



# FAMILY WAAG

April 14<sup>th</sup> – April 20<sup>th</sup>

Monday Apr. 14	Tuesday Apr. 15	Wednesday Apr. 16	Thursday Apr. 17	Friday Apr. 18	Sat/Sun Apr. 19/20
ABCD (Day 1)	DCBA (Day 2)	BA (Day 1)	DC (Day 2)	Good Friday	
		PLT (8:30am - 10:10am)	PLT (8:30am - 10:10am)	School Closed	
	Fine Arts Night 6:00pm – 8:00pm	Evacuation Drill	Scholarship Deadline @ 4:00pm		(20 <sup>th</sup> ) Easter Sunday

**Repeated Important Information:**

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

**Health & Safety reminder** – please stay home if you’re not feeling well AND call the Early Warning Line (604-668-6670).

**School Fees** – check SchoolCashOnline to pay any outstanding fees, upcoming field 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.

**Digital Device FAQs**

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

**Take Care of Your Valuables**

Parents, please remind your children to take care of their valuables at school including technology, clothing/shoes, and cash if they bring them to school. We recommend that students leave their valuables at home but if you do bring it school, please lock them up in your locker. Do not share your locker combinations with anyone. If you need to sign up for a locker, please come to the office and we can assign you one.

**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](mailto:bfackler@sd38.bc.ca)), Mr. Nashlund ([nnashlund@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:nnashlund@sd38.bc.ca)), or Ms. Varghese ([avarghese@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:avarghese@sd38.bc.ca)), if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

April 21	Easter Monday (School Closed)
April 22	Conference Day #2 (Capstone Festival)
April 23	Block Order Change
April 24	S1 Mid-Term Report Cards published on MyEdBC
Apr 30/May 1	Parent-Teacher Conferences
May 2	Grade 8 SR Day
May 5-16	AP Exams
May 14	PAC Meeting @ 7:00pm
May 16	Non-Instructional Day (no classes)
May 19	Victoria Day (School Closed)

**Gratitude**

**Thank you** to all students and staff who ensured the April Graduation Assessments went smoothly.

**Thank you** Mr. Aun, Ms. Campbell, and the supervising staff who made the second Whistler Ski trip a success for over 100 SLSS students!

**Thank you** to the PE Leadership students and the Photography students who organized team yearbook photos for the Spring Season.

**Spectrum Program Availability**

Attention current Grade 8 and Grade 9 students, are you interesting in cohort learning, are you keen to challenge yourself with new learning opportunities, do you enjoy working with others. If you answered "Yes" to these questions, then please consider applying for the Spectrum Program. There are a few open spots in Grade 9 and Grade 10. Application packages are available outside room 405 and applications are due Thursday April 17th.

**Girls in Data Science Summer Camp at UBC**

The Girls in Data Science Summer Camp at UBC is a three-day program from July 7-9, 2025, designed for girls and gender minorities in grades 8-12 to explore data science and statistics. Info is on our [website](#).

**City of Richmond Youth Art Contest**

The City of Richmond is hosting the [Youth Art Contest](#) as part of the [Official Community Plan \(OCP\) Targeted Update](#). The City is inviting youth to share their vision for the future through art. More information is on our [website](#).

**First Responders**

The SLSS First Responders Team is opening up applications for the next school year! If you have a passion in volunteering or hold a first aid certificate, be sure to apply [HERE](#) before the deadline of **April 21 @ 11:59PM!** Candidates who are selected will be able to go through an interview process for a spot on the team! We will also be holding a general meeting for anyone interested or has questions on **April 10, PLT 2**, don’t miss out!”

**Summer Learning 2025**

Interested in signing your child(ren) for a Summer Learning Course? Please visit our [website](#) for more information.

will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

**Fine Art Night**

SLSS’s Fine and Performing Arts Department will be presenting Fine Arts Night on April 15<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 8pm. Visual art, including sculpture, paintings and photographs will be on display. The dance team, our talented bands, choir and string quartet will be performing and there will be theatre presentations and screening of short films. The event is open to all and is absolutely free! Make sure you set the date aside to see our talented students present their creative and inspirational work!

**VCH Immunization Update**

Please see letter on our [website](#) regarding vaccinations, which are especially important with the measles on the rise.

**Strategic Plan Open Houses in April 2025**

The Richmond School District is hosting a series of open houses in April to engage parents and caregivers in the 2025-2030 Strategic Plan process. These sessions will provide an opportunity to learn more about the plan, ask questions, and share feedback that will help shape the district’s priorities for the next five years.

**Upcoming Open Houses**

- **April 8, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** at McMath Secondary
- **April 14, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** at Palmer Secondary
- **April 15, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** at Burnett Secondary
- **April 24, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** at Cambie Secondary
- **April 28, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** Online session ([Click here to register](#))

For more details and ongoing updates on the strategic planning process, please visit [sd38.bc.ca/strategicplan](https://sd38.bc.ca/strategicplan).