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Week-At-A-Glance for Families: JAN.6-JAN. 10, 2025

Highlights For Next Week Include

Monday	Welcome Back!
Tuesday	8:00-8:30 AM Band Practices Run Club/KM Club @ Recess Student Leadership @ Lunch for Grade 5-7 students
Wednesday	Dragon Band Auditions/Rehearsals at Lunch
Thursday	Run Club/KM Club @ Recess
Friday	Quiet Club @ Recess Deadline to order hot lunch for Dec. 20 is January 12th

What a wonderful term of learning and being together. We feel lucky we get to teach your children every day. Thank you for sharing them with us. We hope you enjoy a restful break with friends and family. See you in 2025.

SCHOOL NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS



Our School Story- <u>Click here</u> to read our Evidence post and what our school focus will be this year.

DISTRICT NEWS

Late French Immersion Webinar: The Richmond School District provides



the Late French Immersion program beginning at Grade 6 at James Whiteside and John Diefenbaker Elementary schools. We invite families of current Grade 5 students to join us for a program information virtual meeting on Monday, January 13th, 2025 at 6 p.m. This informative session will include information around program overview, student experiences and registration process. Please see

attached flyer for more information.

Online Public Open House-Long Range Facilities Plan-January 14th, 2025



The district is hosting an Online Public Open House from 6:00-8:00 PM. This virtual event will provide community members with the opportunity to learn about the 2025 Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) and

offer input to help shape the district's long-term facilities strategy. More information about the LRFP can be found on the <u>district website</u>

CITY OF RICHMOND NEWS



Take in the creative festive light displays while wandering throughout Steveston Village, City Hall Plaza, Britannia Shipyards and other areas of the city, drop-in for a Winter Wonderland public skating session or a family swim at Minoru Centre for Active Living and so much more. Find all the details here.

PAC CORNER

iPad Fundraiser

The PAC is excited to announce the kick-start of our iPad Fundraiser! We're transitioning from leasing iPads for \$5,000 per year to buying out our current lease with a one-time payment of \$5,000. This change will save the PAC \$15,000 over the next three years while ensuring our students continue to benefit from this essential technology. Your support will help make this possible!

You can contribute to the fundraiser through School Cash Online:

https://richmondsd38.schoolcashonline.com/Home/SignIn by December 31, 2024. All donations over \$20 will receive an official receipt for tax purposes via email. Please see attached letter for instructions.

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 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 are looking for parents who'd volunteer for these roles starting in September 2025. Committee roles can be shared by two people. If you are interested or want to learn more, please reach out to use at debeckpac@gmail.com it is a great way to get involved and support the school community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- 13 Late French Immersion Information Webinar
- 15 Deadline to order Kernels Popcorn Snack
- 20 PAC Hot Lunch: Pizza
- 23 Kindergarten Hearing Screening by Vancouver Coastal Health
- 24 Stop, Drop and Hold On Drill
- 27 Pro- D Day

FEBRUARY

- 5 Kernels Popcorn Snack
- 10 PAC Hot Lunch- KFC





Division 3 showcasing their ADST projects. They designed mazes and shared their mazes with other classes. This project gave students the opportunity to go through the process of designing, prototyping, measuring and testing to create a successful maze. Classes who tried the mazes had a great time.

oBJECTIVE
Get the marble to the
finish line, and make
new time records on
this maze!

3 CONTROLS

If the marble ever gets stuck roll it backwards, then roll it forward again.

5 CAUTIOUS!!

While playing please DON'T

LIFT UP THE MAZE

BOARD! Leave it on its

platform. Thank You!

DROPPED MARBLE

If the marble is dropped,
the timer will stop, and
you will add 5 secs to your
time. You have unlimited
hearts for this game.

4 CAUTIOUS!!

DON'T SPIN THE HANDLE, just use it for turning the maze! Also while playing don't spin the maze around just turn it (right, left, straight, down).

SOLUTIONS + TIPS

There are different solutions to this maze! Some tips our team would give you is don't rush that much, so you won't fall into the holes!

