Blundell School's Update

January 13-17, 2025

"Home of the Blundell Bobcats!"

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Monday, January 13	Tuesday, January 14	Wednesday, January 15	Thursday, January 16	Friday, January 17
Open Gym Basketball with Coach Dhillon from McNair at lunchtime		Hot Lunch: Pizza Day Remember to bring your own container/ plate from home! Black Excellence Day	Kind any early	<section-header></section-header>
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GRADE 7 INFORMATION EVENINGS



Grade 7 Parent Information Evenings for 2025/26

School Name	Date	
Hugh Boyd Secondary	January 23, 2025 at 6:30 pm	
JN Burnett Secondary	February 13, 2025 at 6:30 pm	
Cambie Secondary	January 14, 2025 at 6:00 pm	
MacNeill Secondary	January 23, 2025 at 6:00 pm	
McMath Secondary	February 13, 2025 at 6:30 pm	
McRoberts Secondary	January 23, 2025 at 6:30 pm	
McNair Secondary	February 6, 2025 at 6:00 pm	
Palmer Secondary	January 23, 2025 at 6:30 pm	
Richmond Secondary	February 5, 2025 at 6:00 pm	
Steveston London Secondary	January 22, 2025 at 6:00 pm	
Richmond Virtual School (BL, RAIL)	January 23, 2025 at 7:00 pm at	
	Palmer Secondary School, Room 131	

Thank You to our Blundell PAC!

UPDATES FROM THE PAC

- HOT LUNCH - REMINDERS & UPCOMING SCHEDULE

- MunchaLunch is NOW OPEN!!
- Yes, you can still order! Ordering closes one week before lunch.
- If the lunch is OPEN on MunchaLunch, that means you can order, make changes, and cancel if necessary.
- If you have late requests/changes to make, you can email us and we will try to help you!
- Look for new menu items including A&W and Subway!

VOLUNTEERS

 We welcome parent and student volunteers to help with Hot Lunch. If you're available on any Wednesday or Fridays, please email us or sign up on MunchaLunch.com! Jan 15 (Wed) - Pizza Jan 17 (Fri) - Hot Dog →*We still need volunteers for Hot Dog day, please email us if you can help!*

Jan 22 (Wed) - **Pizza** Jan 24 (Fri) - **Subway** Jan 29 (Wed) - **Pizza** Jan 31 (Fri) - **A&W**



Feb 2 (Wed) - **Pizza** Feb 7 (Fri) - **Sushi & Rice bowls** Feb 12 (Wed) - **Pizza** Feb 19 (Wed) - **Pizza** Feb 21 (Fri) - **Taco Luis** Feb 26 (Wed) - **Pizza** Feb 28 (Fri) - **Subway**

Mar 3 (Wed) - **Pizza** Mar 7 (Fri) - **Sushi & Rice bowls** Mar 12 (Wed) - **Pizza** Mar 14 (Fri) - **A&W**

Do you have ideas or suggestions for hot lunch? Let us know!

NEXT PAC MEETING

- Friday Jan 17, 2025 at 1:15pm in the library after hot dog day!
- All parents are welcome to the meeting! Come to listen, chat, and learn more about your child's school.

Thank You to our Blundell PAC!

A reminder from our PAC that, each Wednesday during pizza hot lunches, they will eventually not be providing paper plates any longer. We remind students to bring their own containers or plates from home. It might be helpful to pack these in your child's backpack on Tuesday night! If you would like to hear more about the PAC, or hear about how you can participate in these events, please come and join us at our next PAC meeting on Friday, January 17 at 1:15 pm in the library! All are welcome to attend!

HOT LUNCH MENUS FOR TERM TWO:

Menus Available: (Scroll down and click Next)

01/08 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
01/10 (Fri) - Pasta
01/15 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
01/17 (Fri) - Hot Dog
01/22 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
01/24 (Fri) - Subway
01/29 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
01/31 (Fri) - A&W
02/05 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
02/07 (Fri) - Sushi and Rice Bowls
02/12 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
02/19 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
02/21 (Fri) - Taco Luis
02/26 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
02/28 (Fri) - Subway
03/05 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
03/07 (Fri) - Sushi and Rice Bowls
03/12 (Wed) - Pizza Wednesday
03/14 (Fri) - A&W

District Information: Long Range Facilities Plan Information Session and Invitation





Date: January 14, 2025 Time: 6-8 p.m. Where: Zoom Register: QR code below





ONLINE PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLAN

The Richmond School District invites community members to participate in an Online Public Open House.

This virtual event offers a convenient opportunity to learn about the 2025 Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) and provide input that will help shape the district's long-term facilities strategy. If you are unable to attend, you can still contribute. Email your questions or feedback to the Richmond Project Team at planning@sd38.bc.ca.

