

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

February 19 -February 23, 2024

We hope that you have a fantastic Family Day long weekend! Our staff will be engaging in Professional Development learning opportunities on Friday February 16, and there will be no school for students on Friday and Monday. We hope that families are able to use this extra time to connect and find some enjoyable activities to do as a family (see below for activity ideas from the City of Richmond!).

-Mr. Livingston

Notes from the Office:

If your child is going to be absent from school for an extended period of time, please let your child’s teacher know, and contact the office for an Extended Absence application form.

Highlights For Next Week Include:

<p>Monday February 19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Day Holiday – No School for Students
<p>Tuesday February 20</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls Basketball Game @ Ferris • Boys Basketball Game at Home vs Brighthouse
<p>Wednesday February 21</p>	
<p>Thursday February 22</p>	
<p>Friday February 23</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAC Lunch Day - Sushi • Boys Basketball Game at Spul’u’kwuks • Last Day to order Frozen Yogurt for March 1st (MunchALunch)

For individual class/club/team activities please check with the specific Blair staff member

Upcoming Important Dates:

Feb 28 11:50am Early Dismissal and Parent Teacher Conferences*

***please make sure you book a adult translator with your child's teacher, if helpful!**

Thursday March 14 Last Day of school before Spring Break

Tuesday April 2 School Re-opens after Spring Break/Easter Long Weekend



Families, please review the information below:

*****Blair PAC Pizza Lunch Mondays and Friday Lunch Dates are loaded on MunchALunch from now until Spring Break!!*****

orders for Pizza Monday must be in by the previous Friday

orders for Friday PAC Lunches must be in by the previous Monday





**SUPPORT THIS YEAR'S GRADE 7
CLASS BY PURCHASING SOME
HEALTHY FROZEN YOGURT!**

- chocolate
- vanilla
- cotton candy
- bubble gum
- cookies n'cream
(contains gluten)
- strawberry
- pink lemonade sorbet
(dairy free)

\$4.75 per 6 ounce cup

**FRIDAY MARCH 1ST
DELIVERY - END OF
DAY**

Ordering closes February 23 11:59pm

Thank you for your support!



FAMILY DAY WEEKEND
in Richmond

FEBRUARY 16-19 | 60+ ACTIVITIES
richmond.ca/FamilyDay



RICHMOND CHILDREN'S ARTS FESTIVAL

PRESENTED BY
LANSDOWNNE
CENTRE

FAMILY DAY

February 19
10am-4pm
Richmond Cultural Centre



ChildrensArtsFestival.ca



REAP – Richmond Education Assistant Program

We are happy to announce that this year we are running a REAP part time program which started January 6, 2024 and will run until February 2025.

Do you know anyone interested in a career in education?

Full Time REAP 2024

Do you enjoy supporting children and youth with disabilities and diverse abilities? Are you compassionate? Are you a life-long learner? Are you a team player? Are you passionate about inclusive learning communities?

Richmond Education Assistant Program (**REAP**) is rigorous, intense and rewarding. It is designed by the Richmond School District to prepare adults who have the passion to work with children and youth with diverse abilities and disabilities as an Education Assistant.

Full Time REAP 2024 will start in July 2024 and end in November 2024.

For more information please register by clicking on the registration link below.

Information Session #1 February 10, 2024 – 9:30-11 am

https://anc.ca.apm.activecommunities.com/rmdcontinuingeducation/activity/search/detail/14364?onlineSiteId=0&from_original_cui=true

Information Session #2 February 13, 2024 – 6:30-8pm

https://anc.ca.apm.activecommunities.com/rmdcontinuingeducation/activity/search/detail/14363?onlineSiteId=0&from_original_cui=true

Visit www.RichmondCE.ca or phone 604.668.6123 for more information

Early Learning for Families Events

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Early
Learning

Check out
the
schedule
below!

