"Home of the Blundell Bobcats!"



Blundell Bobcats Bulletin



Acknowledgement of Territory:

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the Həńq́əmińəṁ (Hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn, and live.

January 20-24, 2025

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Monday, January 20	Tuesday, January 21	Wednesday, January 22	Thursday, January 23	Friday, January 24
Basketball Practise with Coach Dhillon from McNair at lunchtime	Honour Band at Lunch Time	Hot Lunch: Pizza Day	Breakfast Club 8:00 am	Basketball Practise at 7:45 am Hot Lunch: Subway
		Remember to bring your own container/ plate from home! Basketball		Dance Club at lunch time minder:
		Practise 7:45 am	any early	lly please report absences, lates, dismissals, etc. to
DON'T FORGET				our Warning Line at 504) 668-6519
January 27: Prof	child'	ase include your s name, Division, ey will be away and v long. Thank you.		



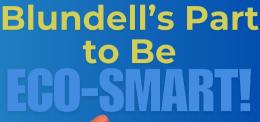
When?

Every Friday for 3 weeks starting
January 17th!



- Wear your favourite sweater to school every
 Friday
- Turn down the heat and help save energy
- Win prizes for your class!







Grade 7 Parent Information Evenings for 2025/26

GRADE 7 INFORMATION EVENINGS



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!

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!



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!

NEXT PAC MEETING

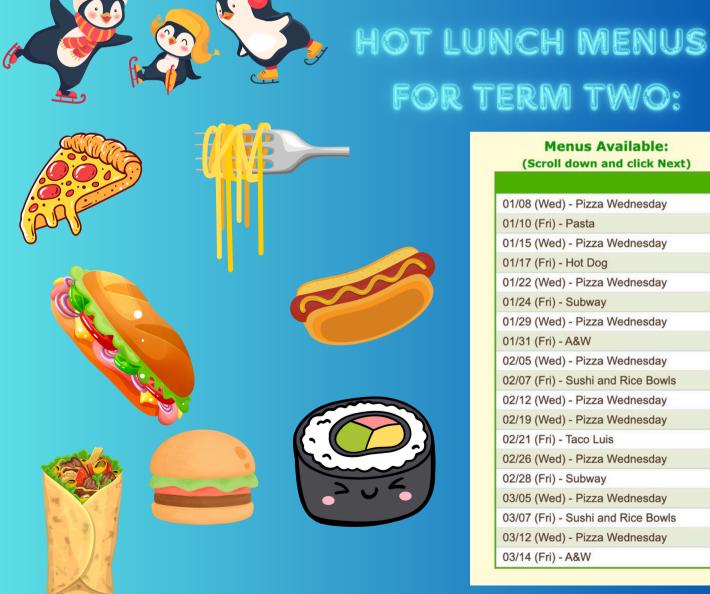
- Friday Feb 21, 2025 at 1:15pm in the library after hot lunch
- All parents are welcome to the meeting! Come to listen, chat, and learn more about your child's school.

blundell.elementary.pac@gmail.com



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, February 21 at 1:15 pm in the library! All are welcome to attend!



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: Parent/Guardian Information Evenings Coming Up



DISTRICT INFORMATION AND UPDATES

Parent Education Sessions I 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 AT BLUNDELL

Daily Health Check

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



Please note that Blundell is a "gum and pop free" school as we encourage students to make healthy choices. We would appreciate your help with reinforcing this at home. Thank you!





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





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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



Parking Lot Reminders



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 22: 6:00 pm Parent Information Evening at Steveston London School for those whose child will be attending SLSS for Grade 8
- January 27: Professional Development Day—no school for students on this day
- January 28: Performance: Chinese Lion Dance
 10:30 AM
- 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







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.



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