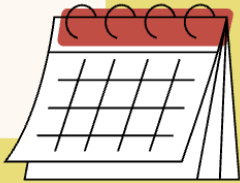




Weekly Parent Newsletter

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The Richmond Board of Education acknowledges and thanks the First Peoples of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓ (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

Dear Families,

It has been another exciting week at McKinney! Students continued working on their track and field skills at practices all week long. We also had another round of presentations by “Squash BC”, “Yukon Dan” and “Young Actors”. This week will be our final week of practices before the big Track Meet on May 12th. More information below.

This week we are also hosting a Montessori Math Night on May 7th at 5:30 PM in the gym. All that want to learn more about Montessori math are welcome to attend. Thank you to the Montessori teachers who have worked so hard organizing this event.

This upcoming week is Teachers Appreciation Week, and we want to take a moment to appreciate all of the hardworking staff at McKinney. We are so fortunate to have so many caring educators at our school. And thank you to all you parents as well—learning begins in the home and YOU are your child’s first teacher. Thank you for allowing us to partner with you to support your child’s learning.

Enjoy the sunshine.

Sincerely,
Ms. Zvi and Ms. Sood

Week-at-a-Glance for the week of May 5th to 9th 2025

Monday 5	Track practices continue this week... PAC meeting at 7 pm Library or Teams
Tuesday 6	Div 1, 9 and 10 on a field trip
Wednesday 7	Div 2 on a field trip
Thursday 8	Hot Lunch- Boston Pizza
Friday 9	Track and field assembly for students about the upcoming event at Minoru



Early Warning Line Reminder-

If your child will be absent or late, please call our Early Warning Line at **604-668-6691** and leave a voice message to let us know.

Thank you for helping us ensure the safety and well-being of all our students!

Track and Field event on May 12th : We are excited to be part of the District Track and Field Zone Meet on **Monday, May 12!** Our learners have been practicing consistently and demonstrating great perseverance. Athletes will find out their teams and events during the upcoming week.

We kindly ask for your support in the following ways if your child is participating:

- 1. **Transportation Help**
If you are available to help transport students to **Minoru Track** by **8:30 AM**, and have not yet completed the driving form, please visit the school office and complete the necessary paperwork by **Tuesday, May 7.**
- 2. **Volunteering in the Stands**
If you are interested in helping organize and supervise students in the stands, please let the office know by **Tuesday, May 7.**
- 3. **Parking Reminder for Volunteers**
Please note that **parking is limited** at the venue, and you may be ticketed if parked in unauthorized areas. We recommend parking on nearby streets.

Additional information for students and volunteers will be shared by **Thursday.** Thank you for your support in making this a successful event for our learners!

Welcome to our New Kindergarten event on May 13th

We are excited to host another “Welcome to Kindergarten” event, warmly welcoming our new Kindergarten students and their families to the McKinney community!

PAC request:

As we look ahead, we need your help to keep our PAC strong and active. Many of our current PAC members are leaving as their children graduate, and we’re looking for new parent volunteers to step into **executive roles**. Specifically, ***we need to fill the positions of Treasurer, Secretary, and Social Media Liaison.*** The PAC is vital for securing the BC Gaming Grant and supporting various school activities that benefit our children. Without PAC, students lose over \$8,000 in Government Grant, as well as support for Hot Lunch Days, Spirit Wear, classroom resources, field trip subsidies, and much, much, more.
If you’re interested in making a difference in our school community, please join us at our next PAC meeting! With thanks, from your PAC executive.

RAM (Montessori Parent Association)

- 1. We look forward to seeing families at our Montessori Math Night on May 7th at 5:30 PM.
- 2. RAM is excited to start the hand-pressed pencil fundraiser this year again. These pencils are hand-pressed by 12-year-old Lily in Kelowna. Aside from buying pre-stamped sets, you can also order customer order sets for someone special. Submit your order online (<https://bit.ly/RAMPencils>) **before May 12th, 2025!** (see attached flyer)

Photos of the Week:





Guided Reading Groups



Track & Field Practice

