



TRACK AND FIELD

Our Wolves are ready for our Minoru track meet on May 27. We look forward to a great day of running, jumping, and throwing. Go Wolfpack!



MOVIE NIGHT – JUNE 7

Bring a friend, blanket, and pillow to join us for our final movie night on June 7. Entry is free and pizza/concession can be purchased before the movie on [Munch-a-Lunch](#). Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Movie begins at 6:30 p.m.

PAC MEETINGS



Our PAC will hold their AGM next month. We encourage all parents to attend this meeting and ponder joining our PAC executive. Our PAC is a great group of parents that care for

our school and students. PAC are amazing resources for our entire school community. A strong PAC bonds our school community with our families. PAC is an excellent way for our families to connect directly with the action at our school as well as develop relationships within the parent community. **Our next meeting is our AGM on Tuesday, June 18th at 6:30 p.m.!** We hope to see parents out to join our PAC next year. Please reach out to our PAC at whitesidepac@hotmail.com for more information.

HOT LUNCH – JUNE 14



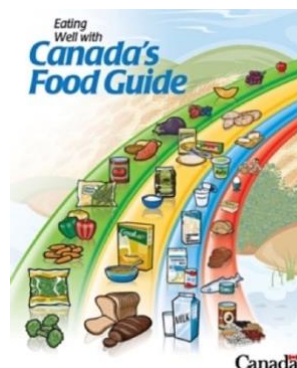
Celebrate Sports Day with Triple O's on June 14. Orders and full payments must be received on [munch-a-lunch](#) by no later than Friday, June 7th. Please ensure that you have fully paid for your children's order by this date, or their order(s) will be cancelled.

HEALTHY EATING HABITS

Picky eaters? Don't stress too much if your child refuses a food product or meal. Refrain from giving them something else in between meals just so that they eat. They will eat better at the next meal.

Don't worry too much if your child doesn't seem to be eating enough. If [their weight and size is on track](#), they are probably getting what they need. Just make sure to offer your child a variety of foods from all food groups to make sure they are getting the right nutrients. Your child's doctor will monitor their growth at regular appointments and will let you know if there are any problems.

Children's appetites change from day-to-day, or even from meal to meal. Because they have small stomachs, children need to eat small amounts often throughout the day. Children know how much food they need and will eat the amount that their body needs.



WHITESIDE READING INFORMATION OF THE WEEK

Read regularly
Little and often is the best approach with young readers.

Try setting aside 10 or 15 minutes of reading time each day. For some children, especially very young readers, four or five minutes of reading may be sufficient. This short time together should be enjoyable for you both.

Get comfortable

Find somewhere free from distractions. Giving your child your complete attention will help them learn how to focus and enjoy reading. Asking your child where they would like to read also helps. They may want to curl up on the floor or lounge on your lap in an armchair. Make the choice of where to read part of the reading for pleasure experience.

Be positive

While your child is reading, try not to interrupt them if they get things wrong. Let them finish a sentence or paragraph and then go back over anything you think is important.

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WHITESIDE WEBSITE

Our Whiteside website (<https://whiteside.sd38.bc.ca/>) hosts important information and reminders. Please visit to check our calendar, read the newsletter, see our school story, sign up for SchoolCashOnline or Munch-a-Lunch, and more!



SPRING WEATHER

Spring weather in Richmond can be unpredictable and we play outside every day. Please ensure your child is dressed in layers and ready for the rain. We encourage our Wolfpack to keep a spare change of clothes and shoes at school just in case they get wet.



PLAY N' EAT

We invite our students to join us in the gym every Friday morning at 8:10 a.m. for some breakfast snacks and playtime. Entry is through the gym doors.



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FEEDING FUTURES

Recently, the provincial government announced a new Feeding Futures School Program Fund, designed to assist schools in the development and enhancement of school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students. We currently provide breakfast and lunch options for students that need extra support during the school week. If you would like to request support for your child at school, please reach out to our principal, Brett Cameron (bcameron@sd38.bc.ca).



STUDENT AFFORDABILITY FUND

The provincial government recently announced a renewal of one-time funds for the *Student and Family Affordability Fund*. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs in the following areas:



- school and course fees.
- school supplies and course materials.
- field trips.
- school-related extracurricular opportunities.
- clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities.

Please reach out to our principal, Brett Cameron, (whiteside@sd38.bc.ca) if you need assistance. 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.

May 17	Pro-D day
May 20	Victoria day
May 22	Welcome to K event
May 24	Ian Maskin concert
May 24	Hot Lunch (Chipotle)
May 27	Track Meet
May 31	Family Teams event
June 3	Crepe Day
June 4	Gr. 7 rafting trip
June 7	Family Teams event
June 7	Movie Night!
June 14	Sports Day
June 21	Grade 7 farewell celebration
June 27	Last day of school for students



ALLERGY ALERT

All families should be aware that Whiteside School has many students with severe, life-threatening food allergies. Some classrooms may be designated nut free to protect the health of these students. Please help us limit the nut products entering our school overall, as the impact on a student can happen anywhere in the school. If possible, please do not send food to school containing nuts.



PARKING LOT SAFETY

Please help keep our students safe by using the drop off zone for picking up and dropping off students only. **Please do not leave your car unattended in the drop off zone or park in staff parking spots;** if you need to come into the school, please park in a parking space closer to South Arm Community Centre. When walking to school, please use the designated paths south and adjacent to the driveway as you enter the school grounds. Please follow arrows to keep our students safe and keep our parking lot accident free.