

# BOBCAT WAG

JUNE 17-21



## MONDAY, JUNE 17

## TUESDAY, JUNE 18



Year end band concert @ 1:15 in the gym--family and friends welcome!



## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19



Gina Lina music performance for Strongstart families and K-3 students--younger siblings invited!



PAC HOT LUNCH PIZZA!  
Bring a plate!

## THURSDAY, JUNE 20



Year end school wide field trip to Centennial Beach! Thank you to our PAC for providing the transportation for the entire school!



## FRIDAY, JUNE 21



Grade 7 Farewell Assembly @ 9am in the gym



## FINAL WEEK IN SESSION

**Monday, June 24**--Recognition Assembly @ 9am--acknowledging all of our student leaders, our PAC and staff leaving

**Tuesday, June 25**--Grade 6 and K immunizations

**Wednesday, June 26**--

**Thursday, June 27**-- Last day of school this year--2:45pm dismissal

**Friday, June 28**--Administrative Day--no school for students

Weekly

Joke

Do you have a joke or riddle to share with our Bobcat community? Send it to Ms. Rooney via email or write it out on a piece of paper and drop it off at the office. If your joke is chosen you can win a treat or a prize! Remember to keep the jokes "G" rated!



What is a golfer's favourite letter?





# UPDATES FROM THE PAC

## UPCOMING HOT LUNCH



### PIZZA WEDNESDAY

Wed, June 19 - Pizza  
Wed, June 26 - Pizza

### FRIDAY HOT LUNCH

Fri, June 21 - Taco Luis

Jun 21 is the Grade 7 Graduation Ceremony. Grade 7 students will be having their own lunch that day.

## NOTES RE: MUNCHALUNCH

- Access to MunchaLunch will CLOSE and orders will be DELETED soon
- If you need any receipts/info/past orders from your MunchaLunch account, please download now
- If you have any unused credit in your account, it will be rolled over to September unless you instruct us otherwise

## STAFF & TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCH

Thank you to everyone for your contributions to the Staff and Teacher's Lunch on Tuesday. We saw some amazing dishes cooked by Blundell parents! Thank you for your time and effort to provide all the food, desserts, appetizers, drinks, and treats for our Blundell staff members!



### CONTACT THE PAC

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### LINK TREE

<https://linktr.ee/blundell.elementary.pac>

### VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

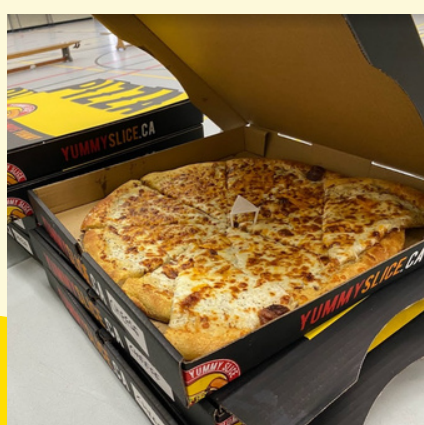
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# UPDATES

# FROM THE PAC

## FUN PAC FACTS

The weekly Hot Lunches are our biggest fundraisers at Blundell. ALL of the money that we raise goes back to the school! Thank you for your support every time you order food or volunteer at the school!



### DID YOU KNOW...

WE ORGANIZED

# 52

**HOT LUNCHES THIS SCHOOL YEAR**

(25 of those were Pizza days!)

EVERY PIZZA DAY, WE ORDER

# 13X-LARGE CHIPS



ON SPORTS DAY, WE ATE

**HOT DOGS**

(+300 bags of chips + 300 juice boxes + freezies)

# 538

### FUNDRAISING SUCCESS!

Through the lunch sales and snack sales, the PAC raised over **\$15,500** this school year! Thank you to all families for your support!



With PAC fundraising, PLUS funding from the BC Gaming Grant and Richmond Neighbourhood Grant, the PAC budget paid for:

- **SCHOOL EVENTS** like Skate Night and the Beach field trip
- **LUNCH** for Sports Day, staff lunch for teachers, and treats for students at Halloween and throughout the year
- **FIELD TRIPS** to the Space Centre, Playland, Gateway Theatre, Minoru Children's Festival, swimming pools, animation workshop, and the Richmond Nature Park
- **GRAD GIFTS** for our graduating class
- **SUBSIDIES** for every teacher and EA to buy things for their classrooms such as craft supplies, stickers, games, treats, prizes, books, workbooks, and flower bulbs for the garden!

**THANK YOU** to our dedicated parent volunteers who come to the school every Wednesday and Friday to help distribute lunches and sell snacks. Thank you for your time and your help!

# UPDATES

# Staff

Here is an update about staff changes for September 2024.

Mr. Dennis has been at Blundell for 7 years and has almost become a right of passage for our grade 6 and 7 students. He is a very kind and patient teacher who has outstanding relationships with his students, and staff of course. His extra curricular involvement and organization of student vs staff volleyball games will be a key memory for us! We wish Mr. Dennis well as he moves to Anderson Elementary to teach grade 6/7.

Ms. Lam has also been at Blundell for seven years. She has taught grades 1, 2 and 3. Ms. Lam's class, if you were to speak with her previous students would share their fond memories of field trips and robots! Students could be seen programming little rolling bots that made their way through tricky roads. Ms. Lam is a very patient and caring teacher who will be dearly missed. We wish Ms. Lam good luck at McNeely Elementary where she will join another Blundell teacher to teach grade 2/3.

Ms. O'Connell has been teaching Kindergarten at Blundell for 7 years (noticing a pattern). Many of our grade 7 students will remember her as their K teacher. She is a very kind, patient and compassionate teacher who shares her singing with us and the students. She shows the patience of about 10 people as she works with our youngest learners. We will miss her as she is off to teach grade 2/3 at McNeely Elementary.

