

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

May 5-9, 2025

Dear Blair Families,

We can't quite believe that we are now fully into the month of May! We hope you are enjoying the Spring weather. I would like to offer congratulations once again to Mrs. Chan on accepting her new position at McMath! We will miss her at Blair, but we know that she will be great in her role! Have a wonderful weekend!

-Mr. Livingston

Monday May 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00pm PAC Pizza Day
Tuesday May 6	
Wednesday May 7	
Thursday May 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00pm Blair at the Gateway Theatre for Band Concert
Friday May 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00pm – 1:00pm PAC Food Day

Upcoming Important Dates and Special Events:

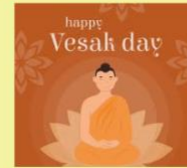
May 12-14	Grade 6/7s at Camp Jubilee
May 16	Pro-D Day No School for students
May 19	Victoria Day holiday No School in session
May 20	Track Meet for Grades 4-7
May 23	Welcome to Kindergarten 1pm
June 13	Sports Day at Blair (1:30pm early dismissal)
June 24	Grade 7 Farewell Ceremony (9:00am)
June 26	Year End Recognition Assembly
	Year End Summary of Learning Report Cards Published
	Last Day of School for Students

Significant Dates in our Community

May is Asian Heritage Month, Dutch Heritage Month and Speech and Hearing Heritage Month



Red Dress Day: May 5
Dutch Heritage Day: May 5
Bear Witness Day: May
Wesak/Buddha Day: May 12



Red Dress Day

May 5th, 2025

Red Dress Day, observed annually on May 5th, is a National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG2S) in Canada.



Red Dress Day, also known as the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and 2SLGBTQIA+ People, is observed annually on May 5th in Canada. It serves as a day to remember and honor the missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls, and 2SLGBTQIA+ individuals, and to raise awareness about the crisis of gender-based violence against Indigenous peoples.

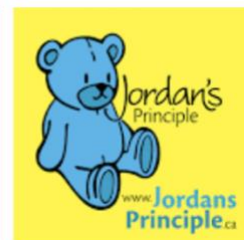


On May 5 we celebrate Dutch Heritage Day across Canada, an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the many contributions that Canadians of Dutch Heritage have made to our country's social, cultural, and economic fabric. May 5 is also Liberation Day in the Netherlands, marking the end of Nazi Germany's occupation during the Second World War.

In the occupied Netherlands, the Dutch people experienced hardship, oppression and starvation. In 1945, their ordeal came to an end as the Allies advanced across the country. Canadians played a significant role in the liberation of the Netherlands.



Vesak, also known as Buddha Day or Buddha Purnima, is a significant Buddhist holiday celebrated annually on the first full moon of May. It commemorates the birth, enlightenment, and death of Buddha. Buddhists gather in temples to pray, chant, meditate, and offer flowers, incense, candles, and food as tributes to Buddha.



Bear Witness Day
May 10



Bear Witness Day, observed annually on May 10th, is a day dedicated to remembering Jordan River Anderson and his legacy, which led to the creation of Jordan's Principle. It's a day to "bear witness" to the principle, ensuring that First Nations children receive the services and supports they need, when they need them. This involves honoring the memory of Jordan River Anderson, a young boy from Norway House Cree Nation who was denied the chance to live with his family due to bureaucratic failures, and to advocate for the full implementation of Jordan's Principle.

Family participation: Student Learning Surveys complete by May 9

We invite all parent/guardians to participate and complete the BC Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey (from the parent perspective) by Friday May 2, 2025. Thank you!

<https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>



Student Learning Survey - Parent Logon

Take the online survey

The survey is available online from January 6th to May 2nd. Please contact your school if you have difficulty using the online survey.

Parent Logon

- Please complete one survey for each child.
- Direct (logon-free) Access (please select one of the options below).

District [Blank] ▼

School Please Select District First ▼

Language English ▼

Logon

PAC Hot Lunches

May Hot Lunch Orders are available on MunchALunch! www.blair.sd38.bc.ca



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winter coat



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rain or
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mittens



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youth week

MAY 1-7, 2025

7 DAYS OF FUN ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH

richmond.ca/YouthWeek



PUBLIC WORKS **OPEN HOUSE**

Saturday, May 10, 11:00am-3:00pm
City Operations Yard, 5599 Lynas Lane
richmond.ca/PWOpenHouse

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friends and
family to
enjoy the
fun!





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APR
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