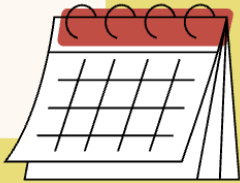




# Weekly Parent Newsletter

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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,

We had a very exciting and energetic start to the week!

On Monday, our students participated in a thrilling track meet at Minoru. Many of our learners took part in multiple events and showed incredible sportsmanship throughout the day. We are so proud of their efforts and positive attitudes. A big thank you to all the teachers who coached and supported our students at the meet, and a very special shout-out to our amazing parent volunteers — your time and supervision made a huge difference.

Go, McKinney, Go!

On Tuesday, we had the pleasure of welcoming our incoming Kindergarten students and their families. It was a joy to see our newest community members beginning their journey with us. The energy in the gym was contagious as our future learners explored various activity stations. A heartfelt thank you to our Kindergarten and resource teachers, along with the school nurse and PAC for their warm welcome and support during this special event.

On Thursday, we got our new garden beds. Students had a great time filling them with soil and getting them ready for Spring Gardening. Thank you to the PAC for their generous donation to cover the costs of the new beds.

And today our staff had a meaningful Professional Development Day. We learned more about Indigenous Ways of Knowing and were reminded by our Keynote speaker, Dr. Brad Baker that we must focus on “truth before reconciliation”. We thought deeply about how we can collectively make school inclusive, safe, and caring for all learners. It was another good step forward in our own learning journeys toward reconciliation.

We wish you a restful and enjoyable long weekend as we celebrate Victoria Day on Monday! See you on Tuesday.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Zvi and Ms. Sood

## Week-at-a-Glance for the week of May 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025

Monday	Victoria Day – no school
Tuesday	Saleema Noon Parent presentation -Zoom (Information Letter attached) 6:30. All parents invited to join us!
Wednesday	
Thursday	Saleema Noon school wide presentation Div 12 on a field trip Hot Lunch Day
Friday	Div 6 on a field trip Saleema Noon school wide presentation



## 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!

### PAC fundraisers:

- **Krispy Kreme:**

We are having a Krispy Kreme Donuts Fundraiser to fundraise for our Grades 6/7 outdoor learning. If you are interested in purchasing these yummy treats, please do so at KEV Online.

**Cost is \$15/per dozen**

Order deadline is Friday, May 30, 2025

Order pick up is Thursday, June 12, 2025

- **Frozen Yogurt deadline May 16**

### 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 which is the AGM and will take place on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM in the library and on TEAMS.

Thank you,

PAC executive

### Photos of the Week:

