

TIMBERWOLF TIMES

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Dear Talmey Families,

FROM OUR ADMIN TEAM

Happy Spring Break!

We have had a busy last few weeks with some extra special events!

Our basketball teams competed in the McNeill tournament last Wednesday and for the second year in a row both of our teams made it to the finals! The two final games were exciting. Our players represented Talmey school with great spirit and enthusiasm. Talmey won one game and lost one game. We have a trophy on display at the front of the school. We thank our coaches, Ms. Feng, Mr. Snyder and Ms. Choy for their support and dedication.

We ended last week with a special performance by the DuffleBag theatre. They put on an entertaining and humorous performance of Robin Hood. We thank our PAC for funding this special event!

This week, we had our first band concert of the year. We thank our Divisions 1, 2 and 3 students for showcasing their musical talents. We thank Mr. Naluz for organizing the concert and for supporting our students as they prepared for the performance.

On Wednesday of this past week, our Grade 4/5 classes showcased their Heritage Fair projects. Please see the photo highlights below. We thank Ms. Singh, Ms. Gavsie & Ms. Italia and Ms. Trainor for guiding their students through this research project.



TALMEY OFFICE REMINDER

IF YOUR CHILD(REN) WILL BE AWAY FROM SCHOOL, PLEASE EMAIL OR CALL THE OFFICE TO ADVISE US OF THEIR ABSENCE.

TALMEY PHONE: 604-668-6275 OPTION 1

TALMEY EMAIL: TALMEY@SD38.BC.CA

SPRING BREAK



STARTS ON FRIDAY, MAR 15

TO MONDAY, APR 1

School will re-open on Tuesday, April 2

MAR-APR CALENDAR

THURS, MAR 14 Last Day of School before Spring Break

MAR 15-28 Spring Vacation

FRI, MAR 29 Good Friday (no school)

MON, APR 1 Easter Monday (no school)

TUES, APR 2 Return to School

WED, APR 17 Spring Immunization for Kindergarten & Grade 6s

WED, APR 17 PAC Fundraiser : Chocolate Sales Ends

LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS

Duffle Bag Theatre



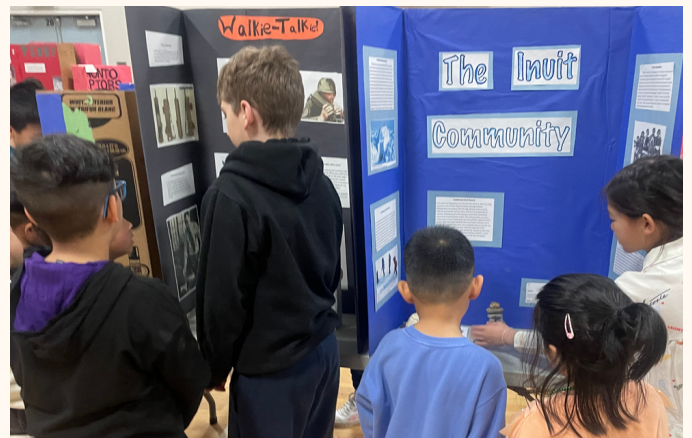
Scholastic Book Fair



Band Concert



Heritage Fair





MARCH CELEBRATIONS



MAR 1

Zero Discrimination Day is an annual day celebrated on 1 March each year by the United Nations and other international organizations. The day aims to promote equality before the law and in practice throughout all of the member countries of the UN. In February 2017, UNAIDS called on people to "make some noise around zero discrimination, to speak up and prevent discrimination from standing in the way of achieving ambitions, goals and dreams."



WOMEN'S DAY

MAR 8

International Women's Day is a global holiday celebrated annually on March 8 as a focal point in the women's rights movement. International Women's Day gives focus to issues such as gender equality, reproductive rights, and violence and abuse against women.

The campaign theme for International Women's Day 2024 is Inspire Inclusion.



