

# BOBCAT WAG

JUNE 24-27



## MONDAY, JUNE 24



RECOGNITION  
ASSEMBLY  
@9AM  
Families welcome

## TUESDAY, JUNE 25



For  
Kindergarten  
and Grade 6  
students



Recess  
to lunch

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26



FINAL PAC HOT LUNCH  
PIZZA!  
Bring a plate!



Learning  
Update #3  
Published

## THURSDAY, JUNE 27



Last day of school for  
students  
Dismissal at 2:45pm

## FRIDAY, JUNE 28

School closed to  
students



## FIRST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER

**Monday, Sept. 1**--Labour Day Holiday--School closed

**Tuesday, Sept. 2**--First day of school--students attend 8:45-9:45  
and Kindergarten attend 9am to 10am

**Wednesday, Sept. 3**--Students attend 8:45am-2:45pm  
Kindergarten follows gradual entry schedule

Thursday, Sept. 4--Same as Wednesday

Friday, Sept. 5--Same as Wednesday--possible placement in new  
classes this day.

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?  
Fogort the answer last week--Tee!

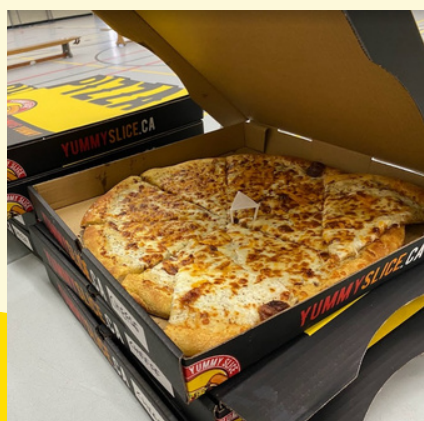


# UPDATES

# 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!)

**13X-LARGE CHEESE PIZZAS**  
our best selling hot lunch item!)



### ON SPORTS

**DAY, WE**

**ATE: 538**

**HOT DOGS**

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

### 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!

**STAFFING**

**UPDATES**

UPDATES TO THE COMINGS AND GOINGS OF STAFF

Ms. Kim Owen joined us this year as an Educational Assistant and she has been a large part of Blundell in a very short amount of time. If you have noticed some wonderful bulletin boards, the organized Lost and Found or just some general tidying up, you can bet she is behind. We will miss her organizational skills as she heads off to McMath for September!

## COMING TO BLUNDELL

We welcome some new staff members this week:

Ms. Brittany Lee will be joining us in September as an LRT/ELL teacher, she joins us from Ferris Elementary.

Ms. Carmen Zhou will be joining us as one of our new K/1 teachers. She is also joining us from Ferris Elementary.

Internal shifts...

Ms. Jada Bella will be moving to a grade 4/5 class at Blundell in the fall and we look forward to seeing her be a full on intermediate teacher!



During the months of April, May and June, students in Divisions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 participated in the Kilometre Club during PE. Once a week, students had 10 minutes to see how many laps around the school they could run. Four laps around the school are equal to one kilometre. All students should have brought home a certificate this week highlighting how many kilometres they each ran. They also each received a freezie treat courtesy of the PAC.

**In total, the students ran just over 1358 kilometres!! Congratulations to all the students!!**

**Division Totals:**

Division 11 (6 students) – 47.25 kilometres!

Division 10 (20 students) – 119.75 kilometres!

Division 9 (21 students) – 161 kilometres!

Division 8 (22 students) – 196.5 kilometres!

Division 7 (22 students) – 173.5 kilometres!

Kilometre Club

Division 6 (23 students) – 205 kilometres!

Division 5 (28 students) – 207.5 kilometres!

Division 4 (28 students) – 248 kilometres!

**Top Runners** \_\_\_\_\_

Kindergarten: **Colin C.** (8 km), **Jojo S.** (8 km), **Barrytt P.** (7.75 km), **Wessel K.** (7.5 km)

Grade 1: **Darwin L.** (13.75 km), **Daniel A.** (13 km), **Cristiano S.** (12.5 km), **Roanna S.** (11 km)

Grade 2: **Zakir M.** (12.25 km), **Jayden Z.** (12 km), **Benjamin L.** (11.5 km), **Milo L.** (11 km)

Grade 3: **Eason Y.** (11.75 km), **Victoria N.** (11.75 km), **Manami U.** (11.75 km), **Angie H.** (11.5 km)

Grade 4: **Joy T.** (14.25 km), **Anson Z.** (12.5 km), **Mathea C.** (12.25 km), **Katie L.** (11.75 km)

Grade 5: **Hanthar T.** (17.75 km), **Baily S.** (15.25 km), **Aiden S.** (14.75 km), **George Z.** (13.25 km)



# HUNDO FUNDO



Four students in grade 5--Isaac, Andrew, Quentin and Roger have been selling frozen treats after school on Wednesdays! Their goal is to reach \$1000 in profit to donate to the food bank. This will be the last sale this Wednesday--come on out to support them as you have been! Thank you!

