

Brighthouse Newsletter

**Brighthouse
Elementary**

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School Schedule:

8:40 - Welcome Bell
8:45 – Classes Begin
10:10 -10:25 - Recess
11:50 - 12:42 - Lunch
2:45 - Dismissal

Important Dates!

Jan 15 - Feb 1	Dance lessons with Defy Gravity!
Jan 23	Group 1 Dance Performances @ 1:30 pm
Jan 26	Treat Day - Donuts
Jan 29	Pro-D - No School
Feb 15th	Early Dismissal @ 11:50 for Conferences
Feb 16th	No School - Professional Development Day
Feb 19th	No School - Family Day

Jan 22nd - 26th Week at a Glance

Monday	Group 1 Dance Lessons
Tuesday	Group 1 Dance Lessons; Classes enter the gym at 1:30 pm Classes Performing: Div 1,2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26
Wednesday	Group 2 Dance Lessons
Thursday	Group 2 Dance Lessons
Friday	Group 2 Dance Lessons

Dear Families,

What an interesting week we had! Thank you for your patience as you needed to make changes with the unexpected school closures. We hope that any future snow days happen on the weekend!

We would also like to share our appreciation of families who were able to donate gently used clothing at our school. We were able to create a station near the office area with winter clothing that families can use. Families are welcome to come to the office and have a look at what is available.



We are happy to share that the Richmond School District has ordered a new glass front fridge for all schools to keep snacks for students. Soon in the office you will see a fridge with snacks that students can access if they are hungry. This week we also started the fruit and veggie program where all students had the opportunity to eat pears, and primary students also had containers of milk to drink as well. All extra food and milk will be handed out to students as a part of our daily snack offerings.

Wishing you all good health,

Kathy Pantaleo and
Leah Scharf

DANCE LESSONS WITH DEFY GRAVITY!

WEEK 1:
JAN 15TH - 23RD

DIV 1, 2, 5, 6, 9,
10, 17, 18, 19, 20,
21, 22, 25, 26

WEEK 2:
JAN 24TH - FEB
1ST

DIV 3, 4, 7, 8, 11,
12, 13, 14, 15, 16,
23, 24, 27, 28



GROUP 1
PERFORMANCE: JAN
23RD @ 1:30 PM
GROUP 2
PERFORMANCE: FEB
1ST @ 1:30 PM

LIMITED SEATING
AVAILABLE FOR
FAMILIES.

Update on Dance Lessons

To ensure that all groups receive four days of instruction, we've adjusted the schedule. The first performance will now be on Tuesday, January 23rd at 1:30 pm. The second performance will now be on Thursday, Feb 1st at 1:30 pm. Thank you to Rishell from Defy Gravity for making the change!

Please Dress for
the weather!



When it's cold outside, it's important for students to dress in winter clothing. You can contact Ms.

Pantaleo at kpantaleo@sd38.bc.ca if you need any assistance.

Donations of gently used coats can be dropped off at the office.



BECOME HOMESTAY at the RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Be a host for an international student for a month, semester or year. Richmond International Education (RIE) Homestay Program is looking for local families to offer a welcoming home.

Contact us to find out more about this enriching opportunity.

study@sd38.bc.ca

604-668-6217



RICHMOND
INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
ENRICHING GLOBAL MINDS

Get REDI

Reconciliation, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
with Richmond School District

A webinar series on Zoom for parents and caregivers to understand and support SD38 initiatives around inclusion and belonging.

This initial 60-minute session is designed to help you understand the district's commitment to reconciliation, equity, diversity and inclusion, and the values and language that inform our practices in schools. The facilitator, Destine Lord, will draw on the district's strategic plan to drive the conversation and make connections between the plan, the district's vision, and introductory concepts of anti-oppression. By building the language, you can help support your learner as they move between home and school and back again. There will be opportunities with future sessions to further explore REDI concepts.



Destine Lord (she/her) is a consultant and facilitator actively working towards the elimination of racism in Canada. For the last 15 years, she has worked in both the private and public sectors, facilitating workshops and training sessions related to anti-racism, change management, and reconciliation. As a Black Canadian, Destine can draw on her lived experiences to inform conversations about racism. She is excited to be supporting the Richmond School District and our work to build equity and inclusion and a sense belonging for all students and staff.

Registration

These repeated webinar sessions are intended for Richmond School District parents and caregivers only. **As space is limited, please register in advance for one session using one of the QR codes below.**

January 25, 2024
at 7 p.m.



January 30, 2024
at 11 a.m.



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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

FUNDRAISING

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It's Seed Season!

- Go to <https://fundraising.westcoastseeds.com/collections/all>

- Choose the vegetables, flowers & herbs that you'd like to grow this year (as hard as it is to believe this week spring will come!)

- Choose BrighthousePAC at checkout, 40% proceeds go back to support the school

- Your seeds will be sent home with your child in late February!

Snacks for Students

While the snacks at school are going well, at our recent staff meeting, we thought it would be helpful to create an infographic to share with students to help ensure that we have a common message about snacks at Brighthouse.

Snacks at Brighthouse

- HUNGRY WHEN YOU COME TO SCHOOL?**
We have snacks available in the morning! Come to the front entrance or talk to your teacher about getting a snack.
- LOOKING FOR SNACKS AT OTHER TIMES OF THE DAY?**
Snacks are available for all students at our school! First check to see if you have food that you can eat from home.
- SNACKS IN THE OFFICE**
After you've checked to see if you have any snacks from home, you can come to the office and choose another snack.
- TAKE ONLY WHAT YOU NEED!**
Please only take one or two items at a time. You can come back for more if you're still hungry.
- ALL COMPOST GOES INTO THE GREEN BIN**
Make sure that cereal cups and spoons as well as uneaten food go into the green bin.
- RINSE OUT YOGURT CONTAINERS**
Make sure you rinse out the empty yogurt container and put it in the plastic recycling bin. The compostable spoon goes into the green bin.