

December 11 – December 15, 2023



FAMILY WAAG

Monday December 11	Tuesday December 12	Wednesday December 13	Thursday December 14	Friday December 15
DCBA (Day 1)	ABCD (Day 2)	AB (Day 1)	CD (Day 2)	DCBA (Day 1)
	Conference Day #1 (schedule on website)	PLT (8:30am-10:10am)	PLT (8:30am-10:10am)	

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

Go Cards & Artona Photo Orders

A few remaining student, GoCards and photo orders 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.

December 12th is a Conference Day for Connections Classes. *Students must bring a pen/pencil and are encouraged to consider bringing some pencil crayons/markers for a poster contest to finish the day,*

Full size on [website](#) AND will be shared by email/Teams.

Time	Gr. 8's	Gr. 9's	Gr. 10's	Gr. 11's	Gr. 12's
Homeroom	Welcome & Land Acknowledgement over the PA, attendance.				
Homeroom Session 1 8:30-8:45	Homeroom Session 1 - Shape of the Day, Check In.	Homeroom Session 1 - Shape of the Day, Check In.	Homeroom Session 1 - Shape of the Day, Check In.	Homeroom Session 1 - Shape of the Day, Check In.	Homeroom Session 1 - Shape of the Day, Check In.
8:45 – 9:50	Eating Disorders – Janyyn & Laura (VCH) via Teams in Homeroom	Eating Disorders – Janyyn & Laura (VCH) via Teams in Homeroom	Course Program Planning - in Homeroom	Growth Mindset - in Homeroom	Capstone Check-in (show Learning Journey progress) - in Homeroom
BREAK 9:50 -10:00	BREAK (10 mins)				
Session 2 10-11:20	RASS – Gaming Addiction via Teams in Homeroom	RASS – Gaming Addiction via Teams in Homeroom	Homeroom 1 st > Legends Gym SD38 Career TRADE Programs – with Mr. Thackway	Homeroom 1 st > Legends Gym SD38 Career TRADE Programs – with Mr. Thackway	Homeroom 1 st > Shark Tank Career/ Volunteer Fair (fill in Career Brochures – bring a pen)
Break 11:20-11:30	BREAK (10 mins)				
Session 3 11:30-12:50	Telus Wise Happiness PPT - in Homeroom	Telus Wise Happiness PPT - in Homeroom	Homeroom 1 st > Shark Tank Career/ Volunteer Fair (fill in Career Brochures – bring a pen)	Homeroom 1 st > Shark Tank Career/ Volunteer Fair (fill in Career Brochures – bring a pen)	Homeroom 1 st > Legends Gym “Fostering Anti-Racism at SLSS” – Destine Lord & Baren Tsui (bring a pen)
LUNCH 12:50-1:35	LUNCH BREAK (50 mins)				
Session 4 1:40 -3:00	In homeroom Reflections, Sharing in Circle & Core Competency Post (x2) In homeroom - Poster Competition	In homeroom Reflections, Sharing in Circle & Core Competency Post (x2) In homeroom - Poster Competition	In homeroom Reflections, Sharing in Circle & Core Competency Post (x2) In homeroom - Poster Competition	In homeroom Reflections, Sharing in Circle & Core Competency Post (x2) In homeroom - Poster Competition	In homeroom – Reflections, Sharing in Circle & Core Competency Post (x2) QR code & Drop-Box for commitments (2:15-3:00) TVR Assembly > Legends Gym

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.

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.

City of Richmond’s Winter Wonderland Skating – schedule for December 15 – January 7.

City of Burnaby School Canoe Program – the City of Burnaby, Outdoor Recreation department, is accepting applications for their spring School Canoe Program. The program is geared towards Grades 5 to 12, with a maximum of 30 participants per session. Any questions can be directed to Jamie Barber at 604-294-7224 or Jamie.barber@burnaby.ca.

PAC asking for volunteers (see flyer below)

Let’s make some pancakes together! Join us for this legendary event as we ring in the Christmas Season and celebrate a great 1st semester! Please join us for prep & setup on 21 December 5:00 to 8:00pm ~Breakfast will be served to students and staff on 22 December 7:30-9:30am~ Click to [Sign-up](#).