# 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.

# Beach Day

Beach Day was a huge success! The weather was perfection--if that is possible--sun, sand and water creatures. What more could be asked for?!

A huge shout out and Thank you to our PAC members who spearheaded the trip and organized the buses and most importantly paid for them. THANK YOU PAC FOR A WONDERFUL DAY AS THE BOBCAT COMMUNITY!





# Blundell

## YEAR END DATES

**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

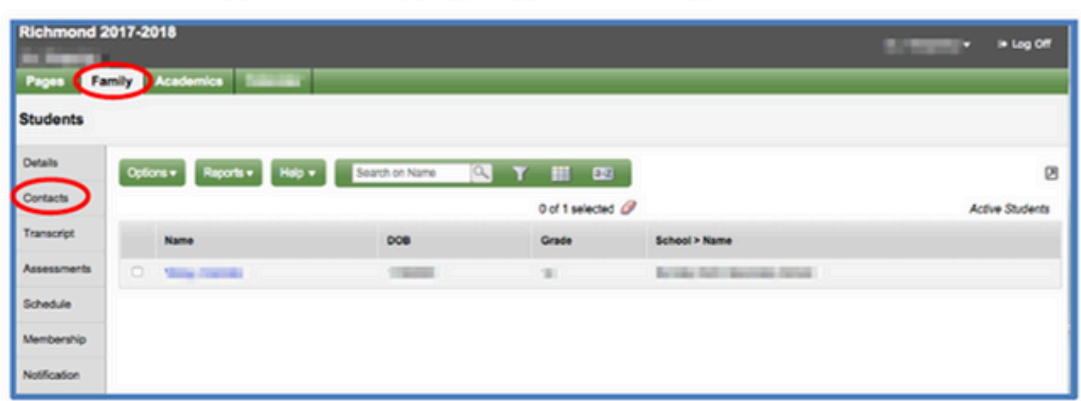


**June is National Indigenous History Month in Canada, a time to recognize the rich history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis.**

**Term 3 Report Cards are available for viewing online on June 26th !**



**Top Tabs:** There are four Top Tabs on the main page. The Top Tab you are currently viewing will be highlighted.  
**Side Tabs:** The tabs along the side will change depending on the current Top Tab

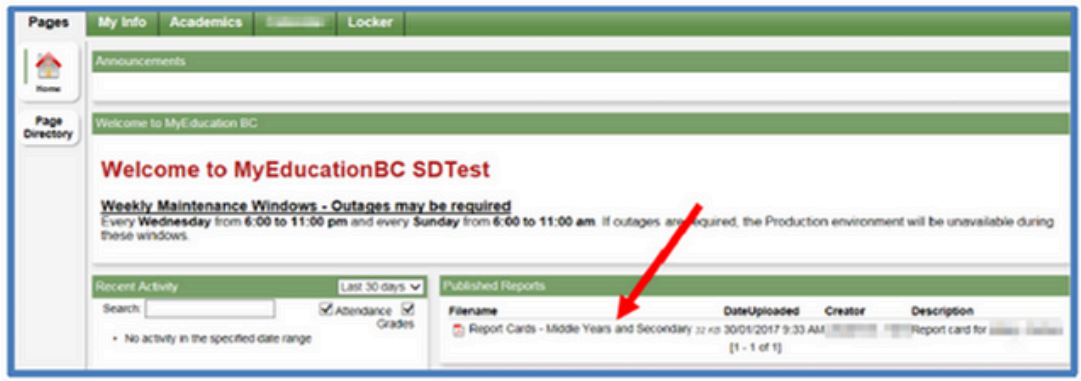


Each time you log in to the Parent Portal, you will land on the 'Pages' tab. The MyED Parent Portal includes other tabs that contain information parents can view. Here is a brief summary of each tab.

### Pages Tab

**Recent Activity** - information about recently posted student attendance and some mark information.

**Published Reports** - When a report card is published to the portal, it will appear under the Published Reports heading as a hyperlinked PDF document. You will receive an email that a report card has been published to the portal.



Please note that Report Cards cannot be archived on the Parent Portal. Each report card will be removed 4-6 weeks after publication. Please download any report cards that you would like to save.

# 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!