

# **RICHARDSON REPORTER**

#### Caring for Ourselves - Caring for Others - Caring for this Place

## This Week's Important Dates

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

Friday, December 6 - Last day to order Hot Lunches for Dec. 13 (online orders only on MunchaLunch)



## **<u>Richardson Updates</u>**

Earlier this week, staff had the opportunity to take part in a professional learning day. The focus of our learning connected to our school goals of Numeracy and building our Raven Identity. In the morning, we had a shared learning session with two other local schools, learning more about our new Math program, MathMinds. In the afternoon, we continued to work on our Raven Code of Conduct. This endeavour is coming together well, and we have appreciated input from staff, students and families. We look forward to sharing more about this in the New Year.

We wish all of our families a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Ms. T. Doukas Mrs. M. Hope

## **Parent Help Session**

We would like to invite interested parents to a 'Tea and Talk' session at Richardson with our Multi-Cultural Support Worker, Ms. Rupinder Sidhu. Ms. Sidhu will be here on Thursday, December 5, from 9am to 10am. We will also be joined by Ms. Jinane Azzaroual, who will be available to support Arabic-speaking families. The topics we will be addressing will be:

- •Connecting to Parent Connect \*Reading report cards \*Permission forms \*Fee payments
- •Connecting to MunchaLunch \*How to order Hot Lunches

Parents will also have the opportunity to ask any questions as needed. The session will take place in our multi-purpose room. Please join us if you think this learning opportunity would be helpful to you.

## **Upcoming Events**

**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!

For supporting our ArtCards initiative!

For driving with extreme caution around our school!

For sending healthy snack and lunch choices!

For supporting our many field trip opportunities!

## Winter Concert

We plan to host our Winter Concert on December 10, at 1:30pm. Divisions 8 to 15 will be performing this year. Doors will open for families at 1:10pm.

## **Hot Lunches**

Our next Hot Lunch Day will take place on Friday, Dec. 13. All ordering takes place online, on MunchaLunch. Orders may now be submitted until Friday, Dec. 6. The ordering window will always close one week before Hot Lunch Day. We encourage families to order food for students through MunchaLunch for future hot lunch days, and to minimize outside food deliveries.

#### https://munchalunch.com/login

\*Please note our drinks policy below, and do not send pop or soda to school.\*

## Holiday Giving Back - Loonie Drive

This holiday season, consider making a big impact with just a small contribution! We will be collecting loonies (\$1) to donate to DeltaAssist from Monday, December 2-Friday, December 13th. By donating just \$1 to DeltaAssist, our local food and toy bank, you can help

provide essential support to families in need right here in our community. Your generosity can help brighten the holidays for children and families who might otherwise go without. Every dollar adds up, and together, we can make a real difference in the lives of those who need it most. Let's spread some holiday cheer and show our community spirit by giving what we can -because even the smallest act of



kindness can have a lasting impact.

## 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.

## French Immersion Registration & Information

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

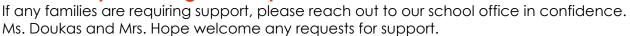
https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/programs/french-immersion/ Early French Immersion In-Person Information Nights: Jan 13, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at Burnsview Secondary Jan 14, 2025 at 6:30p.m. at South Delta Secondary

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.

## Families Experiencing Hardship



## \*\*\*\*\* 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!

Please note there is a new email for *Hot Lunch* questions and communications:

richardsonhotlunches@gmail.com

## **Candy Cane Sales**

Our PAC will be hosting a Cherry Candy Cane fundraiser. Please see the flyer below for details. Students can bring their orders to class by Friday, December 13. Order forms will also be available at the office.



