



PARENT APPRECIATION DAY

We invite our parents to visit Whiteside on Wednesday, June 12 at 8:15 a.m. We will have treats and coffee available during a family reading event in the gym or for a quick grab n’ go in the drop off lane. Thank you for all the care and support you give to our school and community.



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: [the NIPD site](#) or [the NIHM national site](#) for more information.

SPORTS DAY – JUNE 14

We look forward to our amazing Sports Day on June 14th. Before school, bring bikes, scooters, etc. to the gym.



- 8:40 a.m. – check in regular classrooms
- 9:00 a.m. – 9:55 a.m. – bike parade, preschool race (bring your little brothers and sisters), school wide dance.
- 9:55 a.m. – 10:10 a.m. – Recess
- 10:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Sports Day stations
- 12:00 p.m. – 12:50 p.m. – Lunch
- 12:50 – 2:45 p.m. – Tug o’ War and Shoe Toss
- 2:45 p.m. – Dismissal

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!

LIBRARY REMINDERS

Next week is the last week of library book exchanges for all divisions. All library books are due back to the library on Monday, June 17th. Thank you.



GRADE 7 CELEBRATION

We look forward to celebrating our grade sevens at our year end celebration on June 21st.

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.



2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Please visit our website or see our weekly email for next year’s school calendar.



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.



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.



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.

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!



Translate Site



TRANSLATE OUR SITE

Did you know you can translate our whiteside.sd38.bc.ca website? 😊



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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.

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| June 13 | Band concert at 6:30 p.m. |
| June 14 | Sports Day and Hot Lunch |
| June 21 | Grade 7 farewell celebration |
| June 25 | Year end assembly |
| June 27 | Last day of school for students |



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.