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Dec 21 IE (Progress Alert) Interims emailed home
- Dec 22 Breakfast with Santa (Last day before Winter Break)
- Jan 8 School Re-Opens after Winter Break
- Jan 10 Collaboration Time
- Jan 12 Grade 7 Articulation Breakfast
- Jan 17 Connections Class (9:20am-10:10am)
- Jan 18 Program Planning Evening
- Jan 15 – Jan 26 Grad Assessments
- Jan 22 – Jan 31 Grad Photos
- Jan 24 Grade 7 Parent Info Night
- Jan 26 Last Day of Semester 1
- Jan 29 Semester Turn Around Day (No Classes)
- Jan 30 First Day of Semester 2
- Jan 30 Block Order Change - DCBA (1)

Food Bank Drive

Student Council will be starting their annual **Food Bank Drive on Wednesday, December 13th during Block A.** This year’s drive will be a competition against grades to see who can donate the most items and the winning grade will be getting a sweet treat after the break! **Please bring in any cash or non-perishable items to donate to the Food Bank and give these to you Block A teacher.**

Athletics

Winter season is well under way with many [Basketball](#) teams being finalized. 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 (Basketball) are [here](#).

Gratitude

[Thank you](#) to our entire school community for getting through a very challenging week. Our collective ability to show respect and care for each other was tangible. [Thank you](#) to Ms. Corea and her team of students who planned and orchestrated a great Grade 8 Social Responsibility Day! [Thank you](#) to Mr. Mikulin and the band & choir students who put on several great performance this week – it was very special to see so many talented individuals work together to create beautiful ensemble pieces!

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.

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](#).

Upcoming Music Concerts

Dec 13-- Aberdeen Centre (BC Children's Fundraiser clinical Trials). 12:30PM

DONATE TO OUR CHARITY WEB PAGES FOR BC CHILDREN'S AND Pass on to Friends:

Sunny Days 1 Visit my page here: <https://secure.bchf.ca/ICE?274640>

Sunny Days 2 Visit my page here: <https://secure.bchf.ca/ICE?274641>

Lost & Found:

There are valuable lost items waiting to be claimed in the lost & found bin. We will have all items displayed in the Williams lounge starting Monday Dec 11th. Come and have a look if any of these items belong to you. Any unclaimed items will be donated to local charity during the winter break.

SLSS SciHealth Alliance:

SLSS SciHealth Alliance is hosting our next seminar/workshop featuring Katie Baillie and Justin White, both completing their graduate programs at UBC related to cancer genetics research and DNA repair pathways. This will be held on Thursday, December 14th during PLT 2 in room 702! Come and don’t miss out on this amazing opportunity!

Launch of Suicide Crisis Line (9-8-8)

Launched by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Canada’s new suicide crisis helpline started taking calls last week. People across the country can call and text 9-8-8, a three-digit number for suicide prevention, giving people experiencing thoughts of suicide, or people worried about someone else, an accessible and easy number to call when they need urgent help. Help is also available through [Kids Help Phone](#) (1-800-668-6868) and the [Hope for Wellness Help Line](#) (1-855-242-3310). The Hope for Wellness Helpline is available to all Indigenous people across Canada. Experienced and culturally competent counsellors are reachable by telephone and online ‘chat’ 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

REDI – Reconciliation, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

2023 Human Rights Day as Freedom, Equality and Justice
December 10, 2023, marks the 75th anniversary of **Human Rights Day**. The United Nations has declared the theme for 2023 Human Rights Day as **Freedom, Equality and Justice** for all, regardless of race, colour, religion, sex, language, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth, or other status. [Learn more about the day](#) when it was first declared and what can we do to learn and do more for justice for all.

breakfast
with
Santa 
IS BACK!

Dec 22 @ 7:30am

Come help make some pancakes as PAC works together with StuCo to put on this legendary event.

It is a fun way to meet other SLSS parents, chat and share a laugh as we mix, flip, and serve together!

[2023 Breakfast With Santa — Signup Sheet](#)

