

TIMBERWOLF TIMES

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FROM OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Dear Talmey Families,

It's hard to believe December is just around the corner! We are looking forward to several special events in the lead up to winter break. Our Jingle Bell Run, a Family Teams activity, PJ day along with our sing-a-long event are a few of the activities we have planned.

A reminder, our first term Learning Updates/Reports will be posted to the MyEd Parent Portal on December 18th. Instructions about how to access reports are included in this newsletter and on our school website.

With December comes colder weather. A reminder to ensure children are dressed in appropriate layers and footwear so they are comfortable and dry when playing outside at recess and lunchtime.

We have a Pro-D day this coming Monday, December 1st. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday (Popcorn Day).

Thanks so much,

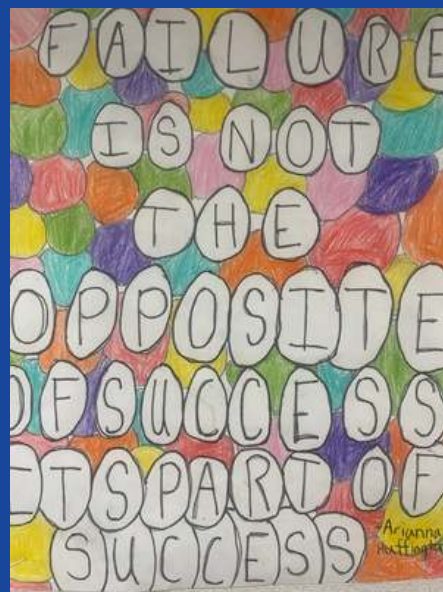
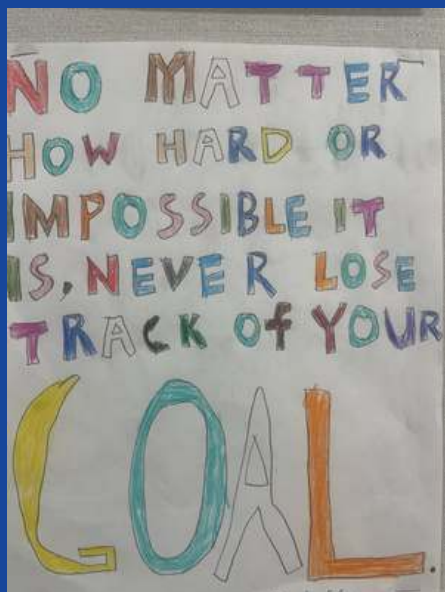
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School Events

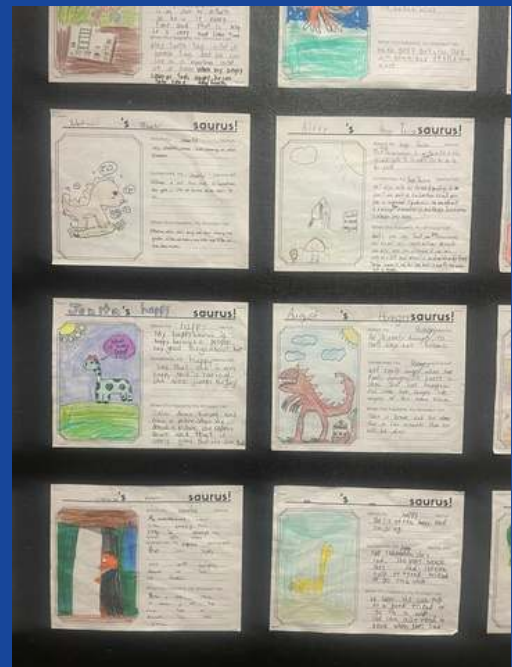
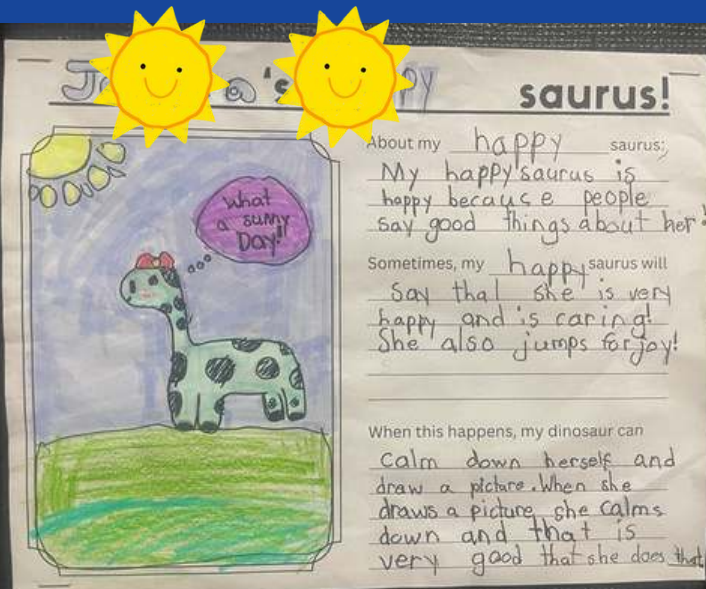
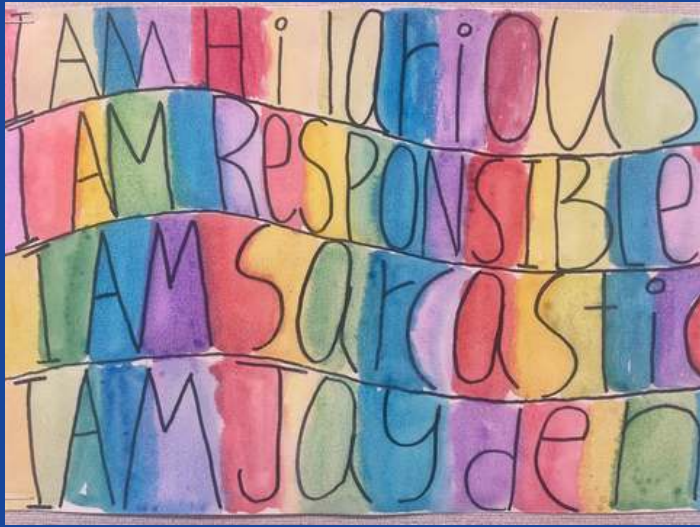
MON, DEC 1	Pro-D Day (No School)
TUE, DEC 2	Popcorn Day
FRI, DEC 5	Hot Lunch Day
FRI, DEC 12	Jingle Bell Run & Hot Lunch
TUE, DEC 16	Popcorn Day & Family Team
THURS, DEC 18	Term 2 Learning Updates/Report Cards posted to Parent Portal
FRI, DEC 19	Last day before winter break PJ Day & Sing-A-Long



LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Learning Updates/First Term Reports-Thursday, December 18th



Learning Updates/Report cards **will be posted on the MyEd Parent Portal** on Thursday, December 18th. We will email families to let you know when you can access the learning updates. Please note, it is suggested that you download and/or print a hard copy as the information is only held in the Parent Portal for 4 weeks. Please note, **we will not be sending hard copies home this term**. Parents are welcome to contact their child's teacher to discuss their child's progress.

Below is some information about proficiency scales:

The Provincial Proficiency Scale

The use of the Provincial Proficiency Scale gives students, parents, and caregivers a clear understanding of what students can do now and areas for future growth. Reporting scales are already being used by all districts in the province.

Proficiency Scale: Kindergarten to Grade 9

Emerging	The student demonstrates an initial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.
Developing	The student demonstrates a partial understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.
Proficient	The student demonstrates a complete understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.
Extending	The student demonstrates a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning.
IE	(Insufficient Evidence of Learning) The student has not provided sufficient evidence of learning in relation to the learning outcomes for the course.

City of Richmond – 2025/26 Grade 5 Active Pass

The Grade 5 Active Pass is now available to all Richmond students registered in Grade 5. Each Pass includes free admission until June 30, 2026, to various drop-in programs at local community centres. Details about how to register are [available at this link](#).



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Volleyball Season

Our volleyball players participated in the MacNeill tournament last week. We congratulate all of our players for representing Talmey with positivity and enthusiasm. A big thank you to our students for their dedication and energy. A huge thank you to Mr. Snyder and Ms Feng for coaching our team!



Jingle Bell Run - Friday, December 12th

In the afternoon on December 12th, our school community will get in the holiday spirit by participating in a jingle bell run! Classes will gather in the gym for a warm-up led by our student leaders. Students will all receive bells before beginning our run to help make the event festive and fun. We are looking forward to this exciting annual event!



PJ Day and Sing A Long - Friday, December 19th

Friday, December 19th is our final "Talmey Spirit Day" for 2025 and everyone is encouraged to wear their "PJ's" as we gather in the gym to enjoy songs and community fun! More details to come.



