

RICHARDSON REPORTER

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

This Week's Important Dates

Monday, February 17 - Family Day (school closed)

Friday, February 21 - Pro- D Day (school closed)



Richardson Updates

We hope all of you enjoyed the long weekend, and had a special Family Day together. Last week, our continued focus on kindness and friendship was very evident at Richardson. We have been very proud of our students for many acts of kindness and community service; additionally, our basketball athletes in grade 6 and 7 have shown great sporting behaviour at all of their games against neighbouring schools. This past week, we also welcomed a Hip-Hop artist in to do workshops with students, and enjoyed a Math Festival as well. It was a busy week!

As a reminder, please note that Friday, February 21, is a district-wide non-instructional day, and school will be closed.

Sincerely,

Ms. T. Doukas Mrs. A. Boyd

Budget Consultation for 2025-2026

In preparation for development of the 2025/2026 budget, the Delta Board of Education is encouraging parents/caregivers, staff, partners, and rights-holders to share their priorities for the upcoming school year by <u>5p.m. on March 14, 2025</u>.

You can provide your feedback by:

- Completing a short online survey
- •Sending an email to <u>budget@deltaschools.ca</u>
- •Sending a letter to Delta School District, 4585 Harvest Drive, Delta, B.C., V4K 5B4
- Talking to your school's PAC

Please <u>click here</u> (or copy and paste this url into your browser https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/news-events/news/2025-2026-budget-consultation-process/) to learn more about this year's consultation process.

Upcoming Events

Monday, February 24 - Last day to order hot lunch for March 7

Wednesday, Feb. 26 - Pink Shirt Day

Thursday, February 27 - Science Fair @ Richardson

Thursday, March 6 - District Science Fair @ Scottsdale Mall

Friday, March 7, Hot Lunch Day -Boston Pizza

Wednesday, March 12 - Term 2 Learning Updates (Report Cards) Posted

Thursday, March 13 - 4:00pm: Neufeld Farms Delivery

Friday, March 14 -Last Day of School before Spring Break

Thank you! Merci!

To all families for supporting students to make good behaviour choices!

To students and families for promoting friendship and kindness during Valentine's Day events!

To families for supporting PAC fundraisers such as Hot Lunch!

Regional Track Meet

This year, the date of our Regional Track Meet for grade 4-7 students is Thursday, May 8. The meet will take place at the North Delta Secondary School track.

Student Illness/Reporting Absences

Just a reminder to check student wellness before coming to school. If symptoms of illness are present, please assess whether students are better off staying home. Also, please be sure to call or email our office to notify the school if your child will be absent for any reason.

Families Experiencing Hardship

If any families are requiring support, please reach out to our school office in confidence. Ms. Doukas and Mrs. Boyd 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!

The Hot Lunch Committee welcomes the help of volunteers. If you are able to spend some time helping out on hot lunch days, please contact the committee at the Hot Lunch email below.

richardsonhotlunches@gmail.com

Parent Learning Opportunities

Family Smart's lineup of **FREE** virtual events for February to March are open for registration.

Virtual Event: Explosive Behaviour in Teens: Strategies to Empower Families

Description: When our teens are showing up in explosive ways, we sometimes blame ourselves. Discover with us as a therapist explains some causes of explosive behaviour and strategies that support parents and teens. Victoria Keddis hosts a conversation with Kirk Shields-Priddy, MSW/RSW Group and Family Therapist with Fraser Health START Program.

Registration: FamilySmart - Events

Dates:

March 4th 6:30pm-8pm March 5th 6:30pm-8pm March 6th 6:30pm-8pm March 11th 6:30pm-8pm March 12th 12:00pm-1:30pm

We are available to chat one on one if you know anyone looking for support or need help navigating mental health services in our community. Click here FamilySmart referrals, once you have the parent's or caregiver's consent. Feel free to contact us at SurreyDeltaWhiteRock@familysmart.ca or leave a message at 604-607-9587 if you have any questions.

PAC Fundraisers:

Neufeld Farms: The Spring Neufeld's fundraiser is officially live. Orders are due by March 3. Please go to the following link:

https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2025-richardson-elementary/ref/em

Hot Lunch: Order by Monday, Feb. 24 for the March 7 Boston Pizza Hot Lunch Day



