



Quilchena Elementary
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Quilchena Community
The Week Ahead ~ April 21st – April 25th

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

April – Sikh Heritage Month

April 21 – Easter Monday – Schools Closed

April 21 – Summer Learning Registration Opens

April 22 – PAC Hot Lunch Day (Just Poke)

April 22 – Library Open House (2:45pm)

April 22 – Earth Day

April 23 – Track Attack (gr.4-7)

April 24 – Samosa Fundraiser Pick Up after school

April 25 – Written Learning Updates available for families to view

The wind managed to blow away the clouds for this week and we all enjoyed the sunshine. As we approach a long weekend, please enjoy some outdoor time with your family and friends. Have a lovely Easter weekend and see you all Tuesday, Cyclones!

In Other Quilchena News:



**Sikh
Heritage
Month**

Sikh Heritage Month: Nationally, April is also the celebration of Sikh Heritage. Our local Sikh history and excellence is one to be acknowledged and shared. At Quilchena, we are honoring our Sikh local history, students and families, by engaging in awareness and dialogue with our staff and students to engage our learning community in Sikh history and excellence.

Easter: Easter is the holiest day of the year for Christians, commemorating the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Easter marks the end of the 40-day period of Lent, which is a traditional time of fasting, prayer, and penance. that begins on Ash Wednesday. The week before Easter is known as Holy Week. It is also celebrated as non-secular event by many Canadians.



Gr. 7 Farewell Fundraising: We had our first freezie sale today and the Grade 7's will be having 3 more sales on May 1st, May 15th and May 27th, to support their upcoming Farewell celebration. Students will be able to purchase Freezies for \$2 each. Thank you to the Gr. 7 Farewell Parent Committee for organizing and to the Grade 7 students for helping.

The Gr. 7 Farewell Parent Committee is requesting volunteers to help with Freezie Sales, as well as Volunteers leading up to the Farewell to help with lunch/dessert organization, decorations and overall help with set up for the June 20th Farewell. If you can volunteer some time, please email Quilchena.sd38.bc.ca with your contact information.



Library Open House: We are at the finish line and our library renovations are complete! We will be having an Open House on Tuesday, April 22nd and welcome all families to pop by after school to view our updated space. Hope to see you then!

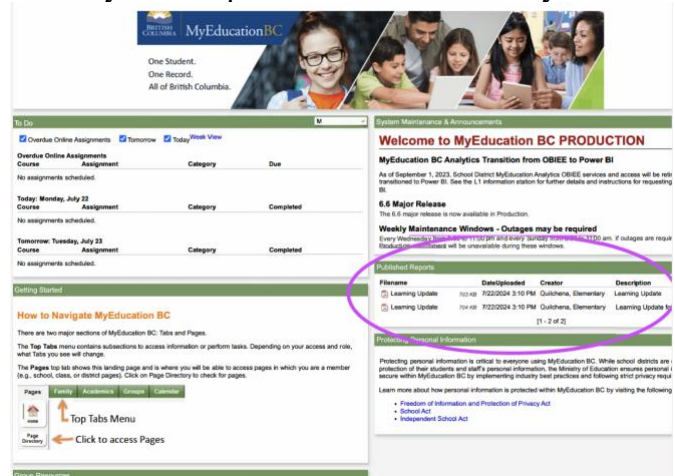
Earth Day: Earth Day, observed annually on April 22nd, is a global event dedicated to environmental protection. The 2025 theme, “**Our Power, Our Planet,**” highlights the connection between climate action and clean energy, emphasizing the role of individuals and communities in driving meaningful environmental change. Please see attached flyer to see how you can get involved with Earth Week Celebrations around Richmond.



Written Learning Updates: The MyEducation BC Parent Portal is the site where you can view attendance, contact information, and published Learning Updates (report cards). Your child’s Written Learning Update, along with your child’s ELL report (if applicable), will soon be available for you to view. New families to our school were emailed from the District regarding instructions on how to access your MyEd account and how to reset your password if it expired. Accounts are created using the email addresses that you have provided to the office. If you have

issues logging into MyEd please send an email to the District MyEd Support Team at the following email address: MyEdParentPortal@sd38.bc.ca. In the subject line please put Parent Portal, and in the message, include the following: Student’s Full Name, Pupil #, Parent/Guardian Name and Email Address.

Active accounts will remain active. However, you may have activated in past years and have lost the password or the password has expired. You can request a password reset by using the ‘I forgot my password’ link on the MyED log in page or you can send an email to MyEDParentPortal@SD38.bc.ca.



Lost & Found: Our Lost & Found table is VERY full! Do you recognize anything?



Strategic Plan Open Houses: The Richmond School District is hosting a series of open houses in April to engage parents and caregivers in the **2025-2030 Strategic Plan** process. These sessions will provide an opportunity to learn more about the plan, ask questions, and share feedback that will help shape the district’s priorities for the next five years.

Upcoming Open Houses

April 24, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Cambie Secondary
April 28, 2025 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Online session ([Click here to register](#))



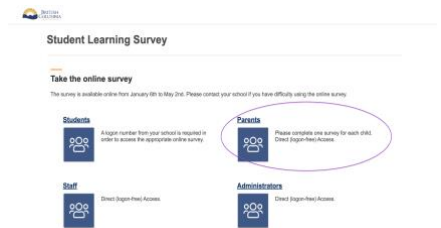
For more details and ongoing updates on the strategic planning process, please visit sd38.bc.ca/strategicplan.



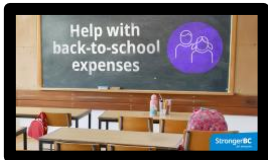
Summer Learning: Interested in signing up your child(ren) for a Summer Learning Course? Registration for Elementary students starts **Monday April 21 @ 7PM!** Did you know that Richmond Continuing Education Summer Learning Program is FREE (one free course) for BC students who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents, who have refugee status and whose parents are living in BC with a valid work permit? (Note: students entering grade 8 can register for up to three Secondary Enrichment courses.) Summer camps for Elementary age students are also available at an additional cost. You can find Summer Learning 2025 general information HERE. Check out all the exciting Summer Courses we are planning on offering this Summer Learning 2025 in the attachments.



Student Learning Survey 2024-2025: The Student Learning Survey (SLS) has been administered every year in B.C. public schools since 2001. Prior to 2016-17 it was known as the Student Satisfaction Survey. The SLS provides feedback on the implementation of the curriculum changes, learning environment, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation. The SLS is the only source of province-wide information about students' learning experiences through the perspectives of students, parents, guardians/caregivers, and school staff. Schools and districts use the SLS to make informed decisions around long-term planning and goal setting, and in providing individual students personalized support. The Student Learning Survey is being administered to students in grades 4 and 7 at school. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to complete a survey if they have a child(dren) in Grades 4, 7, 10, 11 and 12. A parent may complete a survey for each child in the targeted grades and the parent survey is available in English and 18 other languages. The parent and guardian/caregiver survey is now available online. **The survey will be available until Friday, May 2nd,** and will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. Your responses are voluntary and anonymous, and your child will not be identified as a result of your participation in the survey. Any personal or identifying information will be deleted before results are stored. Data will be stored and accessible only within Canada. [Student Learning Survey Link](#)



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. 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:

Golden Samosas: Thank you for supporting our PAC Samosa fundraiser! Pick up will be after school on April 24th at the front of the school.

PAC Meeting: The next PAC Meeting will be on Wednesday, April 30th at 7pm. Details, and the agenda will be emailed to parents the day before.

Questions? Please contact quilchenapac@gmail.com for more information.

A Peek into Lunchtime Play and Freezie Day