Scan QR code to register:





● Sd38.bc.ca/Irfp

District Information: Parent/Guardian Information Evenings Coming Up



DISTRICT INFORMATION AND UPDATES

Parent Education Sessions | School District No. 38 (Richmond)

The Richmond School District is excited to offer the following parent education sessions during the 2024/25 school year:

Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying

- Jan. 21st: Cellphones: What's Healthy, What's Not, and What We Can Do to Support Our Kids (Hannah Beach)
- Feb. 25th: Reclaiming Play: Revitalizing Childhood to Combat Anxiety and Aggression (Hannah Beach)
- Apr. 8th: Cybersafe from Exploitation (Exploitation Education Institute)

https://sd38.bc.ca/news/2024-10-16/parent-education-sessions

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Let's All Stay Healthy BIUNDELL



SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?

We appreciate your support in keeping your child home when they are not feeling well. Students should not come to school when they are sick.

If your child is not feeling well please continue to keep them home until their symptoms have resolved. If you know your child will be absent for a range of days, please leave that information as well.

Staying home when sick helps keep our entire school community healthy including teachers, admin staff and students. **Please do your part and stay home when sick**.







As we come back from the winter break, we remind families to please keep your child(red) at home if they are exhibiting signs of illness (eg. coughing, runny noses, etc.) Signs of illness lead to other students getting sick, and our staff as well. Let's all do our part to keep Blundell as healthy as we can so that all of us can enjoy a happy and healthy start to the new year. Thank you.

Change of Clothing:

For our younger students, it would be helpful if parents had extra socks/pants/shirt in their backpacks if possible. When the weather is wet, students may slip and fall in a puddle, etc. In order to prevent us from having to call home, it would be helpful for our younger students to have a simple change of clothing in a Ziploc bag stores in their backpack.

DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

West Coast Recess:

During recess and lunchtime breaks, students are expected to always be outside this year. Students are reminded to dress appropriately for the weather. You may also send a change of clothes to school just in case your child gets wet. Playing outside will ensure our students get some fresh air and exercise to enliven



StrongStart Outreach Program

Blundell Elementary

This new StrongStart Outreach is a free early learning program for all children aged 0 to 5. Children attend StrongStart with their parent/caregiver. StrongStart educators will lead a variety of learning activities designed to support children on their learning path before they enter school.

JANUARY 16-MARCH 13, 2025 | EVERY THURSDAY (EXCEPT FEBRUARY 6, 2025) 9:00AM - 11:00AM

> **BLUNDELL ELEMENTARY** 6480 BLUNDELL RD, RICHMOND, BC V7C 1H8 IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

Drop-In Program



MORE INFORMATION earlylearningprograms@sd38.bc.ca







Ministry of Education and Child Care Blundell's Bell Schedule 8:40 am: First Bell Rings 8:45 Instructional Time Begins 10:10 Morning/Recess Break 10:25 Instructional Time Resumes 11:50 Outdoor Lunch Break (Play First) 12:20 Lunch Break (students return to classes to eat lunch) 12:42 Instructional Time Resumes

2:45 Dismissal



We continue to have some issues with cars parking in our drop off lane and also with double parking. Please be reminded of the parking guidelines listed below. Thanks in advance for being part of our solution!

We have a VERY busy parking lot - both in the morning and after school.

Tips to help keep students SAFE!

1) Please walk to school with your child if you live close by

2) The drop off lane is not for parking – please drop off your child and go, making room for others. We have several school buses arriving each day and this blocks their access to leave the parking lot.

3) If you are a kindergarten parent or need to drop your child off at their classroom door, please park in our visitor lot or near the school and walk

4. ALWAYS keep your vehicle speed at a very LOW speed in our entire parking loop. 5. DOUBLE PARKING IS DANGEROUS. Please do not stop beside a car that is already parked in the drop off lane or a car parked in the parking lot--this impacts other drivers being able to leave, including some staff who may have to leave right after dismissal.



Blundell's Reminders/Dates

Upcoming Dates to Note/Looking Ahead:

- January 15: Black Excellence Day
- January 15: Pizza Hot Lunch Day
- January 17: Hot Dog Lunch Day---volunteers needed!
- January 17: PAC meeting at 1:15 pm in the library
- January 21: Division 4 field trip to Steveston
- January 21: Online session for Parents (with Hannah Beach, topic: Cellphone usage/Healthy Cellphone Usage)
- January 27: Professional Development Day--no school for students on this day
- January 28: Performance: Chinese Lion Dance
- January 29: Lunar New Year (Year of the Snake)
- January 31: January Recognition Assembly, 9:15 am
- •. February 13: Early Dismissal for Conferences at 11:50 am
- February 14: Professional Development Day/Valentines
 Day





DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT

HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.

Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.

Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media. Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.

Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property. Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.

Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

> The complete code of conduct is available online at: sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct