



**Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG) for Families:  
October 21st-25th, 2024  
Highlights For Next Week Include:**

Monday	Book Fair 2:45 PM-3:15 PM Quiet Club @ lunch in the Music Room
Tuesday	Early Dismissal for Conferences @ 1:45 PM Book Fair- 8:15-8:40 AM & 1:45 PM- 5:00 PM Run Club at Recess Dragon Band Rehearsals @ Lunch District Cross Country Run @ 3:30 PM Garry Point Park
Wednesday	Early Dismissal for Conferences @ 1:45 PM Book Fair- 8:15 AM-8:40 AM and 1:45 PM- 4:00 PM Individual Photo Day (In Music Room)
Thursday	Book Fair- Last Chance- 8:15 AM-8:40 AM Run Club @ Recess Noisy Club @ Lunch in the Music Room
Friday	Professional Development Day- No School for Students

**SCHOOL NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Book Fair-**

The Book Fair is coming to DeBeck. Mark your calendars. Students will be given the opportunity to look and buy during school time. But you are also welcome to come as a family on the dates and times listed on the poster. All money raised goes back to our school through books and resources for all students.

**School Spirit Wear-**



DeBeck Spirit Wear is here! Please see the attached document to show what clothing is available for purchase and the prices. Samples have arrived and are available on a rolling rack near the front entrance. To purchase items, please log on to Cash Online. The store will close on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **“Trick or Treat” Others with Respect-**

Halloween should and needs to be fun; however, we need to be aware that celebrating Halloween needs to be fun for all. Halloween offers an



opportunity to have meaningful conversations about costume choices. It is important to keep in mind that we need to be sensitive to groups that have been marginalized through mimicry and cultural appropriation during Halloween and other ‘dress up’ events.

*Students are welcome to wear costumes if they wish and have started to plan. We are asking students not to bring any weapon accessories to school if they are part of their*

*costume. We also know that some costumes have full masks. We are asking students that they do not wear their mask while at school, both inside the class and while outside during recess and lunch. Full masks can make it difficult for students to see, but also we want to be able to identify students and masks can scare our younger students. Thank you for your understanding.*

### **It's good to keep in mind that the following are NOT Costumes:**

**RACE** (*black face/brown face*)

**CULTURE** (*Indigenous regalia/dreadlocks*)

**RELIGIOUS FAITH** (*religious figures/gods/saints/gurus*)

**GENDER** (*gender switching for humour or to mock*)

**TRAUMA** (*hangman's noose/weapons*)

## **DISTRICT NEWS**

### **Kindergarten Registration Information**



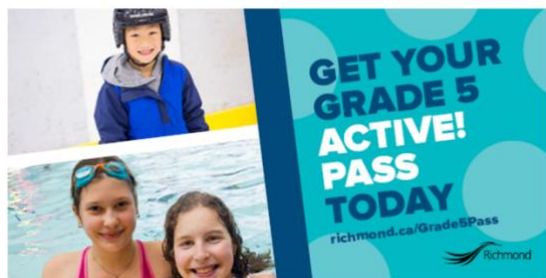
Richmond School District 38 is excited to welcome Kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2020, turning 5 in 2025. These children will begin Kindergarten in September 2025. Online registration opens on November 1, 2024. Please visit our website <https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration> for more information about our online registration process, required documents, important dates, and FAQs.

We encourage families to complete their registration within the Priority 1 registration window, which spans from November 2024 to January 17, 2024, to maximize their chances of securing a spot at their catchment school. All registration applications received any time during the Priority 1 registration period will receive placement decisions by February 7, 2025.

Videos detailing Kindergarten registration have been made available on our District website, providing new parents with guidance on the registration process, English Language Learner (ELL) assessments, and District Program Options (Early French Immersion and Montessori). These videos are available in English and Mandarin. Please view the videos [at https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration](https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration).

Finally, there will be a Kindergarten Information Evening for parents of students with disabilities and diverse abilities on Zoom held on November 6th from 6:30 – 7:30pm. A link to the Zoom is available on our District website <https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration>.

## **COMMUNITY INFORMATION**



### **Grade 5 Active Pass**

The City of Richmond has launched the 2024/25 Grade 5 Active! Pass (<https://richmond.ca/parks-recreation/about/sports/grade5.htm>) that offers a pass for FREE admission to drop-in swimming, skating, pitch and putt golf and other community centre activities.

## **PAC CORNER**



### **Adults Only Community Event**

Join us for an Adults Only Pub Night at Legends Pub & Restaurant on November 15th at 6 PM! 🍷 Tickets are \$25 and include a burger, fries, and a beverage (alcoholic and non-alcoholic choices available). Don't miss out on the 50/50 draw. It's a fantastic chance to unwind and connect with the DeBeck community! 🍔🍹 Tickets go on sale on Tuesday, October 22. Get your tickets through School Cash Online.

## **Pumpkin Patch Helpers**

Our PAC is seeking volunteers to help with pumpkin distribution on the morning of Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Please meet in the field at at 8:00 AM. If you have access to a wagon or a wheelbarrow, please bring it with you.

## **Upcoming PAC Changes**

Our current Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Chair will be stepping down in June 2025, and our treasurer will soon be “graduating” along with their child. We’re looking for parents who’d like to step up and volunteer for these roles starting in September 2025. If you’re interested or want to learn more, please reach out to us at [debeckpack@gmail.com](mailto:debeckpack@gmail.com) - it’s a great way to get involved and support our school community!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **OCTOBER**

- 29 DeBeck Pumpkin Patch (Thank you PAC)
- 31 Hallowe’en

### **NOVEMBER**

- 8 Remembrance Day Assembly- Students will watch an online version
- 11 Remembrance Day- (No School)
- 13 Individual Photo Retakes
- 15 *PAC Pub Night at Legends @ 6 PM*
- 22 *TCO2 Presentation (Grade 4-7) More info to come*
- 25 Professional Development Day- No School for Students

## **Math and Numeracy at DeBeck**

*As a staff, we are focussing on how we teach math. We are specifically interested in supporting all students in applying their math knowledge to numeracy tasks (real life situations that require math). This week one of our District Teacher Consultants, Janice Novakowski came in to do a Number Talk followed by Math Workshop. Students in Division 11 participated in different*



*numeracy tasks in stations around the classroom. Each station provides different number choices and levels of difficulty so all students can participate. These stations address different curricular competencies in the grade 2 and 3 math curriculum.*



