipate that there will be many days where we will all need to stay inside for recess and lunch, it is apparent that weather is becoming more unpredictable. Recently you were emailed a guide on how the Richmond School District prepares for emergencies. We have attached a copy for your reference.

The City of Richmond has an extensive drainage and dyking system that many students have been interested to learn more about in the recent days. The Richmond News has begun reporting a series of articles about this system, and climate change. We've included the link below for your reference:

<https://www.richmond-news.com/local-news/no-dykes-no-richmond-4771272>

Wishing you all good health,

Kathy Pantaleo and Trevor Shuto

Important Dates!

Nov 22	Professional Learning Day - No school on this day
Nov 24	PAC Meeting @ 6:00 pm
Dec 17	Last day of school before Winter Break
Jan 4	First Day Back

Reminder

Monday, November 22nd
is a
Professional Learning Day.
No school on this day.



Playground Update

While it has been many years of talk and fundraising about a new playground, it is really exciting to see our dream begin to become a reality. Recently we chose Habitat Systems as the company that will be building our new playground. Our plan is to replace some parts of the old playground, and add a new playground that will extend into part of the soccer field area. We met with a representative from Habitat last week, who was able to measure the space and will come back with some updated diagrams and more details on suggested equipment and play space. We hope to be able to share more at our next PAC meeting on Wednesday, November 24th at 6:00 pm. You can also look at what Habitat has to offer at the website at: <https://www.habitat-systems.com/>



Optional Student Accident Insurance

Optional Insurance plans can be purchased by families for students. Please use the link below for additional information.

<http://www.insuremykids.com>



Purdys PAC Fundraiser

Purdys is now open just in time for the holiday season! Whether you're buying for your family, friends, co-workers, or yourself, it's a great way to contribute to a new playground at DeBeck

Order online <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1370205-86824> by November 27th with pick up week of December 13th. Please email debeckfundraising@gmail.com with any questions.

