Brighouse Newsletter

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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 21	Hannah Beach Parent Presentation
Jan 24	Hot Lunch: Edo
Jan 27	ProD Day - No School
Jan 29	Lunar New Year
Jan 29	New Year Assemblies
Jan 30	Grade 6/7 Outdoor Ed Information Evening @ 6:00 pm
Feb 7	Spirit Day - Dress as Your Favourite Book Character!
Feb 13	Early Dismissal for Conferences @ 11:50 am
Feb 14	ProD Day - No School

Dear Families,

With our focus on Literacy at school this year, we often have families ask us how they can help their children help with their reading at home. Family Literacy Day this year is on January 27th, and we thought we could include some helpful tips in our newsletter over the next few weeks. The tip shared below is taken from the Canadian Literacy Foundation. Click on the link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Remember, reading together does not mean that the book has to be in English. It's about the time together!

We know that many families enjoy seeing their children perform at school assemblies. Our next two Winter Assemblies are on January 29th. Below are the list of classes that are performing:

Assembly #1 @ 10:30 am (Doors open at 10:00 am) Divisions Presenting in order of appearance: 19, 18, 22, 28, 25, Dance Team

Snuggle up and enjoy a book with your little one

Why? Reading one picture book a day together can help your child hear about 78,000 words each year. That's a lot of words. Many of these words could be new to your little one. Hearing lots of words helps a child learn to speak and understand language. Later on, it helps them read on their own.

- Try this: Enjoying a book isn't only about reading! • Let your child hold the book or even put it in their
- Point at the pictures and talk about them.

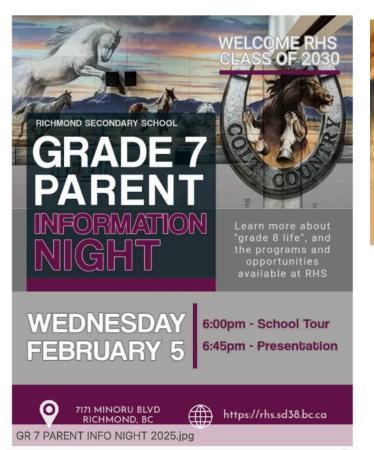
Ask questions like:

- "Can you turn the page?"
- "Show me the red slide."
- "What would you do if you went to the park and it started to rain, like in the book?"
- "Why was the child surprised in the story?"

Assembly #2 @ 1:00 pm (Doors open at 12:30 pm Divisions Presenting in order of appearance: 17, 20, 29, 24, 26, Dance Team

All the best,

Kathy Pantaleo and Leah Scharf



Hot Lunch January 24th!

Our next hot lunch is on January 24th. The last day to order is tomorrow! All hot lunch and snack day orders are placed using the Munchalunch link at: <u>https://</u> <u>munchalunch.com/</u>





Cellphones: What's Healthy, What's Not, and What We Can Do to Support Our Kids

Parent Education Session | January 21, 2025

Hannah Beach: Cellphones: What's Healthy, What's Not, and What we Can Do to Support Our Kids

January 21, 2025 | 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Many of our kids are anxious and glued to their phones, seeking endless distraction and feeling isolated and disconnected. Aggressive outbursts have become common and yet others seem to have stopped talking all together. As parents and caregivers, we are increasingly alarmed. We entice, cajole, bribe, encourage, shout, but nothing seems to work long term.

Join Hannah for a warm and conversational workshop exploring practical strategies we can use to help our children and youth when it comes to managing devices. This conversation has never been more important as we look at how we can support our children and youth to grow, learn, develop, and reach their fullest potential.

Closed captioning in multiple languages will be available for participants.

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