TIMBERWOLF TIMES

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FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

A reminder that there will be an early dismissal day next Thursday (October 24th) at 11:50 a.m. for parent/teacher conferences-Learning update #1. This communication between home and school is so valuable in supporting students' academic and social/emotional growth.

We are looking forward to many learning highlights coming up in the next few weeks including our first family teams activity and our Great Pumpkin Run.

Please see the photos below as we have tried to capture some of our learning highlights from the past few weeks.

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School Events

TUE, OCT 22 Popcorn Day

THU, OCT 24 Early Dismissal 11:50 AM

FRI, OCT 25 Pro-D Day (no school)

FRI, NOV 1 Hot Lunch

TALMEY REMINDER

The Library Lounge is back!



is now OPEN every* Tuesday and Thursday from 2:45 - 3:30 PM

Students and their families are welcome to visit the library after school to read, play board games, puzzles, draw, or complete homework! Students must have an adult guardian with them. We hope to see you after school!



Basic School Supplies and Planners PAST DUE

Thank you to all the parents who have registered and paid their fees online.

Payment for these items is now past due.

Payment must be made online as cash and cheques will NOT be accepted. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please call or email Ms. Hazon.

If you are having difficulties registering online, please email at talmey@sd38.bc.ca and we will walk you through the process.





Upcoming Dance Lessons, Nov 29th - Dec 5th

Our school is looking forward to a series of dance lessons beginning on November 29th and running till Thursday, December 5th.

All classes will be learning Bollywood style dance over five school days week.

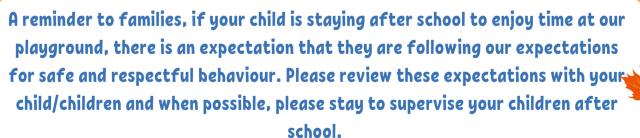
We will be extending an invitation to parents to join us for an evening performance on Thursday, December 5th (start time still TBD).

More information will be coming soon! We thank our PAC for funding this special learning opportunity.

Project Design Advisory Committee: Modular Classrooms

We thank our Project Design Advisory Committee for their time and support as we begin to learn more about plans for our 6 new modular classrooms. The project has a projected completion date of September 2025. We will keep you updated as plans continue to develop.

Playground and Outside Supervision After School



While we recognize that, "The Richmond School District is the best place to learn and lead." we also aim to be TALMEY STARS:



S-Safe

T-Thoughtful

A-Accepting

R-Responsible



Filoween Dress-up Choice

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

On October 31st students and staff will be joining in the spirit of the day by dressing in costumes or in black and orange.

Please remember that students are not to dress in costumes that present a safety issue for themselves or others or have any replica toy weapons as part of their costumes.

Students will still be expected to go out for recess to get some fresh air and exercise, so they should be able to move freely and play in their costumes.



REMINDER

Please leave masks and weapons that may go with your costumes at home. Masks can be scary, and difficult to see out of and weapons are never allowed to be brought to school, even plastic ones.

As always, we want dress up to be fun for ALL. When choosing costumes, we ask you to keep a few things in mind. Please see the list below and note that the following are NOT Costumes:

RACEcoloured face CULTUREIndigenous regalia/dreadlocks RELIGIOUS FAITHreligious figures /gods /saints GENDERgender switching for humour or to mock TRAUMAhangman's noose/weapons







STUDENT AND FAMILY AFFORDABILITY FUND

The Student and Family Affordability fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs.

The additional funding will also be used to support school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students.

We request that families reach out to Ms. Hazon if you need assistance with school supplies, fees or other school-related costs.

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.



DISTRICT NEWS

City of Richmond - 2024/25 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, 2025, to various drop-in programs at local community centres. Details about how to register are <u>available at this link</u>.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

We are excited to welcome kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2020, turning 5 in 2025. These children will begin kindergarten in September 2025. Online registration begins November 1, 2024.

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 7, 2025.

Kindergarten 2025/26 Parent Information Night - Students with

Disabilities and Diverse Abilities

Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2024

Time: 6:30pm

Hosts: Gordon Fitt, Liz Hayes-Brown and Sarah Loat

To join the meeting, click the Zoom link and enter passcode: 6000.

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.

