



# THE WILDCAT WAAG

## FAMILY WAAG

### FEBRUARY 13 – FEBRUARY 17, 2023

Monday Feb. 13	Tuesday Feb. 14	Wednesday Feb. 15	Thursday Feb. 16	Friday Feb. 17
EFGH	PLT – EFGH  Happy Valentine's Day	EFGH  Fruit & Veggie Day! <i>Snap Peas</i>	PLT – EFGH  Gr. 7 Information Night (6pm) Meet The Teacher Night (6:30pm)	Pro-D Day 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.

#### **PARENT/CAREGIVER ONLINE SURVEY – LINEAR OR SEMESTER – February 6-13**

Our Secondary Structure surveys are nearly completed. Students and staff completed their survey on Thursday and Friday.

We have sent many emails to our parent community last week. The Parent/Caregiver Survey closes at 9am on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.

On the school website, there is a PowerPoint presentation about the two structures – Linear and Semester if you would like to inform yourself. Also on the website is a Chinese translation to guide you through the survey. Our goal is to have a minimum of 70% of our families to complete the survey.

Secondary Structure Survey: <https://tinyurl.com/yj4972kh>

#### **UNLEARN: CRITICAL THINKING BY DESIGN – February 16**

Unlearn founder Abhi Ahluwalia, is coming to Richmond next week for an evening webinar for parents/community members on February 16<sup>th</sup>. The focus of this session is to challenge participants to think critically about bias, stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination. Participants will be challenged towards equity consciousness and highlight the bias we all have and to better understand how we can use this awareness to create a safe, caring, and inclusive environment promoting dignity and respect for all. Go to: <https://tinyurl.com/2c39srd7> for more information.3

#### **INDIGENOUS COURSE REQUIREMENT**

The Indigenous-focused graduation requirement involves secondary students completing 4-credits of Indigenous-focused coursework to graduate. This new requirement provides an opportunity for students to develop a deeper understanding of the cultures, histories, contemporary contexts, and perspectives of Indigenous peoples of BC. The requirement will come into effect for the 2023-2024 school year. See attached flyer for more information.

#### **FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN CANADA**

During Black History Month, Canadians celebrate the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians and their communities who, throughout history, have done so much to make Canada a culturally diverse, compassionate, and prosperous country.



#### **DROP OFFS AND PICK UPS**

We are glad so many of our students are getting to school under their own power – mostly walking or biking. This is a great way to save on fuel. If your child needs to be dropped off or picked up, please do not use the neighboring town house complex area. This will really help our neighbours with traffic congestion. Thank you.

#### **MCMATH ALUMNI - JOB OPPORTUNITY: RICHMOND MUSEUM**

The Richmond Museum invites applications for a responsible, enthusiastic, and creative **Spring Break Camp Leader** to deliver the Junior Curators Spring Break Camp from March 13-17, 2023, for up to 12 children ages 6-8.

For more information, see the attached flyer.

#### **SUBSTANCE USE DECRIMINALIZATION INFORMATION**

The Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Child Care, has developed an information sheet on substance use decriminalization for parents, guardians, and caregivers. Please see attached flyer.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: CITY OF RICHMOND – March 4-12**

The World Wheelchair Curling Championship and World Wheelchair Mixed Doubles Curling Championship 2023 will be held at the Richmond Curling Centre (5540 Hollybridge Way) from March 4-12, 2023.

The City is looking for event support volunteers who are 16+ years old to help the event organizers and their leadership volunteers.

The City has approximately four shifts per day from March 4-12<sup>th</sup>. All volunteers will be provided event t-shirts. All volunteers will be invited to an on-site orientation before the event. For more information, go to: <https://tinyurl.com/479vau5a> or email Ryan at [curling@richmond.ca](mailto:curling@richmond.ca).

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Feb 13: Parent/Caregiver Linear or Semester Online Survey
- Feb 14: Crush Can Deliveries  
Valentine's Day
- Feb 16: Grade 7 Parent Information Night (6pm)  
Meet the Teacher Night (6:30pm)
- Feb 17: Pro-D Day (School Closed)
- Feb 20: Family Day (School Closed)
- Feb 21: PAC Meeting (7pm)
- Feb 22: Pink Shirt Day
- Mar 9: Semester 2 Interim Reports
- Mar 10: Last day before Spring Break