



# FAMILY WAAG

Dec 15<sup>th</sup> – Dec 21<sup>st</sup>

Monday Dec 15	Tuesday Dec 16	Wednesday Dec 17	Thursday Dec 18	Friday Dec 19	Sat/Sun Dec 20/Dec 21
D PLT CBA (Day 1)	ABCD (Day 2)  DAG Meeting (@ 7:00pm)	DCBA (Day 1)  Henry IV” in the Theatre (@ 7:00pm)	A PLT BCD (Day 2)  At-Risk Reports Emailed Home  Henry IV” in the Theatre (@ 7:00pm)	DCBA (Day 1)  At-Breakfast with Sharky (schedule below)  Last Day of Classes	

**Repeated Important SLSS Information:**

**Log-In: Online Booking System**

For students: Instructions to sign-up are [HERE](#).  
PLT is required. Make a plan and sign-up in advance.

**Health & Safety reminder**

All members of our school community are reminded to regularly wash your hands. Please stay home if you’re not feeling well AND call the Early Warning Line (604-668-6670).

**School Fees – SchoolCashOnline**

Reminder to students to pay any of their fees. Items added throughout the year include Grad events, workbook fees, field trip fees, and athletics fees.

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

**2025-2026 Family Wall Calendar** on our website [HERE](#).

**Clubs Information:** on our website [HERE](#).

**SLSS Athletics**

Last year, we ran more teams than any other SD38 school, which allowed so many students to connect to our school in positive ways. Shark teams will communicate with Shark Athletic MS Teams as opposed to social media platforms. The Gym Schedule is [HERE](#).

**Connection Classes:**

All students should be 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. See Mr. Nashlund, Ms. Yuen, or Ms. Sidhu-Grewal for any questions.

**PLT AI Sessions:**

Students are to attend their homeroom classes on the below dates. Themes/topics of all the AI sessions are also listed below). Lessons include reference to our AI Guidelines for Students (link is [HERE](#)), Videos and Discussion Questions facilitated by homeroom classroom teachers.

Date	Theme	Topic
Nov 13, 2025	Digital Citizenship	Establish your own objectives for a healthy AI partnership
Dec 4, 2025	Digital Citizenship	Digital Footprint
Jan 8, 2026	Getting the Most out of AI	Prompt Engineering
Feb 12, 2026	Getting the Most out of AI	AI Enhanced Communication
Mar 5, 2026	Getting the Most out of AI	AI Agents - Productivity
Apr 2, 2026	Fostering Creativity Through Artificial Intelligence	AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting the Creative Process
May 21, 2026	Fostering Creativity Through Artificial Intelligence	AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting Creative Production

Students seem very engaged with this topic of learning and are asking lots of great questions!

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Jan. 5	School Re-Opens after Winter Break
Jan. 7	Collaboration Day (Staff)
Jan. 12	Program Planning Assemblies (8s & 11s)
Jan. 12/15	GLA 12 Assessments
Jan. 14	Program Planning Assemblies (9s & 10s) PAC Meeting (@ 7:00pm)
Jan. 15	Program Planning Evening (6pm on Teams)
Jan 15-17	Carkner Classic Basketball Tournament
Jan 21-26	Grad Photos

**December 14–22, 2025 – Hanukkah (Jewish)**

*To our Jewish students, staff, and families, we wish you a joyous Hanukkah filled with light, hope, and togetherness. As you light the menorah over eight nights, may this Festival of Lights bring warmth and happiness to your homes and hearts.*

Translation note: Hanukkah (Hebrew: חֲנֻכָּה) means “dedication” and commemorates the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. Pronounced: KHAH-noo-kah or HAH-nuh-kah, depending on accent.

**Gratitude**

Thank you to all alumni, parents, and community members who volunteered their time at a booth in our Careers Fair. Students enjoyed visiting and asking questions.

Thank you to Ms. Yuen and Ms. Sidhu-Grewal for organizing a successful Conference Day on Wednesday!

Thank you to Mr. Mikulin for bringing music into our gym, during the day and on Thursday evening. The Winter holiday spirit is here. There was so much talent, passion, rhythm, and musicality on display.

**ELL Support**

All ELL students are encouraged to attend PLT with an ELL teacher at least twice a month to get additional support.

**Retake Student ID Cards**

These are ready to pick-up at Main Office. We anticipate student photo packages will soon follow.

**Fall ➔ Winter Athletics Season**

As Volleyball winds down, we are getting ready for Basketball Season. Please check the athletics gym schedule on the school website for all tryout dates.

**Breakfast with Sharky Bell Schedule**

Time	Block
7:30-9:50	Breakfast and Performances
9:50-10:35	Block D
10:45-11:30	Block C
11:30-11:50	Nutrition Break
11:50-12:35	Block B
12:45-1:30	Block A

**DAG 2026**

The next DAG meeting is on December 16th at 7 pm in the school library. All parents/guardians are welcome!

**In the Community - Things to do this Winter Break in Richmond**

Take in the creative festive light displays while wandering throughout Steveston Village, City Hall Plaza, Britannia Shipyards and other areas of the city, drop-in for a Winter Wonderland public skating session or a family swim at Minoru Centre for Active Living and so much more.

There are also lots of holiday-themed and regular programs this season including crafts, music, social gatherings, sports and winter daycamps for children. [Click here for schedules and holiday hours](#) for all City facilities.

**Annual Food Drive**

Our Annual Food Drive for the Richmond Food Bank runs Dec. 8–18. Please send non-perishable food or cash donations to school, or give online via SchoolCashOnline [HERE](#). Every bit helps our community! More info also on our [website](#) too.

**Winter Drama Production:**

Drama Club is presenting “Henry IV”. Opening night is December 12 at 7 p.m. and then two more evening shows on December 17 and 18. Tickets sold at the door of the theatre.

**PAC Volunteers Needed for December 18 & 19**

Come help to make breakfast as PAC works together with StuCo to put on this joyful event! helpers needed Dec 18 & 19 details in link/QR code in [attached poster](#).

**Lost and Found Reminder:**

If you have lost a water bottle or any clothing item this year, please check the lost and found table that will be set up outside the Shark Tank starting on Monday, December 15 until Thursday, December 18. After the 18<sup>th</sup>, these items will be donated. For valuable items (e.g. cellphones etc), please check at the office.