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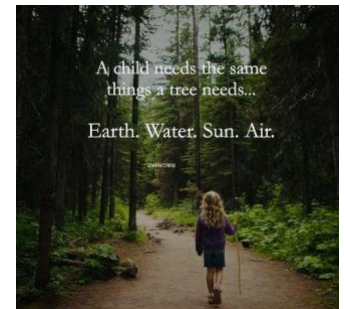
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The Week Ahead ~ November 18th – November 22nd, 2024

We invite families to visit the School Calendar on our website for all of our future notable dates and events. Simply click on the ‘event’ for more details.

- November 18 – PAC Hot Lunch – Just Poke
- November 18 – 22 Bollywood Residency (School Wide)
- November 18 – Volleyball Vs. Grauer (Away)
- November 22 – Bollywood Performance in the afternoon (Families Welcome)
- November 22 – PAC Movie Night “Inside Out 2”

This week’s weather was a good reminder to pack extra clothing and shoes so your child(ren) can enjoy the outdoor weather but also be comfortable afterwards. We surely experienced true Westcoast weather this week and it was filled with rain, puddles, wind and sun!



In Other Quilchena News:



Bollywood Residency: All Quilchena students will be part of a week-long Bollywood Dance program taught by Karima Essa starting on November 18th. We will end the week of lessons with a final performance on the afternoon of November 22nd. All parents are welcome to join our assembly, we are aiming for 1:30pm for our performance but we will confirm next week and inform you. A huge thank you goes out to our PAC for heavily subsidizing this experience for our students.

Library Renovation Update: In mid to late November, we will begin to pack up our library and we will be shifting our library space to a mobile library where Ms. McCormick will be bringing the library to classrooms. Much of the demolition will occur over the Winter and begin construction and the rebuild in early January. We are very excited to begin this long-awaited journey! We would like to thank everyone for supporting the PAC’s fundraising initiatives to support the renovation. Our upcoming Movie Night and Popcorn Day fundraisers go towards our library.

Parent Education Sessions 2024/25 School Year: The Richmond School District is excited to offer a variety of parent education sessions during the 2024/25 school year. These virtual sessions are open to all parents in the Richmond School District and will provide practical strategies, expert insights, and tools to support your child’s well-being in the digital age. More information and registration for parents is available on the SD38 District Website. Our second session *Cellphones: What’s Healthy, What’s Not, and What We Can Do to Support Our Kids* is in January hosted by Hannah Beach. Please read more: <https://sd38.bc.ca/news/2024-10-16/parent-education-sessions>.

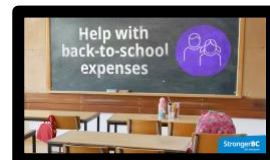


Kindergarten 2025: Kindergarten registration is ongoing until mid-January for children born in 2020. Visit our WEBSITE for more information about our online registration process, required documents, important dates, and FAQs. Videos detailing Kindergarten registration have been made available HERE. Thank you and please share this information with your friends and family who have Kindergarten aged children!

Parent Education Session: District Program Options for Kindergarten: The district will be hosting a virtual Parent Education Session for District Program Options for Kindergarten on November 26th at 6:00 pm. Please see the attached poster for more information about the event.

IPALS 2025 Registration Now Open: IPALS (Parents as Literacy Supporters in Immigrant Communities) aims to help immigrant and refugee families learn new strategies to support their preschool-aged children's learning in fun and interactive ways. IPALS is supported by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC). The Richmond School District will host the IPALS program at Woodward Elementary StrongStart on Tuesday mornings from January 14 to March 11, 2025. Eligible families can use the link on the attached poster to register for the program. Registration is now open.

Needing Support: The provincial government has renewed the *Student and Family Affordability Fund*. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school supplies, fees or other school-related costs. We are requesting that families reach out to Mrs. Kusch (nkusch@sd38.bc.ca). 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.



PAC News:

PAC Movie Night is coming! Our first movie night '**Inside Out 2**' will be on Friday, November 22nd. Doors open at 5:30 PM show starts at 6 PM. Admission is \$3 per person (cash only). Limited snacks will be for sale. **November 15th is the final day to order pizza HERE.**



We also need volunteers to help on the night. If you're available, CLICK HERE to sign up.



