

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

January 6-10, 2025

Dear Blair Families,

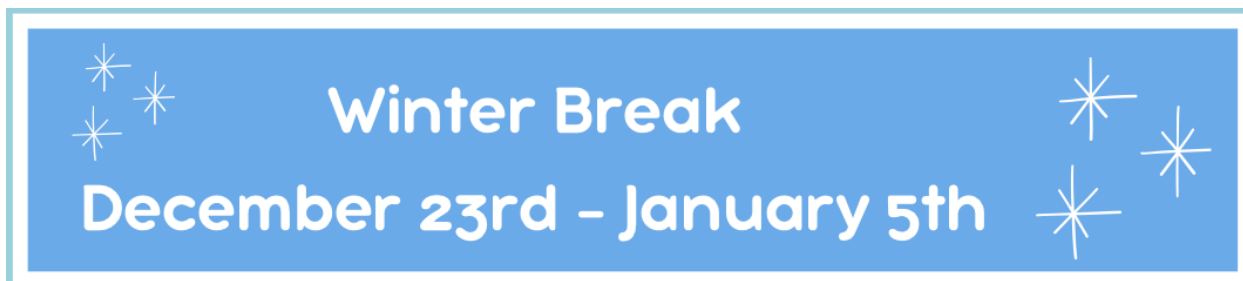
We have had a wonderful last week of Term 1 celebrating our successes and growth as a community of learners. Thank you, families, for supporting school events this week! Thank you to our PAC for sponsoring our Winter Wonderland Skating trip, and for hosting a lovely Staff Appreciation Breakfast! Our Term 1 Written Learning Updates/Report Cards were published on December 19 through the parent portal on MyEd; please view and download your child’s report.

We would like to wish everyone in our Blair Community a wonderful Winter Break, Happy Holidays, and a Happy New Year, and best wishes for a healthy and happy start to 2025!.

-Mr. Livingston

Highlights For Next Week Include:

<p>Monday Jan. 6</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Day Back after Winter Break • 12:00 Pizza Day (orders due by January 3)
<p>Tuesday Jan. 7</p>	
<p>Wednesday Jan. 8</p>	
<p>Thursday Jan. 9</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11:25 am Late French Immersion Presentation for Grade 5 students
<p>Friday Jan. 10</p>	



Significant Dates in our Community

January is Tamil Heritage Month



Ochetookeskaw - Metis Kissing Day and Hand Shaking Day: Jan. 1

World Braille Day: Jan. 4

Guru Gobindh Singh Birthday/Prakash: Jan. 5



Ochetookeskaw is the Métis name for New Year's Day, which is sometimes translated as "Kissing Day" or "Shaking Hands Day". The name comes from the custom of visiting homes, exchanging handshakes and kisses, and wishing each other well for the new year.



Guru Gobind Singh's birthday, also known as Prakash Purab, marks the birth anniversary of the tenth Sikh Guru, Guru Gobind Singh Ji. Born on 22 December 1666 (as per the Julian calendar) in Patna, Bihar, India, he was a spiritual leader, warrior, poet, and philosopher who played a pivotal role in shaping Sikhism. Guru Gobind Singh is renowned for founding the Khalsa Panth in 1699, which formalized the Sikh faith and emphasized principles of equality, discipline, and self-sacrifice.

His teachings and contributions, including the compilation of the Guru Granth Sahib as the eternal Guru of the Sikhs, continue to inspire millions. The occasion is celebrated with great devotion through prayers, kirtans (spiritual hymns), and community service in gurdwaras worldwide, reflecting his legacy of courage, faith, and righteousness.

PAC Hot Lunches

January Hot Lunch Orders are available on MunchALunch:

***Order Pizza for January 6 by Friday January 3!**

www.blair.sd38.bc.ca



Blair Elementary School

After School Hangout

GRADES
K-7

Connect with other kids with fun and interactive activities after school. For Blair Elementary students only. Please provide a healthy peanut free snack for your child.

Tuesdays & Thursdays

Jan 07 - Mar 13

2:45 pm - 5:00 pm

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3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

Online at www.richmond.ca/register

Over the phone, Monday to Friday,
8:30AM - 5:00PM, at 604-276-4300

In-person at Thompson or any other
community facility.

*Please contact Hana Hekal, Community
Development Coordinator, for any question at
hhekal@richmond.ca or 604-238-8426.*



Thank You

FOR YOUR SUPPORT



A big thank you to the Blair community for your generous donations to the Student Leadership Heart-Warming Holidays drive. We have collected a total of 168 items!



41 coats



2 rainsuits

23 sweaters/hoodies

33 hats



8 pairs of gloves

6 pairs of boots

39 pairs of pants

8 pairs of socks

3 scarves

4 shirts

1 blanket



Items have been donated to the Salvation Army and Richmond Family Place to support individuals and families in need this Winter season.

Richmond School District

Kindergarten

Registration

November – January



  | sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten

RICHMOND
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Dress for the weather!



winter coat



rain coat



rain or
waterproof
snow boots



mittens



hats



scarf



extra clothing
including socks



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:



  | sd38.bc.ca/lrfp

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Richmond School District

IPALS Sessions for 2025

For Families New to Canada with Preschoolers

SD38's IPALS (Parents as Literacy Supporters in Immigrant Communities) program provides strategies for families to support preschool aged children's learning in fun and interactive ways.

Sessions focus on learning through play and includes adult learning time with a facilitator with time for children to learn, play and have fun together. This program aims to support the development of language and literacy skills to prepare for school. Caregivers learn to support their children's learning and benefit from building social networks with each other.



Woodward StrongStart: 10300 Seacote Rd, Richmond (Room 104)



Every Tuesday from January 14, 2025 - March 11, 2025



9:00am - 11:30am

If you have any questions, please contact Megan Zeni at mzeni@sd38.bc.ca

Register Now!

<https://forms.office.com/r/bhg7D1BiCZ>

Intake Session

Woodward StrongStart

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

9:00am - 11:30am



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