Talmey Elementary will welcome instructors from "The Young Actors Project" into all classes in early January. Our students have shared that they would like more opportunities to practice their public speaking, and we know Drama can build the self-confidence and bravery that is needed to stand up and speak in front of others. A big thank you to our PAC for sponsoring this kind of fun, risk-taking activity!



SAFER SPACE:

Staying Safe Online

Safer Space is an interactive workshop designed for children and youth to better understand how to stay safe when using apps, social media, and video games.



SAFER SPACE WORKSHOP OUTLINE GRADES 4 - 5

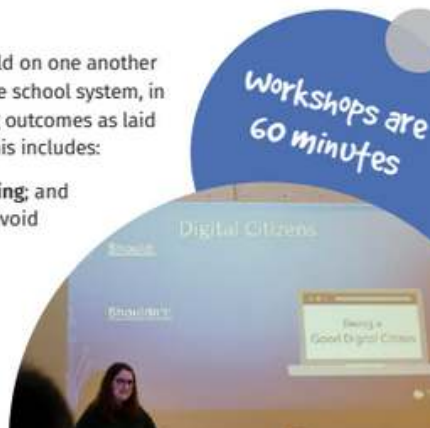
Safer Space defines and discusses online exploitation in an engaging and accessible way. By using real life examples, activities, videos, and lively discussions, our presenters walk through online exploitation in a relatable way for our participants.

Safer Space workshops identify:

- online exploitation and digital blackmail
- red flags for online exploitation
- digital citizenship and permanency
- online safety tips for using apps and video games
- safe adults and ways to reach out for help
- resources available

Our workshops are designed to build on one another as a student progresses through the school system, in addition to addressing key learning outcomes as laid out by the Ministry of Education. This includes:

- goal setting and decision making; and
- personal safety strategies to avoid exploitative situations on the internet.



Sessions for Talmey students in Grades 4-7 are planned for next Tuesday, Dec. 2nd.

SAFER SPACE WORKSHOP OUTLINE GRADES 6 - 8

Safer Space defines and discusses online sexual exploitation in an engaging and accessible way. By using real life examples, activities, videos, and lively discussions, our presenters walk through online exploitation in a relatable way for our participants.

Safer Space workshops identify:

- online sexual exploitation and digital blackmail ('sextortion')
- warning signs of luring and grooming
- impact of intimate image sharing and 'deepfakes'
- digital citizenship and permanency
- online safety tips
- ways to reach out for help
- resources available

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- goal setting and decision making; and
- personal safety strategies to avoid exploitative situations on the internet.



For Grade 7 Families...

Incentive Outdoor Program

Hello Grade 7 Parents/Guardians,

We wanted to provide you some information about the District Incentive Outdoor Education Program.

It is an option for all Richmond SD 38's learners to join during their early high school years.

The Incentive Outdoor Program is an opportunity for future Grade 8-10 students to learn outdoor skills, advance in their academics, foster empathy and understanding for others, and develop leadership skills.

If you would like to know more, please check out their website, and join the info session happening on
December 4th (5:30 PM).

www.incentiveoutdoorprogram.wordpress.com

RICHMOND
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

INCENTIVE OUTDOOR PROGRAM

For creative, inclusive & motivated students with a passion for the outdoors, being part of a community & advancing their academics.

**Parent Info Session
DECEMBER 4 @5:30PM**

**TO JOIN: Click [Virtual TEAMS Link](#)
scan QR code, OR add meeting ID**

Meeting ID: 217 919 381 799 4

Passcode: Aj9i8Ga9

*Welcome to any Grade 6/7 parents
from Richmond SD 38.*



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For questions/inquires:
bcapalad@sd38.bc.ca



DISTRICT NEWS



We are excited to welcome kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2021, turning 5 in 2026. These children will begin kindergarten in September 2026. Online registration begins November 1, 2025.

Families are encouraged to register any time during the priority 1 registration period (November – January) for the best chance at attending their catchment school. All registration applications completed any time during the priority 1 registration period will receive placement decisions via emails from the school by February 6, 2026.

As per district policy, a student will normally attend the school located in their catchment area in which their parents or legal guardians reside unless there is no physical, resource or program space available. This provision may need to be applied more frequently, potentially resulting in more students needing placement outside their catchment school.

<https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration>

PARENT EDUCATION SESSIONS

Safer Schools Together is offering a variety of parent education sessions during the 2025/26 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 Safer School Together website.

<https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-sessions>





TALMEY PAC



COFFEE FUNDRAISER

Hello Talmey families: The PAC is very excited to collaborate with JJ Bean to hold a winter fundraiser. JJ Bean has been one of Vancouver's favourite independent specialty coffee roasters since 1996, and we are very excited to be partnering for them again. They are known for quality, freshness and great tasting coffee.

Our fundraiser will open Thursday November 27th and you will be able to order coffee through the Munch-a-Lunch online ordering system (<https://www.munchalunch.com>) until 11:59pm on Wednesday December 10th



More information, please check the attachment below!

PAC REMINDERS

MEETING

Talmey PAC Meeting on Wednesday, January 14 @ 6:30 PM

A reminder that all families are welcome to attend PAC meetings. We will be meeting in the library and childcare is available.

Please contact TalmeyPAC@gmail.com if there are any questions regarding PAC matters.

Hot Lunch

If you are interested in placing an order, please do so through the Munch a Lunch site. (<https://munchalunch.com/schools/RCTalmey>)

*To order for next Friday, orders must be placed one week prior.

Hot lunch dates for Term 1:

- November 7, 14, 21, 28
- December 5, 12, 19



Tuesday, Dec 2nd is our next popcorn day! Popcorn is \$1 a bag and will be available for sale in the multi-purpose room at recess.



Follow the Talmey PAC on social media!

www.instagram.com/talmeypac
www.facebook.com/talmeypac



Reminder

Parking Lot Safety

The parking lot can get congested at drop off and pick up times. Thank you for driving carefully and watching closely for pedestrians in this area. We ask that drivers abide by the No Stopping regulations in front of the school, which are being regularly enforced by By-Law Officers and the RCMP. Again, this is for the safety of all members of our learning community. Thank you for your support.

Dress for the Weather

It is important that students are dressed for the weather. During these colder damp days, students need to have proper jackets, footwear, hats and gloves so they can enjoy playing outside. If it should snow, students should have extra clothing and boots or a dry pair of socks and shoes to change into if they want to play in the snow at recess and lunch. On a snow day, our school will remain open if possible.

SNOW DAYS

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No announcement will be made saying that schools will be open. Only closures will be announced via the SD38 Twitter account, school and district websites, and on the radio at CKNW AM 980, News AM 1130, CBC AM 690, Fairchild AM 1470, CHQM FM 103.5. Closures will be announced as early as possible.

Flu and Cold Season

It is that time again – flu and cold season. Please help us keep everyone healthy by reminding your child to wash their hands regularly. Using soap and warm water is a great way to clean hands. If your child is ill, please keep them home from school. Thank you.



Lost and Found



We have had quite a variety of 'lost' items gather in our lost and found over this past term. All items will be on display over the next few weeks (in the front foyer). Please come by to look at these items before winter break and claim anything that belongs to your child/children. All unclaimed items will be donated after Friday, December 13th.

Extended Absences

During the year students may be absent from school for an extended period of time. It is district policy that students may only be absent for 4 (four) consecutive weeks and retain their place in the school. After 4 weeks, students will be removed from the school register. Upon returning, students will have to re-register at the school board office. If we have space, your child will be placed in a class, but not necessarily the class they left. It will take a few days for your child to be placed, so they cannot begin school on the day you return. If Talmey is full, the district will find space in the nearest available school. Teachers do not provide work for students on extended absences.

TALMEY CALENDAR

Monday, December 1	Professional Development Day (no school)
Thursday, December 18	Learning Update #2 Written Updates get Published
Friday, December 19	Last day of School before Winter Break
Monday, Dec 22 to Fri, Jan 2	Winter Break (no school)
Monday, January 5	School Reopens after Winter Break
Friday, January 23	Professional Development Day (no school)
Thursday, February 12	Early Dismissal @ 11:50 am- Learning Update #3/Conferences
Friday, February 13	Professional Development Day (no school)
Monday, February 16	BC Family Day (no school)
Friday, March 13	Last day of School before Spring Break
March 16 - 27	Spring Break (no school)
Monday, March 30	School Reopens after Spring Break
Friday, April 3	Good Friday (no school)
Monday, April 6	Easter Monday (no school)
Thursday, April 23	Learning Update #4/ Written Updates get Published
Tuesday, April 28	Spring Immunization
Friday, May 15	Professional Development Day (no school)
Monday, May 18	Victoria Day (no school)
Thursday, June 25	Last Day of School for Students
Thursday, June 25	Learning Update #5/ Written Updates get Published
Friday, June 26	Admin Day