Thank you and please share this information with your friends and family who have Kindergarten aged children!







TALMEY PAC

TALMEY PAC Fall Dance Social Event Fri, Nov 15, 6:30-8:00 PM

All Talmey families are invited to enjoy this wonderful event on Friday, November 15th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the gym. The Snack Shack will be open with special treats and pizza will be available for pre-order. Students may only attend if they are with a parent or guardian.

See the attached flyer for more information.



CALL FOR Class Representative

As we work to build community connections, our PAC is hoping to have a parent representative for each of our classes.

If you are interested in volunteering to be a class representative for one of our 16 divisions, please reach out to our PAC at TalmeyPAC@gmail.com.

We thank you in advance for your support!



PAC REMINDERS

Talmey Spirit Wear

We are pleased to let you know that our PAC will soon be selling Talmey Spirit Wear. We invite students to wear our school colours-blue & grey every Friday, or SPIRIT wear if they have it. Stay tuned for more information.

Talmey PAC Meeting @ Nov 20th @ 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 <u>TalmeyPAC@gmail.com</u> 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 & menu:

Tuesday, Nov 5th and Nov 19th 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



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Diwali and the Festival of Lights, begins on Oct 31st, 2024

There are many vibrant and important cultural events that occur over the school year and on October 31st the important celebrations of Diwali and the Festival of Lights will be celebrated by many of our families. We wish everyone a very HAPPY DIWALI and HAPPY FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS!

Please see attached for our Expanded DEI Calendar for October.

Photo Retake Day, Wednesday, Nov 6th







November 8th is the Memorial Day observed in Canada in recognition of aboriginal contributions to military service, particularly in the First and Second World Wars and the Korean War. Please click on the following link to learn more about the history of this day.https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Aboriginal_Veterans_Day



Remembrance Day, Monday, November 11th(no school)

Our Remembrance Day assembly is scheduled for Friday, November 8th at 10:30 am. We invite families to join us. We will be collecting donations for the poppy fund during the first week of November





Pro-D day, Monday, November 25th(no school)



Absence reminder

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain a healthy school environment.

If your child is unwell, please ensure they remain at home until their symptoms have completely resolved. If your child will be absent for several days, kindly notify the school with the expected dates.

Please leave a voicemail message at 604-668-6275 or email talmey@sd38.bc.ca
Leave your child's full name (first and last), Division #, teacher's name, the date, and reason for the absence.

Dress for the weather

It is important that students are dressed for the weather. As we begin to experience colder damp days, students need to have a proper jacket, footwear, a hat and gloves.

If they dress appropriately for the weather, they can enjoy playing outside as at Talmey, we consider all days suitable for outside play.



Time change



On Sunday, November 3rd at 2:00 am clocks are turned backward 1 hour to Sunday, November 3rd, 2024,1:00 am local standard time instead.

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour earlier on Nov 3rd, 2024 than the day before. It will be lighter in the morning.

Parking Lot Safety

Our parking lot can become quite congested at the end of the day. Please park on a side street and walk into the school for end of day pick up. This will help ease congestion in our lot.

- *Please avoid double parking in our school lot or blocking any cars.
- **We may need to close our parking lot if safety concerns arise.
- Thank you for your understanding as we work to keep our community safe.



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Tuesday, October 22	Popcorn Day
Thursday, October 24	Early Dismissal for Learning Updates/Conferences (11:50am)
Friday, October 25	Professional Development Day (no school)
Friday, Nov 01	Hot Lunch Day
Tuesday, November 05	Popcorn Day
Wednesday, Nov 06	Photo Retakes
Friday, November 08	Hot Lunch Day, Remembrance Day Assembly @10:30 am
Monday, November 11	Remembrance Day (no school)
Friday, November 15	Hot Lunch Day
Tuesday, November 19	Popcorn Day
Friday, November 22	Hot Lunch Day
Monday, November 25	Professional Development Day (no school)
Friday, November 29	Hot Lunch Day
Tuesday, December 3	Popcorn Day
Friday, November 6	Hot Lunch Day
Friday, November 13	Hot Lunch Day
Friday, November 20	Hot Lunch Day
Mon, Dec 23 to Fri, Jan 3	Winter Vacation (no school)
Monday, January 6	Return to School