

RICHARDSON REPORTER

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

This Week's Important Dates

Monday, March 3-**Wednesday**, March 12 - Raven Spirit Wear available for ordering

Thursday, March 6 - District Science Fair @ Scottsdale Mall

Friday, March 7- Spirit Day -Disney Day

Friday, March 7, Hot Lunch Day -Boston Pizza

<u>Richardson Updates</u>

Last week, we recognized Pink Shirt Day with a student assembly. The focus was on Kindness, and how to be an 'Upstander' rather than a 'Bystander'. Our grade 7 student leaders did a wonderful job as MCs, actors, presenters and tech crew. It is always great to see our students taking on leadership roles.

Our Science Fair took place on Thursday as well, with 5 classes taking part in sharing their projects. There were many families who came to view projects, as well as the rest of our classes. It was evident that students had worked hard to learn the scientific method and to apply this to a real world problem or question, and they were very proud to demonstrate their learning. Some of these students will also have the opportunity to share their projects at the District Science Fair after school on Thursday, March 6 at Scottsdale Mall. This is a public event that is open to anyone to attend.

As we wind down to Spring Break, we appreciate your efforts to continue the conversation around being kind, and your support with helping students to make positive behaviour choices.

Sincerely, Ms. T. Doukas Mrs. A. Boyd

Term 2 Report Cards/Learning Updates

Under the new Ministry of Education Reporting Order, Report Cards will now be called 'Learning Updates.' Our Term 2 Learning Updates will be shared with parents through Parent Connect on Wednesday, March 12. The office will notify families when they are made available for parents. Please contact the office if you are having difficulty accessing your child's report. For any questions regarding student progress, please contact your child's teacher. We invite families to take some time to celebrate student learning, and the wonderful progress that all students have made this term.

Upcoming Events

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

Monday, March 31 - School Reopens

Friday, April 18- Good Friday (School Closed)

Monday, April 21- Easter Monday (School Closed)

Thank you! Merci!

To families for coming to view our Science Fair!

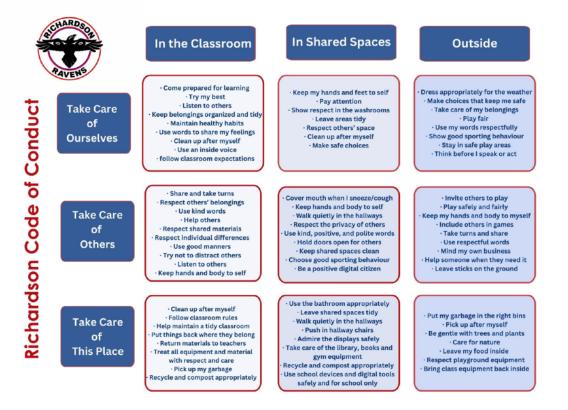
To families for supporting PAC fundraisers such as Hot Lunch and Neufeld Farms!

To families for reinforcing our Raven Code of Conduct!

Raven Code of Conduct

This week, we are pleased to launch our newly designed Raven Code of Conduct visuals to support positive behaviour choices at Richardson. Staff have worked hard to craft three versions of these guidelines that can be used in classes and in shared spaces around the school. Staff will be using the language in the visuals at school, and we encourage families to also reinforce our motto: **Take Care of Myself - Take Care of Others - Take Care of this Place.** We also have French versions that we are working on finalizing and sharing out.





Raven Spirit Wear

We are pleased to be opening orders again for our school spirit wear. This time, we have a hoody, crew and t-shirt available, and in response to parent feedback, we have added a jogger pant. These pieces will be available to order in youth and adult sizes starting on Monday. Please watch for a new order form coming to you on Monday. We can accept cash or cheque for payment of these orders. The last day for ordering will be Wednesday, March 12.

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 <u>online survey</u>
- 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 <u>https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/</u> <u>news-events/news/2025-2026-budget-consultation-process/</u>) to learn more about this year's consultation process.

'Upstander' Video

Here is a video that families can use to continue the conversation about being an 'Upstander' at home:

Pickleball-After School Opportunity

This week, intermediate students had the opportunity to take part in pickle ball lessons. Our pickle-ball instructors will be back on March 5 and March 13 to



continue these lessons. They are also offering **completely optional** after school sessions on March 5 and 13 for a cost of \$40.

