

# February 12 – February 16, 2024

Monday February 12	Tuesday February 13	Wednesday February 14	Thursday February 15	Friday February 16
ABCD (Day 2)	DCBA (Day 1)	BA (Day 2)  PLT (8:30am-10:10am)  PAC Meeting	DC (Day 1)  PLT (8:30am-10:10am)  Meet the Teacher 3:45-4:40pm	(No classes)  Pro-D Day



# FAMILY WAAS

### 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 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.

### 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](mailto: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.

### 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](#).

### Gratitude

Thank you to Ms. Ng in the office for calmly collating and publishing the report cards for over 1200 students!

Thank you to all of the sponsors of the first Cypress trip for coordinating all of the moving pieces to ensure the field trip was a success, despite the lack of snow.

Thank you to our Winter Season coaches/sponsors who have put in so many hours of volunteer time to support student extra-curricular athletics.

Thank you to our PE Athletic Leadership students who have been integral to ensuring our Winter Season of Athletics has been a success. From scorekeeping, to reffing, to running the tournaments – your commitment is appreciated!

### 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](#).

### Modern Languages Placement Evaluations:

The Modern Languages department will be conducting placement evaluations on Wed, Feb 21 during PLT. For more info, click [here](#).

### Athletics

Winter season is nearing the play-offs with many of our Basketball teams doing very well so far. 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 and Table Tennis) are [here](#). Play-offs are upcoming. Spring Season will be soon to follow.

### Meet the Teacher for Semester Two on February 15<sup>th</sup>:

The Meet the Teacher portion of the evening will take place from 3:35-4:40pm. Students and parents will receive an emailed pdf copy of a schedule for the evening the week of February 12<sup>th</sup>. The schedule for the Meet the Teacher will be as follows:

- A – 3:45 – 3:55 PM
- B – 4:00 – 4:10 PM
- C – 4:15 – 4:25 PM
- D – 4:30 – 4:40 PM

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Feb 19	BC Family Day (School Closed)
Feb 21	Modern Languages Placement Evaluations (PLT)
Feb 23	Gr. 8 Social Responsibility Day
Feb 26	EF Meeting @3:15pm
Feb 26-28	Gr. 7 Blue & Gold Clasic
Feb 28	Connections Class (9:20am-10:10am)
Feb 28	Pink Shirt Day
Feb 29	Progress Reports emailed home
Mar 13	Connections Class (9:20-10:10am)
Mar 13	PAC Meeting
Mar 14	Last day of school before Spring Break

### 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.** [SummerLearning2024 General Information.pdf](#)

### 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](#)

### Reconciliation, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

The Multifaith Society calendar is available electronically to all staff and parents. When you place your cursor on the dates in the calendar, a brief information on practices, holy days and observances will pop up for quick reference and understanding. Simply click on this link [SD38-Multifaith Society Calendar](#). No username or password is required.

**Happy Lunar New Year to SLSS Families :** Lunar New Year occurs on February 10, 2024. In Chinese tradition each year the Chinese zodiac is associated with an animal sign. Lunar New Year 2024 is the Year of the Dragon. The dragon is considered a symbol of strength, courage and good fortune. Happy new year to all who observe this tradition!