



THE WILDCAT WAAG

FAMILY WAAG

JANUARY 23 – JANUARY 27, 2023

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the **hənq̓m̓iḥəm** (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

Monday Jan. 23	Tuesday Jan. 24	Wednesday Jan. 25	Thursday Jan. 26	Friday Jan. 27
BADC	PLT – BADC	CT – BADC LTF 12 Assessment (written)	PLT – BADC LTF 12 Assessment (oral) 6pm Grad Winter Formal	Semester Turn-Around (School Closed)

PERSONAL LEARNING TIME

We encourage students to review the PLT schedule posted on the McMath website on Monday to plan their PLT on Tuesday and Thursday. PLT is designed to provide extra learning support for all students in all subject areas.

PARTICIPATION COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

The ParticipACTION Move for your Mood challenge is a national physical activity initiative that encourages Canadians to get active to boost their mental and physical well-being. It is open to everyone, and all minutes are tracked on the app from January 16-31, 2023. In collaboration with the City of Richmond, we are encouraging community members to participate in the challenge by logging into the ParticipACTION app and tracking their active minutes.

GRADUATION ASSESSMENT: January 25-26

The Évaluation de littératie de la 12^e année – Français langue seconde-immersion (LTF 12) is an important assessment for all Grade 12 French Immersion students. It is a mandatory requirement for students who wish to obtain a Dual Dogwood Diploma, which recognizes their proficiency in both French and English. The assessment consists of a listening comprehension component and a reading comprehension component. It is designed to evaluate a student's ability to understand and communicate in French.

The written test will be administered on January 25 and the oral component on January 26. It is recommended that students review their French language skills and familiarize themselves with the format and content of the assessment in order to perform to their best of their ability.

For more information and practice questions, visit:
<https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/provincial/evaluation-de-litteratie-francais-langue-seconde-immersion-12>

COURSE CORRECTION REQUESTS – Feb 6

Students, please review your schedule for Semester 2 in your MyEd Student Portal account. Students wishing to change a course need to fill out the following survey by Monday, February 6, 2023. Keep in mind that there is not much flexibility for switching classes at this point; however, counsellors will try to make the changes where possible and inform the student directly. Students wishing to improve their course mark by repeating a class in Semester 2, it is recommended to explore other options such as summer school or Richmond Virtual School. Even though a course correction request has been submitted, students are still expected to attend their classes until notified differently by their counsellor.

Course Correction Request form: shorturl.at/cGMY2

TIMETABLE STRUCTURE INFORMATION

McMath is looking at two possible timetable models for next year forward: linear or semester. To ensure that the community understands what the models look like, a PowerPoint presentation was shared at the January PAC meeting. To view it, please go to shorturl.at/bfh16. A parent survey will be circulated from February 8-15 for your preferences.

DROP OFFS AND PICK UPS

We are glad so many of our students are getting to school on walking or biking. This is a great way to save on fuel. If your car is dropped off or picked up, please do not use the neighboring town house or help our neighbours with traffic congestion. Thank you.

FSWC FOR HOLOCAUST STUDIES SPEAKER'S IDOL STUDENT COMPETITION

FSWC's upcoming annual public speaking competition, Speaker's Idol, is open to all students from grades 6-12 across Canada. This is an opportunity for students who are interested in becoming a voice for positive change, who have an interest in honing their writing and public speaking skills while connecting with like-minded youth from across Canada to celebrate diversity and inclusivity. Students are provided with a prompt in the form of a quote from Holocaust survivor and post-war Nazi hunter, Simon Wiesenthal, and encouraged to build connections to issues they are passionate about. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

FAMILY LITERACY WEEK: January 22 – 29

Family Literacy Week
 Make it count!
 Play • Sort • Measure

Resources to support Numeracy at Home!

- Where does math live in our Community this winter?
- Are you looking for ways to build numeracy during game activities with your children?
- Are your older kids working on reading infographics? Discuss these from *State of Mind*

Supporting Literacy at Home

Younger Children

- Read books and nursery rhymes aloud together in any language
- Talk daily about home and community life
- Sing, draw and tell stories
- Notice letters and words in the spaces

Older Children

- Play word games and point out new words
- Ask questions before, during or after reading
- Encourage and support different types of reading material
- Discuss events in the community and consider different opinions

Why read with children at home?

- Helps in language development
- Aids in brain development
- Strengthens family relationships
- Improves imagination and creativity
- Leads to academic success
- Aids in understanding a world outside our own!

Literacy and numeracy are fundamental to all learning. While they are commonly associated with language learning and mathematics, literacy and numeracy are applied in all areas of learning.

Literacy is the ability to understand, critically analyze, and create a variety of forms of communication, including oral, written, visual, digital, and multimedia, in order to accomplish one's goals.

Numeracy is the ability to understand and apply mathematical concepts, processes, and skills to solve problems in a variety of contexts.

The Public Library is an excellent place for literacy and numeracy adventures!

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Jan 21-29: Grad Mobile Pictures (book timeslot with Artona)
- Jan 22: Lunar New Year – Year of the RABBIT
- Jan 25-26: Grad Assessments
- Jan 26: Grad Winter Formal (6pm)
- Jan 27: Semester Turn Around (school closed)
- Jan 27: International Holocaust Remembrance Day
- Jan 29: National Day of Remembrance of Quebec City Mosque Attack
- Jan 30: Pro-D Day (school closed)
- Jan 31: Semester 2 Begins
- Feb 3: Semester 1 Final Report Card Published in MyEd
- Feb 8: Conference Day #2 & 2023-2024 Program Planning