



Quilchena Elementary

School District #38

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Quilchena Community

The Week Ahead ~ April 22 – April 26

We invite families to visit the [School Calendar](#) for all our future notable dates and events.

April – Sikh Heritage Month

April 12-28 – Movie Night Pizza Ordering

April 8-28 – Mr. Cooper’s Pies Fundraiser

April 22-30 – Passover

April 22 – PAC Hot Lunch Day (Pizza)

April 22 – Earth Day

April 22 & 24 – Track Attack (gr.3-7)

April 24 – Written Learning Updates available for parents on MyEd

April 25 – Gr. 7 Farewell Freezie Sale Fundraiser (\$2)

April 26 – Community Appreciation Tea

It has been a busy and successful week! We have been enjoying being outside to participate in getting our garden beds ready for planting, Track Attack, potato planting and neighbourhood walks. We are happy to notice more students are starting to ride their bikes to school over the last week. There are bike racks at the front of the school between the two playgrounds. Please remember to bring your bike lock and to wear your helmet. Enjoy your weekend, Cyclones and see you Monday!

In Other Quilchena News:



Passover: Passover, also called Pesach in Hebrew, is a spring holiday that is the second most important Jewish holiday of the year. Passover is eight-days long (or seven in Israel) and is celebrated by Jews around the world to commemorate their freedom from slavery in ancient Egypt. Passover this year begins before sundown on Monday, April 22nd and ends after nightfall on April 30th. Many Jewish communities will hold seders (ceremonial meals) the first two nights of the springtime holiday. Happy Passover to our Quilchena families who celebrate this special holiday.

Written Learning Updates: As we did for the first term, the MyEducation BC Parent Portal will be the site where you can view attendance, contact information, and published Learning Updates (report cards). Term two’s Written Learning Updates will be available for families to view on Wednesday, April 24th, 2024. Click [HERE](#) for log-on information.



Student and Family Affordability Fund: The provincial government recently announced a renewal of one-time funding for the *Student and Family Affordability Fund*. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs in the following areas:



- school fees & supplies
- field trips and school-related extracurricular opportunities
- clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities

Please reach out to Mrs. Kusch (nkusch@sd38.bc.ca) if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

Continuing Education Summer 2024: Attention Richmond families! Did you know that Richmond Continuing Education Summer Learning Program is **FREE** for BC students who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents and students who have Refugee status? With an array of exciting and enriching courses and camps to choose from, your child is sure to have a memorable summer. Registration will be staggered with the first registration date starting on Monday, April 22nd. Programs fill up quickly.

**CONTINUING
EDUCATION**

Choose from Elementary Enrichment, Summer Exploration, Summer Fine Arts, Academic Full Credit, Academic Completion, Secondary Enrichment, and Secondary Enrichment Skill Building Courses. Summer Camps for both elementary and secondary students are also offered, with options for ages 6-16. Don't miss out on this opportunity to grow and learn in a fun and engaging way! Keep your child's learning journey going strong this summer and sign up now for Summer Learning 2024. Click [HERE](#) for more information or visit the attached catalogue.



City of Richmond – Earth Week (April 20-28): Earth Week ([LINK](#)) is happening April 20-28 with lots of free and low-cost family-friendly activities. Check out their site and get involved!



Family Peer Support Workers and Family Smart Monthly Online Events: The Richmond ICY Team and Foundry (Integrated Child & Youth) have five family peer support workers (employed by FamilySmart) ready and available to serve parents and caregivers in Richmond. The family peer support workers can meet with families supporting a child or youth with a mental health and/or substance youth challenge in person, by video chat, phone, or email. Peer support services are available in Cantonese, English, Mandarin, and Punjabi. Families can reach out directly for peer support by email richmond@familysmart.ca or phone 604-607-9570.



Our Next Event: May 7th - National Child & Youth Mental Health Day online with Kim Barthell - "**Connecting with Kids**" [LINK](#)

PAC News:



Gr. 7 Farewell Fundraiser Freezie Sale: Support our Gr.7's farewell event with a \$2 Freezie purchase April 25th.

Mr. Cooper's Pies: Our Mr.Cooper's Pies fundraiser is underway! Try these delicious savoury pies for an easy and convenient meal! These English meat pies are made locally in Steveston. **Ordering deadline is April 28th.** Pick up your pies at the school on May 2nd.



Term 3 Food Days:

April 22 Dominos	April 29 Bala Foods	May 6 Sushi Lovers
May 13 Subway	May 21 White Spot	May 27 Bala Foods
June 3 Taco Luis	June 10 Sushi Lovers	June 7 Freshslice (Cyclone Day)

Movie Night: Our final PAC family movie night fundraiser for this school year is happening on Friday, May 3rd! Enjoy a movie and pizza with your family! We will be showing **Trolls Band Together**. Sign into your [Hotlunches.net](https://hotlunches.net) account to order your pizza. Ordering opens today, April 12th until April 28th. Funds raised will support our school library renovations! We will require parent volunteers to help at the Movie Night. Please use this [LINK](#) to sign up to help.

The PAC is looking for parents interested in coordinating popcorn day fundraisers for the 2024/2025 school year. It involves choosing dates throughout the year for the sales and coordinating a group of volunteers to help on sale dates. Please contact Lana at Quilchenafundraising@gmail.com if interested!

A Peek into Track Attack