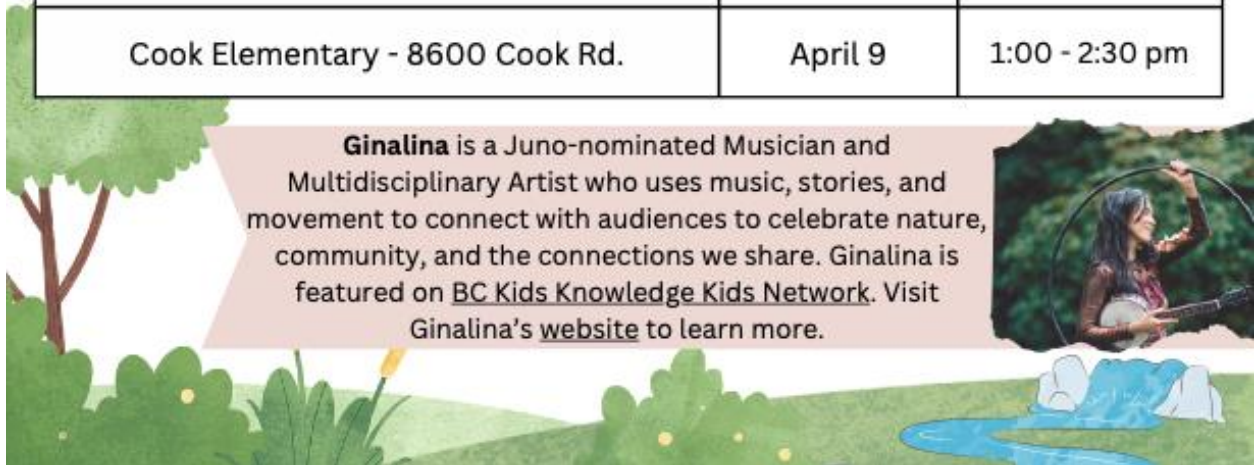
Do you have a 3 - 5 year old preschooler? The Richmond School District welcomes your family to the **Early Learning for Families (ELFF)** events. Join us for fun and engaging learning experiences while meeting new friends and building home to school connections. It's also a great opportunity to ask questions all about Early Learning.

Each ELFF event will include:

- hands on and collaborative activities
- music and movement experience by Ginalina
- opportunities to connect with families and Richmond Early Childhood Educators

Elementary School	Date	Time
Steves Elementary - 10111 Fourth Ave.	April 8	9:30 - 11:00 am
Thompson Elementary - 6211 Forsyth Cres.	April 8	1:00 - 2:30 pm
Tait Elementary - 10071 Finlayson Dr.	April 9	9:30 - 11:00 am
Cook Elementary - 8600 Cook Rd.	April 9	1:00 - 2:30 pm

Ginalina is a Juno-nominated Musician and Multidisciplinary Artist who uses music, stories, and movement to connect with audiences to celebrate nature, community, and the connections we share. Ginalina is featured on BC Kids Knowledge Kids Network. Visit [Ginalina's website](#) to learn more.



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SUMMER LEARNING 2024

Come join our fun and engaging summer learning programs where you can explore new interests, learn new skills, review or preview academic courses or complete a full credit course.

View flyer for Richmond Summer Learning 2024 on the Blair school website: www.blair.sd38.bc.ca

District Updates

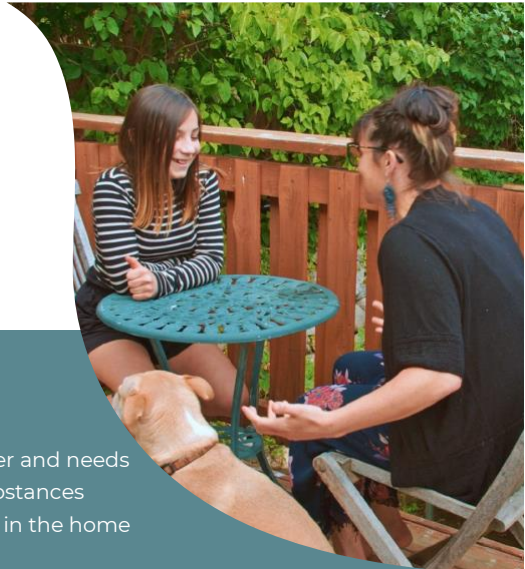
Social Media Awareness Family Sessions; February 28

Safer Schools Together, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Childcare, is offering “Social Media Awareness” family sessions. These sessions are designed to support families and caregivers navigate the digital world. Dates, times and information to register can be found in the link below.

[Please share this link](#) with your schools and families through appropriate channels.

SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION

An Online Presentation for Parents



KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Learn why children/teenagers are drawn to substances
- Understand what causes and maintains substance use disorder and needs
- Increase your child's ability to make positive choices about substances
- Acquire practical conversation tools for discussing substances in the home

Presentation Overview:

This presentation will focus on **tools and strategies** that you can use to speak to your children about substances in a way that encourages **positive decision-making** through a psychological lens. You will learn the causes of youth substance use and be introduced to a framework for **creating open communication** on this topic in your home.

There will be a focus on prevention and harm/risk mitigation in order to **empower** you to help your children think critically about their own behaviours, motivations, and choices.

In this session, you will be provided with the **specific language to use** when conversations arise about substances. There will also be opportunities to ask questions about the specific challenges you are facing with your children.

Online Session Information:

February 20th, 22nd or 28th

6pm-7:30 pm PST

Note. The same presentation will be delivered on each date

REGISTER



Presenter:

Dr Hayley Watson

Clinical Psychologist & Founder of Open Parachute

(PhD Clin Psych, MA Clin Psych, MA Transpersonal Psych, PG Dip Psych, BA Criminology)



Dr Hayley Watson is a Clinical Psychologist from BC, specializing in children and adolescents with a PhD in school bullying interventions, along with four further academic degrees in the field of mental health.

She has been working with young people and their families globally for the past 20 years.

We acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Education and Child Care.