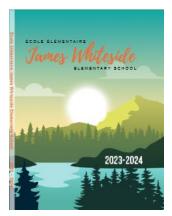


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## **2023-2024 YEARBOOK**

Yearbooks are available for pre-sale now! Please have your order in by **Sunday**, **June 2nd** to have your book delivered to the school without additional shipping costs. Please note, the school will NOT be purchasing extra yearbooks for sale. The vendor this year has changed (our previous

vendor was acquired by Edge Imaging). There will be no individual purchasing if you miss this deadline. Order on <a href="SchoolCash Online">SchoolCash Online</a>.

## TRACK AND FIELD

Our Wolves were tremendous athletes and community members at our Minoru track meet this week. They showed great sportsmanship and



teamwork. Most importantly, they had a lot of fun! Thank you to all the parents that volunteered, provided snacks and refreshments, and cheered on our Wolfpack!



## **GRADE 7 CELEBRATION**

We look forward to celebrating our grade sevens at our year end celebration on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Baby photos can be sent to <a href="mailto:bcameron@sd38.bc.ca">bcameron@sd38.bc.ca</a>.

## PLAY n' EAT BREAKFAST CLUB

Our final Breakfast Club will be June 7th.





# 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 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.! We hope to see parents out to join our PAC next year. Please reach out to our PAC at <a href="whitesidepac@hotmail.com">whitesidepac@hotmail.com</a> for more information.

## WHITESIDE WEBSITE

Our Whiteside website (<a href="https://whiteside.sd38.bc.ca/">https://whiteside.sd38.bc.ca/</a>)



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!



## **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.



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.



## **NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH**

In June, Canadians recognize and celebrate National Indigenous History Month to honor the history, heritage, and diversity of Indigenous peoples in Canada. Please visit: <a href="mailto:the NIPD site">the NIPD site</a> or <a href="mailto:the NIHM national site">the NIHM national site</a> for more information.

## **BAND CONCERT**

We invite you to attend our grade 5, 6, and 7 band concerts on Thursday, June 13 at 1:30 p.m. for our school community and 6:30 p.m.

Ms. LB has created a delightful afternoon of music that highlights the learning and growth of our band students. Please join us in the gym!



## 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 and sun. Bring a hat and sunscreen to school. We

encourage our Wolfpack to keep a spare change of clothes and shoes at school just in case they get wet.



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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).



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.



# 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.



June 3	Crepe Day
June 4	Gr. 7 rafting trip
June 7	Family Teams event
June 7	Movie Night!
June 13	Band concert at 6:30 p.m.
June 14	Sports Day
June 21	Grade 7 farewell celebration
June 27	Last day of school for students