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Quilchena Community

The Week Ahead January 31 – February 4

- Monday:
- Tuesday: *Lunar New Year*
- Wednesday: *Groundhog Day*
- Thursday:
- Friday:



Upcoming Dates:

- February 14 – Valentine’s Day*
- February 15 – Mid-Year Summative Assessments Published on e-Portfolios*
- February 17 – Early Dismissal (12pm) Parent-Teacher Conferences*
- February 18 – Pro-D for students (no school)*
- February 21 – Family Day (no school)*
- February 23 – Pink Shirt Day*

As we enter our last days of January, the return from our winter break has been filled with reconnecting and getting back to meaningful learning moments. The sunshine the last few days has been a warm welcome, please enjoy your upcoming weekend with your family.

In Other Quilchena News:

Updated Vancouver Coastal Health Information: This week we received an updated Daily Health Check and Flow Chart from VCH that are attached to this memo. We have also posted these on our website for your future reference. Please review both forms and please note that these are date stamped. We will communicate with you if there are any future changes. Our Quilchena staff continues to work together and have been consistent in following our health and safety protocols to reduce risks in our school. Please continue to do your part as a family and *please* keep your children home if they are experiencing any symptoms of illness. When in doubt, please review your Daily Health Check, use the Self-Assessment Tool here <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en> or contact your health practitioner or 811 for more guidance.



Lunar New Year: The first day after the new moon is celebrated at Lunar New Year, a religious and cultural festival for Chinese, Vietnamese and Koreans of Buddhist and other backgrounds. It is a time when families and friends get together to say goodbye to the old and welcome the new. 2022 is the *Year of the Tiger*. Gung hay fat choy to all our Quilchena families who celebrate this holiday.



City Parking Update: Before the winter break, Mrs. Kusch met with the City of Richmond to address the need for drop off/pick up areas near the school. The City Sign Crew have now changed the “no parking” signage on Moresby Drive neighbouring the park area to new signage allowing parents to **Load/Unload during school hours (8:00 am - 4:00 pm)**. This will allow you to be able to park your car and safely have your child(ren) walk along the sidewalk to get to school. Please note and respect the signage on the other side of Moresby Drive (where the houses are located) is still “No Parking or Stopping”.

The City of Richmond will also be installing road delineators along the bend in front of the school on Moresby Drive to slow cars down and keep our walking community safe. This has been delayed due to the snow and now, road repairs that are being done to repair potholes that were caused by the winter weather.

Grade 7 Info: Grade 7 families wishing to submit a Transfer Request for grade 8 will have received the form from Mrs. Hughes earlier this month. Parents/Guardians are responsible for emailing the completed form to the high school of choice between February 7th and February 25th Please contact the office if you wish to submit a transfer and your child did not bring a form home.



Planning for September 2022: If you have not already done so, please return your PINK Attendance Survey to the office as soon as possible. A great deal of our planning revolves around knowing how many of our students will be returning in September. If you indicated that you are uncertain if your child will return in the new school year, please keep the office informed when your plans are known. Please note: if your plans include transferring to another Richmond school, Transfer Request Forms must be submitted by email to the school of choice between February 7th and February 25th

PAC Corner: We are continuing to pause on having PAC hot lunch programs during the month of February. Parents can still register their child in the hotunches.net system if they wish, so in future they can order / pay when we are able to restart food days.