

## RICHARDSON REPORTER

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# This Week's Important Dates

**Monday**, November 25 - Pro-D Day: School Closed



## **Richardson Updates**

We are quickly approaching the end of November, and staff are working hard to assess student progress and to prepare our Term One Learning Updates (Report Cards). If families have questions about student progress or classroom activities at any time of year, they are encouraged to reach out to classroom teachers by email.

We have many activities planned for the coming weeks, and we will certainly have some fun here in December as we get ready for the holidays. Please read on to hear more about what's coming up at Richardson. We wish all of our families a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely, Ms. T. Doukas

Mrs. M. Hope

#### **ArtCards**

Today is the last day to order ArtCards. The ordering portal will close at midnight. Thank you to those families who have already submitted orders. Orders can be placed at <a href="https://www.artcardsbykids.com">www.artcardsbykids.com</a>.



## **Pro-D Day**

Just a reminder that Monday, November 25, is a Pro-D day, and school will be closed.

## **Parking and Driveway Concerns**

Thank you to our families for using <u>extreme caution</u> when driving in our school zone and for following the parking and driveway guidelines published in last week's newsletter. We will continue to monitor driveway activity during drop off and pick up times, and we have appreciated the support of the Delta Police in monitoring traffic safety in our area.

## **Upcoming Events**

**Friday**, December 6 - Spirit Day: Funky Socks

**Tuesday**, December 10 - 1:30pm: Primary Winter Concert

**Thursday**, December 12- Term 1 Learning Updates (Report Cards) posted

Friday, December 13 - Hot Lunch

**Friday**, December 20 - Spirit Day: Pyjama Day

**Friday**, December 20 - PAC Pancake Breakfast

**Friday**, December 20 - Last Day before Winter Break

### Thank you! Merci!

To our PAC for hosting our first hot lunch day!

For driving with extreme caution around our school!

To families for helping students dress for the weather each day!

For ensuring students have a change of clothes at school!



#### **Hot Lunches**

Our first hot lunch took place today and we are grateful for the support of our families in ordering lunches for students. Hot lunch days are organized and run by PAC volunteers, and they operate as a PAC fundraiser. Funds raised by PAC go directly towards supporting our students with many extras at school such as field trips, play equipment, technology and classroom extras. We encourage families to order food for students through MunchaLunch for future hot lunch days, and to minimize outside food deliveries. (In the event that food is delivered for students, please do not send pop or soda drinks as per the guidelines below.)

Please watch for the next hot lunch opportunity on December 13.

#### **Drinks at School**

At Richardson, students are encouraged to bring a full water bottle to school each day. The water bottle can be kept with the student at their desk or in an easily accessible location that the classroom teacher has identified. During the lunch eating time, students may drink juice boxes or other such drink choices that parents have chosen to provide. At the end of the eating time, it is expected that these 'other' drinks are finished or put away according to teacher instructions. Such drinks must be easily resealed. This is to avoid sticky spillage which can damage student work. Additionally, parents are asked to refrain from delivering drinks other than water during the school day.

## Do You Bring Your Pet to School?

We know that many families enjoy walking the family dog when they accompany their children to and from school. At Richardson, we request that all pets are kept well away from the students, and on leash. If you walk with your dog to the school, please arrange to meet your child either off the grounds along the perimeter of the school or on the grass or gravel fields well away from the entrances and exits. And, please clean up after your pet as needed.

## French Immersion Registration & Information

Online registration for both programs begins on January 4, 2025 at 8a.m.

https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/programs/french-immersion/

#### Early French Immersion In-Person Information Nights:

Jan 13, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at Burnsview Secondary Jan 14, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at South Delta Secondary

Application deadline: January 22, 2025 at 4p.m.

#### Late French Immersion In-Person Information Nights:

Feb 10, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at Chalmers Elementary Feb 11, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at Cliff Drive Elementary

Application deadline: February 12, 2025 at 4p.m.



## **Primary Winter Concert**

We plan to host our Primary Winter Concert on December 10, at 1:30pm. Families are invited to join us for this special event. More details will be shared at a later date.

## Families Experiencing Hardship

If any families are requiring support, please reach out to our school office in confidence. Ms. Doukas and Mrs. Hope welcome any requests for support.

## \*\*\*\*\* Parent Advisory Council (PAC)\*\*\*\*\*

All Richardson parents are automatically members of the PAC, and all are welcome to come to PAC meetings and events. If you would like to be added to the PAC mailing list and receive communications from PAC, please send an email directly to richardsonelementarypac@gmail.com. Please volunteer if possible!