



FAMILY WAAG

November 20 – November 24, 2023

Monday November 20	Tuesday November 21	Wednesday November 22	Thursday November 23	Friday November 24
DCBA (Day 1)	ABCD (Day 2)	AB (Day 1)	CD (Day 2)	DCBA (Day 1)
	Lock Down Drill @ 8:40 am (Block A)	PLT (8:30am-9:20am) Connections Class (9:20am-10:10am) Early Dismissal (1:05pm) PT Conferences 2pm-4pm	PLT (8:30am-10:10am) Early Dismissal (1:05pm) PT Conferences 2pm-4pm & 6pm-8pm	Fall Season Yearbook Team Photos & Uniform Return 3pm in the Shark Tank

Personalized 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. [LINK](#) to the PLT sign-up website. Plan ahead.

Go Cards

Many student GoCards are still needing to be picked up at the office.

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 assignment are due via MS Teams. See Mr. Nashlund during PLT for assistance.

Seeing Counsellors

For parents wanting to contact counsellors, drop-in visits without a booking are discouraged. Please call the office (604-668-6668) or email the counsellors directly. Booking will allow for necessary planning to occur which make the meetings more productive.

Gratitude

Thank you to Ms. Ng in the office for coordinating all of the pieces for the publishing of the MidTerm Report Cards on MyEdBC. This an important and challenging task. Thank you to the PHE Department for being flexible and sharing their teaching space for both the Remembrance Day ceremonies (set-up too) and the Grade 9 Immunization Clinic. Thank you to Mr. Stoddard for leading and organizing all aspects of our comprehensive and busy Athletics Department, which is notable busier as the Fall and Winter seasons overlap. Of note, he is still coaching and has just led the Senior Boys Volleyball team to qualifying to the BC Championships in Victoria.

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 [here](#).

Family Erase Sessions for Safe, Caring and Respectful Digital Communities

Three free virtual *erase* learning sessions for families will be held on November 8, 28, and 30, focusing on establishing safe, caring, and respectful digital communities. These sessions are best suited for families

and youth aged 10 and above. Families may register at this link: [erase family sessions november 2023.pdf](#). Please contact erase@gov.bc.ca with any questions or for more information.

Feeding Futures School Program Fund

Recently, the provincial government announced a new Feeding Futures School Program Fund, designed to assist schools in the development and enhancement of school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students.

If you would like to request support for your child at school, please reach out to Ms. Varghese (avarghese@sd38.bc.ca), Mrs. Fackler (bfackler@sd38.bc.ca) or Mr. Nashlund (nnashlund@sd38.bc.ca). We are gathering information and look to provide ongoing support wherever possible. Implementation plans are underway, and we want to ensure families are aware, and as always, able to reach out if they require support. All requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with families to ensure that your children have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov 29	Grads vs Teachers Dodgeball at lunch
Dec 1	Pro-D Day
Dec 6	Collaboration Time (in PLT 1)
Dec 6	Evacuation Drill @ 1:15pm (Block B)
Dec 7	Winter Music Concert
Dec 8	Grade 8 Social Responsibility Day
Dec 12	Conference Day #1
Dec 21	Progress Alert emailed home
Dec 22	Breakfast with Santa (Last day before Winter Break)

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 [SchoolCashOnline](#) 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.

Athletics

The Fall season for Sharks Athletics is in play-off and Zones. Winter season is just getting under way with many [Basketball team try-outs](#) continuing this week. Reminder, for the most up to date news about teams, schedules, and [tryouts](#) please visit our [Sharks Athletics Instagram account](#) on a regular basis and/or see the [gym schedule](#). Schedules for all the teams (volleyball, boys soccer, XC, swimming AND Basketball) are [here](#).

Fall Season Uniform return and Team Photos will be on Friday, Nov. 24th at 3pm in the Shark Tank.

CLC 8-12

Attention parents – SLSS is holding its second Career Fair on December 12th, 2023. We would like to share a great opportunity and invite any parents from various professions, businesses and career paths to participate to share and highlight their career at our career fair. Grade 10's, 11's and 12's will be visiting the Career Fair over 2 sessions (roughly 9:30am to 12:35pm). If you are interested in participating, or have further question please send an email to Ms. Sidhu-Grewal – rsidhu-grewal@sd38.bc.ca Thank you in advance for your support.

SLSS SciHealth Alliance

SLSS SciHealth Alliance is hosting their first seminar featuring Cathy Cozma, a graduate student in medical sciences from UBC. This will be held on Tuesday November 28th at lunch in room 702!

Parent-Teacher Conferences

All information is on our [website](#) and was emailed to families this week. Bookings close at noon the day before each PT Conference session. Please note if there are no appointments available for a teacher, you may still reach out to your child's teacher by email to make arrangements to discuss your child's progress.

Bell Schedule on PT Conference Days

PLT 1	8:30am – 9:20am (50 minutes)
PLT 2	9:20am – 10:10am (50 minutes)
A or C	10:20am – 11:35am (75 minutes)
Break	11:35am – 11:50am (15 minutes)
B or D	11:50am – 1:05pm (75 minutes)

Are you having challenges with MyEdBC?

Here are some resources and tips on our [website](#). While here is the [link](#) to the "Request Assistance" webform to describe your challenge to our office staff who will respond to you with targeted help.