

The Lion's Roar



Walter Lee Elementary

Student absence: 604-668-6269 & PRESS "1" School Website: https://lee.sd38.bc.ca/

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the həńqəmińəm language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn, and live.

Monday, December 16, 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dec 16-20	10 days of giving day 7 Div 1-4 &11 skating	10 days of giving day 8	10 days of giving day 9 PAC: Hot Chocolate and Treats	Hot Lunch: Westcoast Poke Winter Concert 1pm & 6pm Term 1 reports available @ 3pm 10 days of giving day 10	Last day of school Sleepover spirit day (student can come to school in their PJs and other comfy items
Jan 6-10	First day back from Winter break		Richmond virtual school: Gr 7 RAIL presentation. Click here for more info		

First day back to school is January 6th

We would like to wish everyone a restful and healthy winter break. The first day back to school after the break is Monday, January 6, 2025

Winter Concerts on Thursday December 19th



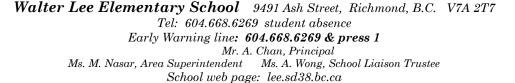
Our Winter Concert will take place on December 19th.

<u>Please see the notice here for information shared regarding this year's winter concert</u>

Please be reminded:

- 1) The evening performance has limit of 3 guests; there are NO limits of guests for the afternoon performance.
- 2) Students can come into the school at 5:55pm to prepare for their evening performance.
- 3) The school parking lot will be closed to all cars.

10 days of Giving







From December 9^{th} - 19^{th} , we will be collecting warm jackets for our community and monitary donations for the Richmond Food Bank. The school will provide a link on Dec 9^{th} to collected cash donations. According to the Richmond Food Bank

"Monetary donations allow us to provide food and items that are needed the most, such as protein-rich foods, fresh dairy products, baby items (diapers, baby formula and food), and other needed staples. For each dollar donated, we can give out about \$6 worth of food (based on 2019 data)."

Assessment reports - Thursday December 18th



Student assessment reports will be available for download at 3pm on Thursday December 19^{th} . To access the reports, please login to the MyEd parent portal. More information can be found here:

https://lee.sd38.bc.ca/news/2024/12/myed-parent-portal-activation-login-information

Registration for Kindergarten for the 2025/26 school year



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. For more information please <u>visit the school district website Kindergarten Registration</u>

School District long-range facility planning process





Date: January 14, 2025

Time: 6-8 p.m. Where: Zoom

Register: QR code below





ONLINE PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

LONG-RANGE FACILITIES PLAN

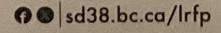
The Richmond School District invites community members to participate in an Online Public Open House.

This virtual event offers a convenient opportunity to learn about the 2025 Long-Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) and provide input that will help shape the district's long-term facilities strategy.

If you are unable to attend, you can still contribute. Email your questions or feedback to the Richmond Project Team at planning@sd38.bc.ca.

Scan QR code to register:







PAC updates

Upcoming hot lunch and treat dates:

Wednesday, December 18th AT RECESS - Hot chocolate and treats Thursday, December 19th - Westcoast Poke (order by **TODAY** - Friday, Dec. 13th, 11:59PM)

January, February and March hot lunches and treats include Freshslice, Fukuroku, Subway, Booster Juice, Fusion Feast and The Country's Best Yogurt - TCBY (frozen yogurt).

Our hot lunches for January 2025 and beyond will be live during the Winter Break - stay tuned!

Don't know how to order? Follow these simple steps:

- 1) Go to: https://munchalunch.com/schools/walterlee/
- 2) Click the "Login Here" button to access your account
- 3) Click "Order Lunch" to place order & Pay

As always, PAC could not operate without the help of all of you! Please consider volunteering for any of bi-weekly hot lunch days or fruit/milk distribution. Email us at <u>LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com</u> if you can assist! Thank you!

January PAC Meeting:

Our next meeting date will be in January 2025! We will confirm a date once school re-opens! All parents are welcome to join!

