

April 2 – April 5, 2024				
Monday April 1	Tuesday April 2	Wednesday April 3	Thursday April 4	Friday April 5
Last Day of Spring Break School Closed	DCBA (Day 2) Lock Down Drill Block D (8:40am)	BA (Day 1) PLT (9:20am-10:10am)	DC (Day 2) PLT (8:30am-10:10am)	ABDC (Day 1)

# Personal Learning Time

Personal Learning Time (PLT) is on Wednesdays and Thursdays. This is dedicated time set aside in the timetable for students, where they are given choice and ownership over their learning. <u>LINK</u> to PLT sign-up. Plan ahead.

#### Connections Class - these 7 Days are required.

Students should all download the MS Teams App to their device and/or know how to sign-in to MS Teams on a school or home device. Reflection assignments are due via MS Teams. See Mr. Nashlund during PLT for assistance.

#### $\underline{School\ Fees-SchoolCashOnline}$

Students fees should now be loaded to School Cash Online. Please contact the Business Assistant, Mrs. Karen Campbell at kacampbell@sd38.bc.ca, if you need assistance with setting up a <a href="SchoolCashOnline">SchoolCashOnline</a> account or if you have any questions. If your family is experiencing any financial hardship, please email an administrator so we are able to support you.

#### Are you having challenges with MyEdBC?

Here are some resources and tips on our <u>website</u>. While here is the <u>link</u> to the "Request Assistance" webform to describe your challenge to our office staff who will respond to you with targeted help.

#### **Homestay Program**

Be a host for an international student for a month, semester or year. Richmond International Education (RIE) Homestay Program is looking for local families to offer a welcoming home. Please see more information <a href="https://example.com/here.">here.</a>

#### Gratitude

Thank you to everyone in our school community who contributes to making SLSS a great place to learn. There are so many people with so many diverse roles who all play an important part to our students' learning each and every day. Thank you to the Muslim Student Associaion who put on an excellent event to celebrate Ramadan. We hosted 120 students from 4 different schools. Thank you Ms. Campbell and Mr. Nashlund for accuately collating the AP Exam Order – this is not an easy task and has many moving pieces.

## Social Media Awareness Family Sessions

Safer Schools Together, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, is offering "Social Media Awareness" family sessions. These sessions are designed to support families and caregivers navigate the digital world. Dates, times and information to register can be found in the link below. Please see this link.

# **Athletics**

Reminder, for the most up to date news about teams and schedules, please visit our Sharks Athletics Instagram account on a regular basis and/or see the gym schedule. Schedules for all the teams (Table Tennis) are here. Spring Season team sign-ups, try-outs, and practices are here (Badminton, Girls Soccer, Untimate, 8 & 9 Boys Volleyball, Track & Field)

## Consent Education - link to February 28 parent webinar

Following the Consent Education presentations to all secondary schools and alternate program sites, a parent information session was hosted last week by the Exploitation Education Institute. A link to the information session on Youtube is <u>available here</u>

## CLC 12

Reminder to students as we are getting close to the end in our course and that students should be working on getting the final touches to their Capstone projects, which are due April 15th on TEAMs. If students and parents have gotten an email recently for any students being behind in class work it would be helpful for students to use the break to catch up and submit outstanding work, so they can meet the due date deadline. In addition, students should submit their 30 hours forms which are due anytime now to March 31st. Students should attend PLT to seek guidance from Ms. Sidhu. Wish everyone a relaxing break.

## Buy your Yearbook!

Hello parents and students! The last day to purchase the school yearbook is March 13th. Please visit School Cash Online to pay for your yearbook as soon as possible.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Apr 10	PAC Meeting	
Apr 11	Report Cards Published	
Apr 15	SLSS In-School Scholarship Application due (online)	
Apr 17 & 18	Grad Assessments (S2 GNA 10 & catch-ups)	
Apr 17 & 18	Parent-Teacher Conferences	
Apr 19	Pro-D Day (No Classes)	
Apr 22	Block Order Change - DCBA	
Apr 24	Connections Class (9:20-10:10am)	
Apr 26	Gr. 8 SR (Social Responsibility) Day	
May 8	PAC Meeting	
May 9	Gr. 7 Fun Day	
May 9	Grad Boat Cruise	

#### Career Education

CLC 12 – Students are reminded that Mentor Log #2 was due Feb. 1st, if you have not submitted please get this in ASAP. Check your emails and TEAMs for messages of assignments and due dates. Keep an eye out for the Sign Up Genius QR code that will be shared with you next week so you can sign up to present your Capstone in person during a PLT timeslot over March, April and early May. Capstone will be due April 15th, so all of you need to stay focused and committed to working towards your completion as we are getting close to the finish line.

#### **Parking Lot and Traffic**

We are seeing increased traffic in our Williams driveway especially with the road work happening on Gilbert. We are observing that many students are arriving late to school as a result. Students, we encourage you to walk or bike to school as much as possible and prioritize being on time for your class in the morning. If you must drive your child to school, please plan to arrive early. Our doors are open for students at 7:30 am and the parking lot is much less busy before 8:15 am. Our neighbours are also expressing frustration that their driveways down Williams are being blocked due to the line up to our school parking lot. Please do not block driveways, school bus, and emergency and transit vehicles while you are dropping off or picking up. Students, please pay extra attention in the parking lots and be aware of cars and only cross in the marked cross walks.

## **Summer Learning 2024**

Please see the following public document that will outline the general Summer Learning 2024 information. A more detailed program guide will come out closer to April.

## **Adult Secondary**

Our adult secondary courses just started the second semester evening courses and third term day courses. (It is not too late to register!) These face to face/hybrid courses are free for ordinarily residents of BC who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents, Refugee status and Work Permit status with instructions stating they can study. Students can be as 17 years of age and older. Students currently enrolled in a secondary school can also register for courses with permission from their home school. New this year!! We are now offering Adult Online full credit courses for Richmond Residents only. Students 17 and older. Students who are interested in registering should contact Bob Mostat our course advisor at 604-668-7899 ext 2. P2023-24 Day & Evening Class calendars combined.pdf

## Congratulations Grade 8 Basketball Team!

The Grade 8 girls basketball team won City Championships, qualified to Provincials at South Fraser Zones and finished 13th in the province with a 2-2 record over the weekend. Thank you to coach Bindra, the student coaches, and managers! Congratulations on an outstanding season!

## **Spring Break Family Activities**

The City is offering some low-cost as well as free family-friendly events and activities (<u>richmond.ca/SpringBreak</u> (<u>link</u>)) over the upcoming Spring Break (Mar 15-Apr 1).