Purdy's Chocolates Campaign This very popular fundraiser is back! Get your holiday treats now from the Quilchena PAC 2024 Holiday Fundraiser! The PAC will receive 25% of all profits from sales. Deadline to order is November 25th! Pick up will be December 6th after school **CLICK HERE**

Golden Samosas Campaign Ordering is now open! To raise money for Quilchena's Library Renovation Fund, the PAC is selling samosas (half-baked), a box of 20 is \$30. What's a samosa you ask - a vegetarian pastry filled with potatoes, peas, onions, cilantro and a blend of special spices. Our supplier, *Golden Samosa*, in Surrey is well known for their delicious light pastry samosas - a great appetizer, especially for upcoming holiday parties. Order deadline is November 28th. **CLICK HERE**



Pedalheads Swim Lessons: Pedalheads is offering a fundraising opportunity for families that would like to sign up for swimming lessons. BC Swim Programs running until March 16th are currently open for registration. Anyone registering for lessons until December 31st can use the "QUILCHENARICH25" discount code to automatically receive \$25 off, the PAC will also receive \$25 for each registration. Click **HERE** for details.

Questions? Email Vanessa at Quilchenafundraising@gmail.com

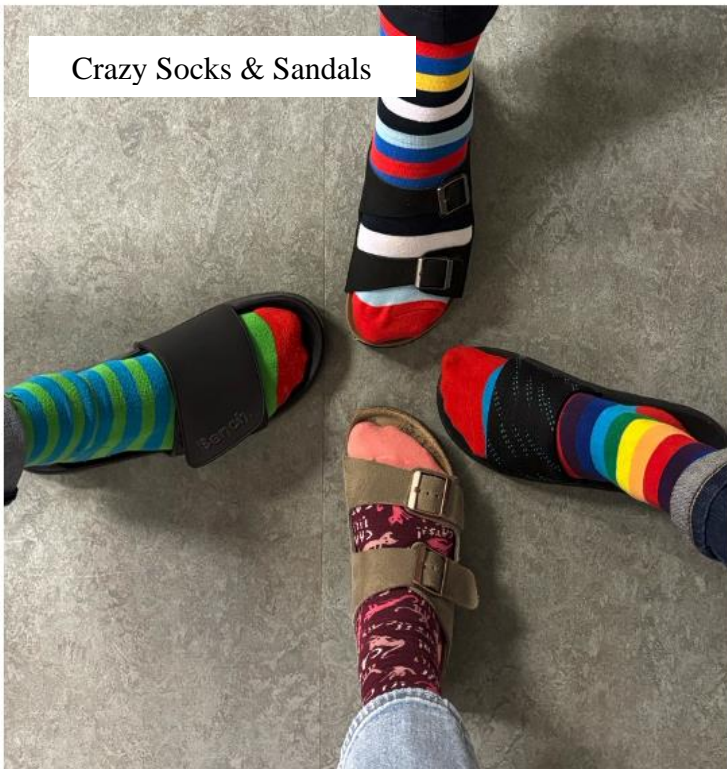
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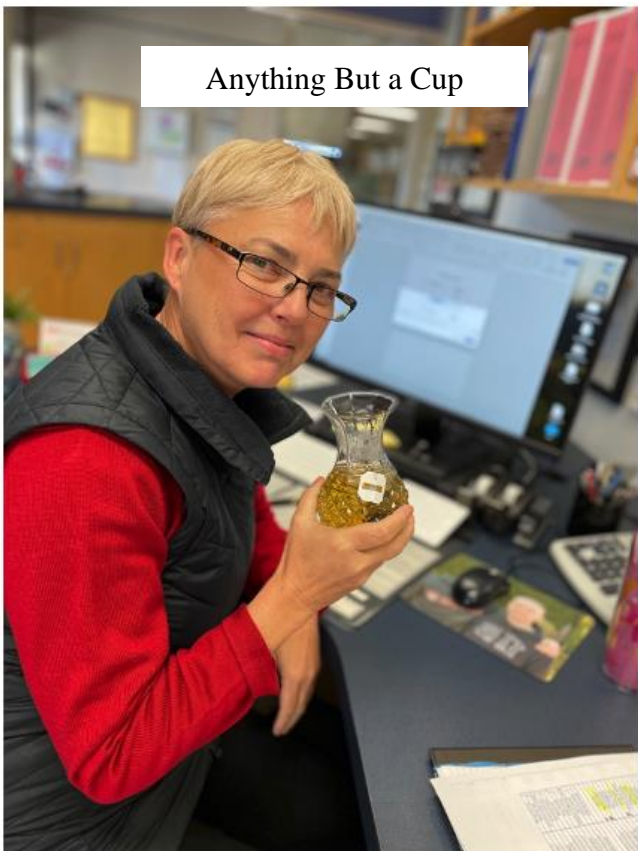
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