Upcoming agenda items include - new fundraising items for the year and a creation of a Grade 7 parent committee (to plan the leaving ceremony).

If you would like to request an addition to our agenda, please email us - LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com

Important fundraisers:

Lee Family Movie Night - We thank all those of you who were able to join us for our recent Movie Night! We look forward to another one in Spring 2025!

<u>Spirit Wear</u> - Thank you to all who ordered Spirit Wear. We have reached out to the supplier requesting an update and hope that Spirit Wear will be arriving next week. Once it arrives, it will be distributed to students. Please email us at <u>LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com</u> if you would like to arrange pick up at the office.

<u>Mabel's and Oliver's Labels</u> - Help your child not lose their stuff while you support the Walter Lee PAC! Order labels for clothing, lunch containers, and so much more from Mabel's Labels or Oliver's Labels. A portion from every purchase goes back to our school. This fundraiser is ongoing and you can support it at any time in the year!

Visit <u>campaigns.mabelslabels.com</u> and search 'Walter Lee PAC' or

www.oliverslabels.com/WalterLeePAC

**We are currently planning for our 2025 fundraisers and are excited to announce we will be again having Prowl-a-Thon, treat sales, a movie night and are happy to introduce a Lee Family Photo Session! Details about these and other fundraisers will be announced in newsletters and through Facebook and our WhatsApp group. If you have any great fundraising ideas, please to attend our monthly PAC Meetings or drop us an email at LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com **

Stay Connected!

Follow Us on Facebook – https://www.facebook.com/groups/1396269781230206
Receive PAC updates via WhatsApp by emailing your interest to LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com
Check our PAC site for current information https://lee.sd38.bc.ca/parents/parent-advisory-council-pac

DATES TO REMEMBER

SIGNIFICANT DATES IN OUR COMMUNITY

December 2024									
S	M	T	W	T	F	S			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28			
29	30	31							

- 2 Secondary Mini Conference
- 2 International Day for Abolition of Slavery
- 3 Int'l Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 6 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- 8 Bodhi Day 🕸
- 9 International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime
- 10 Human Rights Day
- 13 Salgirah
- 19 Elementary Reports Published: Term 1
- 21 Winter Solstice (Northern Hemisphere)
- 24 Christmas Eve †
- 24 Quviasukvik Begins
- 25 Christmas †
- 25 Hannukah (ends Jan 2) 🍟

December 3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities A day to increase public awareness, understanding and inclusion of people with disabilities and celebrate their achievements and contributions.

December 6: National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

A day to remember the murder of 14 young women at Polytechnique Montréal (December 6, 1989) and take action to eliminate acts of violence against women.

December 8: Bodhi Day

A Buddhist holiday that commemorates the day that Gautama Buddha (Shakyamuni) is said to have experienced enlightenment, also known as bodhi in Sanskrit and Pali.

December 21 Winter Solstice (Northern Hemisphere) The shortest period of daylight and the longest night of the year. This date is celebrated by, and has significance to, multiple cultures and religions.

December 24 - January 7: Indigenous Quviasukvik

Inuit winter feast and festival observed by the Inuit, Yupik, Aleut, Chukchi, Iñupiat, and NunatuKavut. Celebrates the coming year and placates the roaming spirits for good luck in the year to come.

December 25: Christmas Day

A Christian festival celebrating the birth of Jesus. Since the early 20th century, Christmas has also been observed as a cultural and secular holiday by Christians and non-Christians.

December 25-January: Hannukah

Hannukah, or the Festival of Rededication, celebrates the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem after its defilement by the Syrian Greeks in 164 BCE. The eight-day festival has become a beloved and joyous holiday. It is also known as the Festival of Lights and usually takes place in December, at the time of year when the days are shortest in the northern hemisphere.

School District / Walter Lee Code of Conduct

This Code of conduct is used at Walter Lee and around the district to help remind all of us of the expectations in all school district buildings as well as when participating in all school district events.