Registration Form: <u>Please click on this link</u>

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

Message to Grade 6 and 7 Families:

We know it's not even spring yet and the Grade 7 leaving ceremony in June seems far away, but it will come faster than you think!

My name is Faith Gilbert, and I'm a grade 7 parent who has volunteered to help organize this year's event.

We need adult volunteers

This year's grade 7 leaving ceremony is set to look a little different than previous years, and we are going to need more volunteers and perhaps some fundraising.

We're aiming to a meeting after spring break with all interested in helping, so we can minimize the chaos of planning in June.

If you're willing and able to help, please send an email to <u>re2012leaving@gmail.com</u>.

Contribute to our yearbook and slide show memories

The last two years, the Richardson PAC has generously donated the funds for a Grade 7 yearbook.

Please also email <u>re2012leaving@gmail.com</u> to:

- Express your interest in helping put together our grade 7 yearbook and/or slideshow during the event.
- To send photos of your child's time at Richardson, either at the school or during school sponsored events (sports teams/ field trips/ camp etc) to include in the yearbook or slideshow. Please send these photos before April 15 as the yearbook will need to be printed by mid-May.

Grade 6 parents - let us know if you can help!

We have an annual tradition for grade 6 parents to help on the day of the leaving ceremony so our grade 7 families can enjoy celebrating their students. If you're available to volunteer, please email us at the address shared above.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask, Faith Gilbert

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.

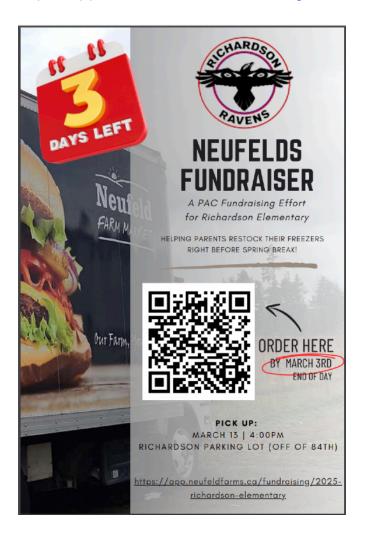
Registration: FamilySmart - Events Dates: March 4th 6:30pm-8pm March 5th 6:30pm-8pm March 6th 6:30pm-8pm March 11th 6:30pm-8pm March 12th 12:00pm-1:30pm

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 guestions.

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



FOR THE GRILL Chicken Breast Burgers, unbreaded Wild Sockeye Salmon Burgers Gourmet Halibut Burger Souvlaki Satays Shrimp Skewers

FOR THE MEAT LOVERS Chicken Breasts, boneless skinless

Clucks Chicken Fingers Cordon Swiss 'Country Style' Crème Brie, Apple & Cranberry Cordon Honey Garlic Wings Sea Salt & Cracked Pepper Wings Beef Striplain Steak (NY) CC 10 az Shaved Prime Rib Lean Ground Beef Maui Beef Ribs Bacon, fully cooked 150 Slices

FOR THE SEAFOOD LOVERS

Sesame Crusted Ahi Tuna Steaks Wild Pacific Coho Salmon Tempura Battered Shrimp, tail on Bacon Wrapped Scallops

FOR THE SWEET TOOTH

Strawberry Rhubarb Pie Peach Pie | Apple Pie Cinnamon Apple Turnovers New York Cheesecake | Turtle Cheesecake Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough White Chocolate Chunk Macadamia Cookie Dough Sunnie Hunnie Chocolate Oat Bites "Gluten Free, Dairy Free, Nut free, Peanut Butter Oat Energy Bites "Gluten Free, Dairy Free, Vegan

FOR THE KIDS

Mini Potato and Cheddar Perogies Cauliflower Bites Vegetable Spring Rolls, Mini Butter Croissants Double Dipped French Toast Sticks Chicken Breast Nuggets Cheese Pizza, Individual Size Mini Sausage Rolls



...AND MUCH MORE

Neufeld