



# FAMILY WAAG

June 16<sup>th</sup> – June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Monday June 16	Tuesday June 17	Wednesday June 18	Thursday June 19	Friday June 20	Sat/Sun June 21/June 22
DCBA (Day 2)	ABCD (Day 1)  Locker Clean-Out @ 11:10am	AB (Day 2)  PLT (8:30am - 10:10am) Grad Rehearsal (8:30am - 10:10am)	CD (Day 1)  PLT (8:30am - 10:10am)	DCBA (Day 2)	Commencement @ Chan Centre (21 <sup>st</sup> )  National Indigenous People’s Day (21 <sup>st</sup> )

**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.

**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 ([mnashlund@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:mnashlund@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 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.

**Lost and Found Reminder:**

If you have lost a water bottle or any clothing item this year, please check the lost and found outside the library. There are quite a few lost and lonely water bottles that need you to bring them home.



**Bike Theft Alert:**

Please be aware that we have seen an increase in bike thefts at many schools in Richmond. Please ensure your bike is secured with a high-quality lock.



**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

June 19	Damage/Lost items to our Business Assistant
June 21	Commencement Ceremony @ UBC 1pm
June 23-25	Learning Support Days
June 24	Yearbook Distribution and Certificate pick-up SharkFest
June 26	Report Cards Published on MyEdBC
June 27	Administrative Day
June 28	Red Carpet, Dinner Dance, Dry After Grad

**Gratitude**

**Thank you** to Mr. Stoddard and the PE Leadership students who planned and organized a very successful SLSS Athletics Banquet, celebrating the many accomplishments of our teams and student-athletes.

**Thank you** to EAs Mr. M. Stoneburgh and Ms. V. Johnstone who supported a number of our AWE (Athletes with Exceptions) at the BC Track & Field Championship. Many medals, ribbons, and smiles were on display by the end of the day.

**Grad Rehearsal:**

This is on Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am – 10:00am. This is important and mandatory for all grade 12s attending the Commencement Ceremony. A lot of important information will be covered, routines rehearsed, and tickets/gowns distributed.

**Wakayama City to Richmond in November 2025**

We are delighted to announce the return of the Richmond–Wakayama Sister School Exchange Program, resuming for the first time since 2019. The City of Richmond has proudly maintained a Sister City relationship with Wakayama, Japan since July 16, 1973, and we are very excited to welcome a group of visiting students from Wakayama this November.

During their stay, the visiting Japanese students will experience daily life, as Richmond secondary school student, attending classes alongside with their local student peers and engaging in a variety of cultural and educational activities. This exchange provides a unique and meaningful opportunity for cross-cultural learning, friendship, and mutual understanding.

To help make this experience possible, we are currently seeking members of the Steveston-London community to host the visiting students on a voluntary, no-cost basis. Ideally, Steveston-London's host families' children will be interested in participating in a reciprocal visit to Wakayama in the near future.

Hosting a student is a rewarding experience that fosters cultural exchange and builds lasting connections. We believe this program will create unforgettable memories and valuable learning opportunities for both our local Canadian students and the visiting Japanese students.

If your family is interested in hosting or would like more information about the homestay opportunity, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please email Ms. Fackler at [bfackler@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:bfackler@sd38.bc.ca)

Let’s come together as a community to support this meaningful and memorable cultural exchange. "

**Summer Learning 2025**

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

**Summer Learning LEADERSHIP Program 2025**

It is that time of the year for recruiting student volunteer leaders. Please see our [website](#) for more information about the Summer Learning Volunteer Program.

**Locker Clean-Out:** Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:10am (5 extra minutes)

Thank you, in advance, for helping with this process. At 11:10am, a PA announcement will be made, and teachers will have baskets at various positions in the hallways, ensuring students empty their lockers, and return their locks.

**Call Out to Join the SLSS PAC**

See information and details [HERE](#) on our website.

**Volunteer Opportunity for the 2025 International Summer English Program**

The 2025 International Summer English Program will run from **July 7 - August 15, 2025** and the program location will be at **Richmond Secondary School** ([7171 Minoru Blvd.](#), Richmond).

The Richmond International Education Program is recruiting students who would like to volunteer their time to help with this program. Richmond International Education is hoping to have 3 volunteer students per day for a minimum 2-week volunteer work commitment per student. Please see Mrs. Fackler in the office if you would like more information on this opportunity and for an application form.

**Notice of Late Return Form**

For families who will not be returning to school by noon on Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 AND ON or BEFORE September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, please fill out the Notice of Late Return [form](#) and return it to the school office before June 20<sup>th</sup> 2025. Please note - families must return by September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025. If they do not return, they may lose their spot at Steveston-London Secondary.