Ms. Leung joined Blundell in the fall as an EA and has worked with a variety of students this year. She is a very flexible individual with her skillset and works as a member of a team. We wish her well at her new school Mitchell.

Ms. Rekhi has been with Blundell for the past 3 years. She first joined us a teacher candidate with Mr. Dennis. We then were able to keep her for 6 months and then for 2 years. She has played an exemplary role with our oldest students in grade 6/7 sharing her passion for math and science with them and us. We appreciate her organization and detail with school wide events. We wish her well on her next role as an LRT teacher at Walter Lee.

Mr. Forrest has been with us for two years as an LRT teacher working mainly with our grade 4s and 5s. He is one of our tech gurus and kept our iPads and laptops in tip top shape, not to mention being our tech support line too! Mr. Forrest we wish you well as you head off to McKinney as an LRT teacher.

Ms. Van Deventer has been a part of the Blundell community in a variety of roles, from covering maternity leaves (several years ago) to joining as an LRT teacher with the RSP program. She shares her expertise with us all and keeps us organized. Her attention to detail and her consummate professionalism is a real treat for the bobcat community. Ms. Van Deventer is off to join the Langley School District as an LRT teacher.

Mr. Rashid joined us in the fall as a Learning Enhancement Teacher and spent much of his time in Division 8. He is a very kind and patient teacher that helps to keep us calm. He joined us in a temporary role and we look forward to seeing where he will be in September.

Ms. Dineen is an experienced teacher that joined us in March as our prep teacher. We have appreciated her detailed organization and coloured flow charts as she organized Track Attack and the track meet for us. We appreciate all of your hard work! We look forward to seeing where she will be teaching in September.

Ms. Smith joined us in a temporary role as an LRT teacher. She has brought with her smiles, hard work and dedication. She settled into the role very quickly and has worked with some of our youngest learners. She will be greatly missed as a key part of our resource team. We look forward to seeing where she lands teaching in September.

Mr. Justin Roll works in RSP as a Youth and Family Worker for Vancouver Coastal Health. Mr. Roll has been with us for 2 years and he also has a tremendous amount of patience and shows his kind and gentle ways. He has played a roll with Division 3 this year as well. He is leaving us to start his journey to becoming a teacher with the education program at UBC.

STAYING OR NEW TO

# blundell

Ms. Katrina Hong will be moving from grade 4/5 at Blundell to teaching grade 6/7 at Blundell.

Ms Parvinder Gosal joined us in December as an EA on call and enjoyed her time here so much she has stayed through the month of June. We look forward to welcoming her as a permanent member of staff in September. Her patience and kindness are a treat for us all.

Ms. Dora Wo will be joining us as an EA in September 2024. Ms Wo has been an EA on call this year and spent some time with us in the Fall of 2023 in RSP. We look forward to welcoming her aboard!

We will continue to update on staff over the next 2 weeks.

# Sports Day





# Blundell

## YEAR END DATES

**Tuesday, June 18th**--Band concert @ 1:15pm in the gym--Families most welcome

**Wednesday, June 19th**--Ginalina performance for Strongstart families and Blundell K-3 students in the gym

**Thursday, June 20th**--Schoolwide year end fieldtrip to Centennial Beach

**Friday, June 21st**--Grade 7 Farewell Celebration--Assembly at 9am for families

**Monday, June 24th**--Recognition Assembly @ 9am in the gym--families welcome

**Wednesday, June 26th**--Learning Update #3 published

**Thursday, June 27th**--Final day of school--dismissal at 2:45pm

**Friday, June 28th**--Administrative Day--School closed



**June is National Indigenous History Month in Canada, a time to recognize the rich history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis.**

# 2024-2025 BLUNDELL CALENDAR



## Blundell School Calendar 2024-2025

School re-opens after Summer Vacation-----	September 3, 2024
Pro-D – school closed for students-----	September 20, 2024
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.....	September 30, 2024
Thanksgiving Day -----	October 14, 2024
Early Dismissal (11:45 a.m.) -----	October 17, 2024
Pro-D – school closed for students-----	October 25, 2024
Remembrance Day -----	November 11, 2024
Pro-D – school closed for students-----	December 2, 2024
Last day before Winter Vacation -----	December 20, 2024
Winter Break-----	Dec. 23/24-Jan. 3/25
School re-opens after Winter Vacation-----	January 6, 2025
Pro-D – school closed for students.....	January 27, 2025
Early Dismissal (11:45 a.m.)-----	February 13, 2025
Pro-D – school closed for students -----	February 14, 2025
BC Family Day -----	February 17, 2025
Last day before Spring Vacation -----	March 14, 2025
Spring Break -----	March 17-28, 2025
School re-opens after Spring Vacation -----	March 31, 2025
Good Friday-----	April 18, 2025
Easter Monday -----	April 21, 2025
Pro-D – school closed for students-----	May 16, 2025
Victoria Day-----	May 19, 2025
Last day for students-----	June 26, 2025
Admin Day – school closed for students -----	June 27, 2025
Summer Vacation period -----	June 30-August 29, 2025



School reopens after summer vacation:  
September 2, 2025

**T H A N K**  
**Y O U**

To our amazing and wonderful PAC that coordinated today's sports day lunch. Do you know that they cooked over 500 hot dogs--you may have been able to smell it a wee bit, delivered the food to our youngest bobcats and then served the rest of the school and staff? Thank you seems too small a word! We appreciate all that you do for our students, staff and families and today it was a real treat to not have to pack a lunch or snacks!