



**NEWSLETTER #31**

**May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**PICNIC IN THE PARK**

Save the date! On the evening of June 17, our PAC and Woodward Elementary will host a family night in our Woodward park. Families can bring their own picnic dinner and some outdoor games to enjoy together as a community. More information will come in June!



**CLASS PHOTOS – MAY 11<sup>th</sup>**

Say “Cheese!” Edge photography will be back on Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> to take our class photos.



**LATE ARRIVALS**

We are happy to have our Wildcats come to school every day but have noticed that more students are arriving late. It is important that our students begin their day on time and with their class. The beginning of the day is an important time for students to check in with their teacher and classmates, as well as settle into their daily routines. We understand that unexpected issues pop up but please try your best to arrive on time and ready to learn by 8:45 a.m.



**PAC MEETINGS**

PAC are amazing resources for our entire school community. A strong PAC bonds our school community with our families. Please reach out with questions or ideas ([woodwardpac@gmail.com](mailto:woodwardpac@gmail.com)). *Our next PAC meeting will be Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.*

**SUMMER LEARNING**

The Summer Learning team is busy planning and preparing programs for your school-age children who are currently enrolled in a school in BC. These plans include the school district COVID-19 health and safety protocols. At this time, most of our programs this summer will be delivered through in-person instruction in schools, with students placed into cohorts. There will be some courses that will be delivered using a hybrid online model, however, these offerings will be limited. Visit <http://www.RichmondCE.ca>.



**SPRING WEATHER**

Spring weather in Richmond can be unpredictable and we play outside every day. Please ensure your child is dressed in layers and ready for the rain. We encourage our Wildcats to keep a spare change of clothes and shoes at school just in case they get wet.



**COMMUNICATING STUDENT LEARNING**

This year, divisions 1, 3, 4, and 6 have been assessing and reporting on student learning through ePortfolios. Please continue to review your child’s portfolio for evidence of learning and feedback.



**GRADE 6/7 OUTDOOR ED**

Wildcats in grade six and seven will join their teachers on a journey to Camp Jubilee on June 10<sup>th</sup>. This long, but fun, day trip will include many outdoor activities and is a great way to have fun and learn at the end of the year. More information about Camp Jubilee will be sent home shortly

**COVID HEALTH & SAFETY:**

All students and their families are encouraged to share and practice health and safety routines at school and home. Please review our Mandatory Health and Safety Declaration every morning before coming to school. Please visit: <https://sd38.bc.ca/covid-19-updates> for more information. Call 8-1-1 or contact a health care practitioner with questions.



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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- May 11 Class photos
- May 17 Track meet at Minoru
- May 19 Welcome to Kindergarten
- May 20 Pro-D – school closed
- May 23 Victoria Day – school closed
- May 27 ROAR Assembly
- May 27 Hot lunch
- June 2 Band concert (students)
- June 9 Band concert (parents)
- June 10 Camp Jubilee for Gr. 6/7
- June 17 Sports Day
- June 17 Hot lunch
- June 17 Picnic in the Park night
- June 24 Grade 7 Farewell assembly
- June 29 Last day of school – reports sent home

**NEWSLETTER #31****May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022****Daily Health Check and What to Do When Sick****January 2022****Daily Health Check**

Everyone going into to school must complete a daily health check, including staff, visitors, and students. A daily health check means checking yourself or your child for new symptoms of illness, including symptoms of COVID-19.

Symptoms of illness (including COVID-19) include things like:

- Fever or chills
- Difficulty breathing
- Runny nose
- Headache
- Diarrhea
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Sneezing
- Body aches
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Loss of appetite
- Extreme fatigue or tiredness
- Nausea or vomiting

**If you are sick or feel unwell, stay at home. This is important to stop the spread of illness, including COVID-19, in schools.**

**You can attend school if:**

- Your symptoms are consistent with a previously diagnosed health condition (e.g., seasonal allergies), OR
- You have existing symptoms that have improved to where you feel well enough to return to regular activities,

**AND you are not required to self-isolate, or your self-isolation period is over (based on a positive COVID-19 test result, if taken).**

**What to Do When Sick**

**If you have mild symptoms of COVID-19, you usually don't need a test.** Mild symptoms are symptoms that can be managed at home. Most people don't need testing for COVID-19.

Stay home and away from others (as much as possible) until you feel well enough to return to your regular activities and you no longer have a fever. You should also avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings such as long term care facilities and gatherings, for another 5 days after ending isolation.

If you have a Rapid Antigen Test at home, use it when you have symptoms. How long you should stay home depends on your test result. Find out more about [Rapid Antigen Test results](#).

**If you do not have symptoms of COVID-19, you do not need a test.**

**If you are unsure about your symptoms, use the [Self-Assessment Tool](#), contact your health careprovider or call 8-1-1.**

Testing may be recommended for some people who may be more likely to get severe disease. SeeBCCDC for information on [who testing is recommended for](#).

**What to Do if Someone in Your Household is Sick**

You can continue to attend school if someone in your household is sick and/or self-isolating as long asyou do not have any symptoms of illness and feel well. This includes if they have tested positive for COVID-19. Try to stay apart from the person in your household who is sick as much as possible.

Closely monitor yourself (or your child) for symptoms of illness and stay home if you develop symptoms of illness or feel unwell.