

A cartoon illustration of a young boy with dark, spiky hair, running towards the right. He has a wide, joyful smile, showing his teeth. He is wearing a blue short-sleeved t-shirt with a white horizontal stripe across the chest, black shorts, white socks, and blue sneakers with white laces. His arms are bent in a running motion, and his legs are also in a running stride. The background is a solid light green color.

For those who celebrate it, Halloween should be fun! And it can be fun for ALL and not at the expense of equity-deserving groups. It's good to keep in mind that the following are not Costumes:

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- A cartoon illustration of a young girl dressed as a witch and a boy dressed as a wolf. The girl is on the left, wearing a purple witch's hat with a yellow buckle, a purple cape, and purple boots. She holds a broomstick in her right hand. The boy is on the right, wearing a grey wolf mask and a grey suit with a yellow scarf. He carries a jack-o'-lantern basket in his left hand. They are walking on a light blue path against a solid orange background.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in their costumes on October 31st. Wearing costumes is optional, but should your child choose to wear one, we do have guidelines to remind you of so that we can all have a fun and safe day:

- Students come to school in their costumes, rather than getting changed at lunch. Students will still be expected to go outside for recess and lunch, so they should be able to move freely and play in their costumes.
- Leave masks and weapons at home. Masks can be scary, and difficult to see out of and weapons are never allowed to be brought to school, even plastic ones.



DeBeck Pumpkin Patch

On Tuesday, October 28th, we will have our annual DeBeck Pumpkin Patch. A big thank you to our PAC and Save On Foods for making this tradition possible. All students will get the opportunity to choose a pumpkin from the patch. Please send your child to school with a sturdy bag for their pumpkin.



Upcoming Events/Dates

NOVEMBER

- 5 Volleyball @ Ferris
- 6 K Hearing Screening
- 7 Hold and Secure/Lockdown Drill
- 10 Remembrance Day Assembly @ 10:30 AM
- 11 Remembrance Day- No School
- 12 PAC Snack- Kernels Popcorn
- 12 Volleyball vs Currie (Home Game)
- 13 Photo Retakes
- 13 Volleyball @ Garden City
- 13 PAC Meeting @ 6:30 PM
- 17 PAC Hot Lunch- High 5 Chicken
- 18 Volleyball game vs Garden City (Home)
- 24 PAC Hot Lunch- High Five Chicken
- 25 Div. 4/5 Field Trip to Richmond Public Library
- 27 PAC Meeting @ 6:30 in the Library



PAC Corner



- We are looking for **volunteers** for driving to pick up future Hot Lunches (dates TBD)! Please sign up using this link:
<https://volunteersignup.org/FFXF7>
- Any questions or if you want more information on how to get involved with our PAC, please email debeckpac@gmail.com



Student Affordability Fund

Please reach out to Mrs. Schwartz (lschwartz@sd38.bc.ca) if you require financial assistance for any school-related costs (school supplies, field trips, etc.). As always, all requests will be treated with dignity, and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that students have everything



Remembrance Day Assembly

We will be hosting our Remembrance Day Assembly on November 10th @ 10:30 AM. Parents are welcome to attend.



HALLOWEEN IN RICHMOND

The City of Richmond is offering over 20 spooktacular Halloween-inspired events and programs to choose from throughout the city (October 18-31):



Halloween Hoot at the Richmond Nature Park (Oct. 18-29)

Halloween Fireworks Festival at Minoru Park (Oct. 31)

Halloween Family Skates (Oct. 31-Nov. 2)

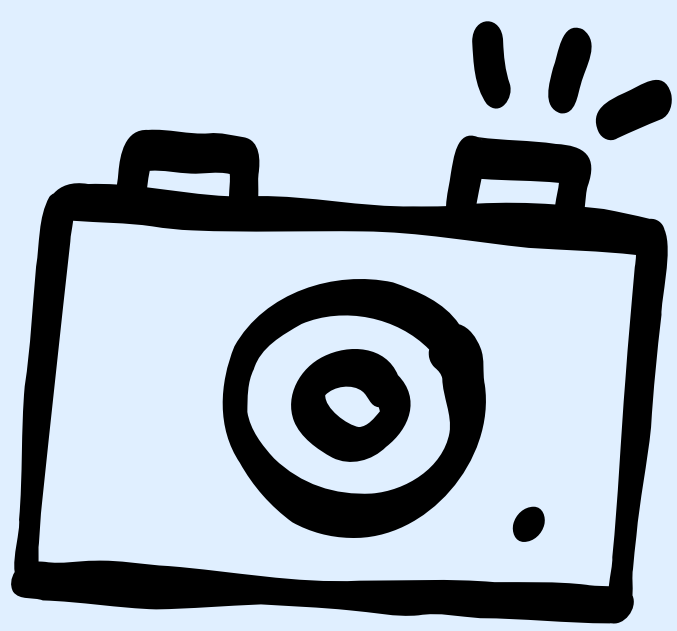
[Click here](https://richmond.ca/halloween) to see more “fa-boo-lous” fun for everyone!



DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

Dress for the weather. With the upcoming, rainy days, please remember to wear jackets and send extra clothes. We will be outside for recess and lunch, rain or shine.





Around the School



Volleyball games started this week. We are so proud of our grade 6/7 team. In their first game against Ferris we had many great rallies and wonderful sportsmanship.

Did you know that we have over 70 students in grade 4-7 participating in our Student Leadership initiative. Students meet on Wednesdays at lunch to learn how to be a leader and plan events for the school. Thank you to Mrs. Lang, Ms. Lim-Fong and Mr. Loewen for sharing your leadership knowledge with our students.

