



FAMILY WAAG

Oct. 21 – Oct. 25, 2024

| Monday Oct. 21 | Tuesday Oct. 22 | Wednesday Oct. 23 | Thursday Oct. 24 | Friday Oct. 25 |
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| ABCD (Day 1) | DCBA (Day 2) | BA (Day 1) PLT (8:30am-9:20am) Connections Class (9:20am-10:10am) DAG Meeting @ 7:00pm | DC (Day 2) PLT (8:30am-10:10am) | Pro-D Day (No Classes) |

Reminders

PLT Make a plan! More info [HERE](#)

Health & Safety reminder – please stay home if you are not feeling well and let us know

School Fees – check SchoolCashOnline to pay any outstanding fees, upcoming filed trips and events

SLSS Career Centre Information - Here is a [LINK](#) to Ms. Digeso’s page on our website. There is information on Scholarships, Volunteer/Work Opportunities, Careers, Post-Secondary, etc.

2024-2025 Family Wall Calendar on our [website](#).

Clubs Information [here](#).

SLSS Athletics Gym Schedule

Connection Classes:

Students should all make themselves familiar with MS Teams (download to a device or use the computers in the library) as much of the Connections Days (Careers 8/9/10 and CLC 11 & CLC 12) material and assignments are located on MS Teams. Our next Connections Class is this Wednesday, October 23rd.

Student and Family Affordability Fund and Feeding Futures Fund

This past spring, the provincial government announced a renewal of one-time funds for the *Student and Family Affordability Fund* ([link](#)). This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs in the following areas:

- School and course fees
- School supplies and course materials
- Field trips
- School-related extracurricular opportunities
- Clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities

Please reach out to Mrs. Fackler (bfackler@sd38.bc.ca), Mr. Nashlund (nnashlund@sd38.bc.ca), or Ms. Varghese (avarghese@sd38.bc.ca), if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

Digital Device FAQs

Please read this FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) document on our [website](#). There are some great points of clarification in regard to device (i.e. cell phone) usage with references to PLT and students on a prep.

Erase Refresh: Launch of New Website and Resources

The Ministry of Education and Child Care has refreshed the *Expect Respect and a Safe Education* (*erase*) website ([link](#)). Launched on Friday, September 6, the new website features a streamlined design with improved access to information and resources for students, adults, and school staff. In addition, you will find two new videos, a downloadable poster, and a QR code decal to promote *erase* in schools.

Grads – Yearbook “Grad Write-Ups and Baby Photos”

Grade 12s: Don’t miss this opportunity. Due date is Sunday, December 1st. Information on our [website](#) and was emailed directly to grade 12s.

Richmond International Education – 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](#).

DATES TO REMEMBER:

October 30-31
November 6

Grad Assessments (details TBA)
Collaboration Time (Staff)

November 6-7

November 8
November 11
November 12
November 13
November 15
November 19
November 20
November 21

Grade 9 Take Your Kids To Work Day

Grad Assessments (details TBA)

Remembrance Day Ceremony
Remembrance Day (School Closed)

Block Order Change
PAC Meeting

Grade 9 Immunization Clinic
Post Secondary Fair (3:30pm-5:00pm)

Connections Class (9:20am-10:10am)
Report Cards (Learning Updates) published to MyEdBC

Gratitude

Thank you to the few Shark Ambassadors who helped to volunteer and help with Photo Retakes.

Thank you to our many staff who plan field trips to enrich student learning. We have had some amazing field trips recently, with more to come, and we are so proud of our students when they represent our school so well.

Thank you to StuCo student rep nominees for bravely putting their names forward as candidates for Student Council.

Thank you to Ms. Girard and the SS department for spearheading the Student Vote to simulate the BC Provincial Election.

Remembrance Day Ceremony

Remembrance Day Ceremony – Cadets Needed for Flag Party. Our Remembrance Day Ceremony is coming up next month on Friday, November 8th and we are looking for students who are cadets to be part of the Flag Party. If your child is a cadet and they are able and willing to help with marching in the flags for our Remembrance Day Ceremony, please ask them to see Mrs. Fackler in the office and she will add them to the list. We are also looking for MCs for the Remembrance Day Ceremony. If you are interested in it, please also come to see Mrs. Fackler in the office. Alternatively, please email bfackler@sd38.bc.ca. Thanks in advance for your help with this!

Game of Apps

Final notice: Game of Apps registrations will close soon, on October 18. This is a comprehensive weekly after-school program where you will learn coding, design and entrepreneurship from professionals working in the Tech industry. The Richmond School District is providing a \$100 subsidy (limited quantities). Last year's champions were from New Westminster but the previous year's winners were from Richmond. Can we bring the trophy back to Richmond this season? Please see <https://gameofapps.org> for more information on the program and how to register.

City of Richmond Diversity Symposium

The **2024 City of Richmond Diversity Symposium** ([link](#)) is a free conference for professionals, volunteers and community members interested in advancing diversity, equity and inclusion in their communities. The event’s theme, *Reimagining Our Futures*, invites everyone to explore innovative, inclusive practices that build equitable futures and outcomes.

Tuesday, October 29, 2024
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Richmond City Hall

Registration and program information are available at <https://www.richmond.ca/culture/social/inclusion/diversitysymposium.htm>.

VCH Health Care Career Open House for Youth

Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) is hosting a Health Care Career Open House for youth on **Friday, October 25, 2024 at Vancouver General Hospital from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** The purpose of the open house is to engage students and provide them with an opportunity to talk to health care professionals and related post-secondary school programs.

SLSS 2025 DAG

DAG is looking for parents/caregivers from the SLSS community interested in joining the DAG. Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 23rd at 7 pm at the school.