MAR 10-APR 9

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar, observed by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting (sawm), prayer, reflection, and community. A commemoration of Muhammad's first revelation, the annual observance of Ramadan is regarded as one of the Five Pillars of Islam and lasts twenty-nine to thirty days, from one sighting of the crescent moon to the next.



MAR 21

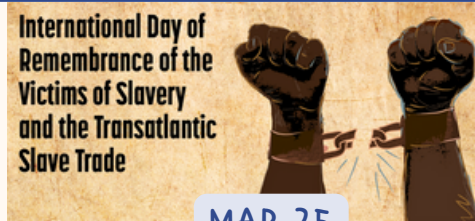
The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is observed annually on the day the police in Sharpeville, South Africa, opened fire and killed 69 people at a peaceful demonstration against apartheid "pass laws" in 1960. The 2023 theme of the International Day focuses on the urgency of combatting racism and racial discrimination, 75 years after the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).



MAR 25

Holi is a popular and significant Hindu festival celebrated in many states of India and Nepal with regional holidays in other countries. Holi is celebrated as the Festival of Colours, Love, and Spring.

It celebrates the eternal and divine love of the deities Radha and Krishna. Additionally, the day signifies the triumph of good over evil, as it commemorates the victory of Vishnu as Narasimha over Hiranyakashipu.



MAR 25

International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade is a United Nations international observance designated in 2007 to be marked on 25 March every year.

The day honours and remembers those who suffered and died as a consequence of the transatlantic slave trade, which has been called "the worst violation of human rights in history", in which over 400 years more than 15 million men, women and children were the victims.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TALMEY

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR



We thank Ms. Yang for organizing a successful book fair. The funds raised in our book fair exceeded our goal!

We thank our parent volunteers for helping in our library last week.

LIBRARY LOUNGE

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS



On Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until 3:30 PM, our Library Learning Commons will continue to be open as a “Library Lounge”

for students and families to spend leisure time together and build connections with other members of our school community. The Library Lounge can be used for reading, drawing, playing board games, puzzles, or completing homework. **Please remember that students attending our library lounge sessions must be accompanied by an adult guardian.** We look forward to welcoming you!

MARATHORN RUN CLUB

Marathon Run Club- Coming Soon!

Our school Marathon Running Club will be starting soon! We thank Mrs. Janzen for leading our run club and look forward to many students participating in running laps at recess and lunch.

More information to come!



GRADE 4 & 7 PARENT SURVEY REMINDER

Each year our Grade 4 & 7 students complete Student Learning Surveys. Our Grade 4 & 7 students will be completing these in early April. The Ministry of Education also invites parents and staff participation.

Please take a little time to visit http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey to share your thoughts and ideas. Your opinions will help guide the future of education in BC. The online survey will be available until May 3rd.

TAKE SURVEY



COMING UP IN APRIL

SALEEMA NOON

Talk Sex Today - Body Science Boot Camp for Parents

Parenthood never arrives with a rulebook, and when it comes to explaining the world of sexual health to your child, it can be hard not to end up a bright shade of red. Using humor and straight talk in an open, interactive environment, Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators will show you how easy it is to convey healthy, positive messages about sexual health to kids.

In this workshop parents will learn:

1. Why we need to talk to children about sexual health at a young age
2. How to reduce risk of child sexual abuse
3. What children should know at each stage of development, with specific examples of how to explain concepts and processes
4. How to become their kids' preferred source of sexual health information
5. How to normalize open, honest sexual health conversations in their family
6. How to effectively answer even the toughest questions kids ask
7. What will be covered in Body Science workshops for students

Join us via live Zoom! (Zoom link will be provided closer to the date).

When: Monday, April 15th

Time: 6:30 pm

SPONSORED BY the Talmey PAC

For more information about Saleema Noon Sexual Health Educators go to www.saleemanoon.com.

*Student sessions will follow on April 18th and 19th. More information about student sessions will be sent home closer to the date.

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TALMEY PAC

TALMEY PAC MEETING – WED, APR 17TH AT 6:30 PM

PAC MEETING



A reminder to all Talmey parents that every parent is invited and welcome to join these monthly meetings as another opportunity to support the school.

CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

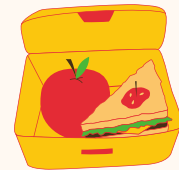


Our World's Finest Chocolate fundraiser has started from **March 8th to April 17th**. Our goal this year is to sell 300 cases!!! These funds will ensure the PAC is able to continue providing student enrichment opportunities.

Any money collected can be returned to PAC between 8:30-8:45am Monday to Friday in the multi/out front of the school.

PAC REMINDERS

HOT LUNCH dates are **Friday April 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th**. All orders must be submitted seven days before the lunch date on <https://munchalunch.com/schools/RCTalmey>.



Please contact Jana at rctalmeyhotlunch@gmail.com if you have any questions about hot lunch or volunteering. Should you have issues using the Munch-a-Lunch website please contact Melissa at mmchui@gmail.com.



The PAC also has small **snacks for sale** on hot lunch Fridays that cost between \$0.50 and \$1.50, parents can send small amounts of money with their child if they wish for them to be able to purchase these extra snacks. Please **DO NOT** send your child with large bills.

Tuesday, April 16th & 30th are our next **popcorn days!** Popcorn is \$1 a bag and will be available for sale in the multi-purpose room at recess.



If you have any questions regarding PAC matters, please reach e-mail our Talmey PAC at: TalmeyPAC@gmail.com



REMINDERS



Daily Health Check

SHOULD I GO TO SCHOOL TODAY?

We appreciate your support in keeping your child home when they are not feeling well.

Students should not come to school when they are sick.

If your child is not feeling well please continue to keep them home until their symptoms have resolved. If you know your child will be absent for a range of days, please leave that information as well.

Staying home when sick helps keep our entire school community healthy including teachers, admin staff and students. **Please do your part and stay home when sick.**

[Click here for the health assessment](#)



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 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.

PARKING LOT SAFETY

The parking gets congested twice a day, and only for a few minutes in the morning and at 2:45pm. However, in consulting with **the RCMP they do remind us all not to double park or block access for cars as you may be dropping or picking up your children.** If there are no parking spaces available, please do not double park! Exit the parking lot and park along the side streets that allow for parking, while abiding 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.



PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK SAFETY

The City of Richmond Community Bylaws have advised our district that they have observed an increase in drivers stopping their vehicles on marked crosswalks during pick-up and drop-off times at various school locations.

Vehicle stopped on marked crosswalks create challenges for pedestrians to cross safely, cause sightline obstructions, and make it difficult for drivers of oncoming vehicles to see them, posing a significant safety risk — especially during this time of year with less daylight.

***Bylaw enforcement officers will be issuing tickets for vehicles stopping on marked crosswalks.** Please help us improve pedestrian safety and avoid stopping/parking on crosswalks. Thank you for your understanding.

HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- 1** Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2** Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3** Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4** Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5** Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- 6** Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.



Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct is available online at:
sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct



**Spring
Break**
in Richmond

March 15–April 1

richmond.ca/SpringBreak



THE CITY IS OFFERING SOME LOW-COST AS WELL AS FREE FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES OVER THE UPCOMING

Registration for September 2024 opens soon!
Children born in 2020 may apply

Our preschool program is specifically designed for 4-year old children (born in 2020) to attend Just B4 with the hope of inspiring and supporting the creation of rich, joyful early childhood spaces. Our approach is emergent, play-based and focuses on children's natural inquiries.

"The image of the child is upheld in the belief that children are strong and capable in their uniqueness and full of potential."

PROGRAMS

Just B4 – Lee Elementary

M/W/F Program (9:00 – 11:30 am)

Just B4 – Lee Elementary

T/Th Program (9:00 – 11:30 am)

Just B4 – Grauer Elementary

M/W/F Program (12:30 – 3:00 pm)

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M/T/W/Th/F Program (12:30 – 3:00 pm)

Apply online in the beginning of March 2024:

<https://sd38.bc.ca/programs/early-learning-programs/just-b4-preschool>

