

Blair's Week-At-A-Glance (WAAG) for Families:

March 2-6, 2026

Dear Blair Families,

Thank you for participating in our Learning Update #3/Parent-Teacher Conferences! The partnership between home and school to support your child's learning is imperative for your child's success! We are looking ahead to March, with two weeks until Spring Break. Please support the Grade 7 Farewell Fundraiser of Frozen Yogurt

-Mr. Livingston

Highlights For This Week Include:

Sat Feb 28

Last Day to order "Universal Hot Lunch" for Thursday March 5: MunchALunch

Monday March 2	- PAC Hot Lunch - Last Day to order Frozen Yogurt from MunchALunch for Grade 7 Fundraiser!
Tuesday March 3	3:00 Boys' Basketball Away Game vs Thompson 3:00 Girls' Basketball Home Game vs Westwind
Wednesday March 4	PAC Hot Lunch
Thursday March 5	- Universal Hot Lunch Program 3:00 Girls' Basketball Home Game vs Thompson
Friday March 6	8:45 Blair Morning Walk - PAC Hot Lunch 2:40 Grade 7 Frozen Yogurt Fundraiser distribution

Upcoming Important Dates and Special Events:

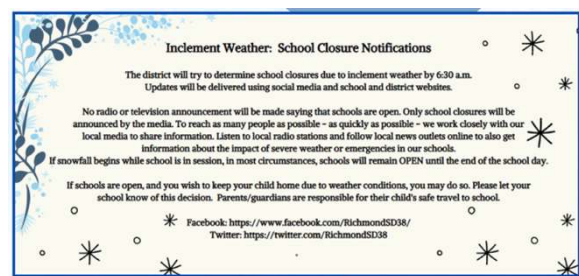
Fri Mar 13

Blair's Got Talent Show: 10:30am in the gym

Last day of school before Spring Break

Mon Mar 30

School opens after Spring Break



Significant Dates in our Community



Zero Discrimination Day: Mar. 1

Purim: Mar. 2-3

Lantern Festival: Mar. 3

Magha Puja Day: Mar. 3

Holi: Mar. 4

Hola Mohalla: Mar. 4-6



Zero Discrimination Day is observed annually on March 1st to promote the right of every person to live a full and productive life with dignity, regardless of age, gender, race, health status, or sexual orientation.



Purim is the most joyous festival on the Jewish calendar, celebrating the survival of the Jewish people in ancient Persia after a plot to annihilate them was foiled. Often described as a "carnival of happiness," it is marked by a unique atmosphere of revelry, costumes, and collective celebration.



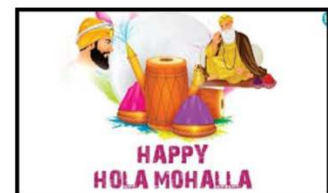
The Lantern Festival, concluding the Lunar New Year celebrations, takes place on March 3, 2026, marking the first full moon of the year and the start of spring. This festive occasion features vibrant traditions, including elaborate lantern displays, riddle-solving, and energetic Lion and Dragon dances. Traditionally a time for family unity, it is celebrated with the consumption of Tangyuan, which are sweet rice balls symbolizing togetherness.



Magha Puja, also known as Sangha Day, commemorates a spontaneous gathering of 1,250 enlightened monks who met the Buddha without prior arrangement on the full moon of the third lunar month. This "Fourfold Assembly" marked a miraculous gathering where all disciples present had been personally ordained by the Buddha. During this event, the Buddha delivered the Ovada Patimokkha, a sermon summarizing the core Buddhist tenets of doing good, avoiding evil, and purifying the mind. Devotees celebrate the occasion through merit-making, meditation, and evening candlelit processions to honor the Three Jewels.



Holi, the vibrant "Festival of Colours," is an ancient Hindu celebration marking the arrival of spring, the triumph of good over evil, and the blossoming of love. It is one of India's most joyous and widely celebrated festivals, now observed globally by millions of people.



Hola Mohalla is a major three-day Sikh festival, often starting the day after Holi in March, that showcases bravery, martial arts, and community spirit. Initiated in 1701 by Guru Gobind Singh Ji, it features Nihang Sikhs performing traditional Gatka, horsemanship, and weapon displays, particularly at Anandpur Sahib in Punjab. It is a celebration of valor and fraternity.

FUNDRAISER!

Purchase a refreshing sweet treat to support the grade 7 farewell ceremony!

ORDER BY: MONDAY, MARCH 2ND AT MIDNIGHT
DISTRIBUTION DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH

FLAVOURS AVAILABLE:

- Fruit Punch (*sorbet, dairy free*)
- Chocolate
- Cookie Dough (*gluten free*)
- Red Velvet Cake (*gluten free*)
- Blue Moon Marshmallow (*gluten free*)

SIZES:

- 3 oz. for \$4.00
- 6 oz. for \$5.50

Thank you for your support! 😊





THOMPSON EARLY LEARNING
Rompers Preschool
FREE Try-It Class

SAT, MAR 7
10:00-11:30 AM

#500896

Families of children
with birth years 2022 - 2023

Registration preferred, but not required.



Explore this licensed preschool through hands-on early learning experiences including art, science, sensory, dramatic play and group time activities that build social emotional and early learning skills. Designed and led by qualified Early Childhood Educators. Adult participation required.



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Richmond Public Library is proud to present the 2026 RPLBC Student Maker Expo. There will be presentations on a wide range of topics, with student makers displaying information about and presenting on their areas of interest. The event itself takes place on March 7th.

REGISTRATION DATES:

Spring break: January 20th, 2026
Summer: April 7th, 2026



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AGED 0-5?**

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StrongStart BC programs provide rich learning environments designed for early learning development – language, physical, cognitive, social, and emotional. Our early childhood educator leads learning activities where children find opportunities to make friends and interact with others of similar ages. Caregivers participate with their young child (aged birth to five) in play-based early learning activities – including stories, music, and art. At no cost to families, this early learning program helps prepare children for the transition to Kindergarten.

We offer support, information, resources, and a chance to meet other caregivers.

Book Your Spot

