

# FAMILY WAAG February 12-16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Monday Feb. 12	Tuesday Feb. 13	Wednesday Feb. 14	Thursday Feb. 15	Friday Feb. 16
EFGH	PLT – EFGH	Conference Day #2 in	PLT -EFGH	
StuCo Spirit Week		HR & Course Planning		
Monochrome Monday	Band Tee Tuesday	We Wear Pink Day	Jersey Day	Pro D Day
		Valentine's Day		School Closed
Grad Mobile Photo		MMIWGG2S+ Day	Gr 7 Parent Info Night	
Studio (Feb 8-17)		Ash Wednesday	@ 6pm Small Gym	
DAG @ 6pm				

l acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the Hul'quim'num (hull-kuh-mee-num) treaty group, including the Coast Salish Nations of the Musqueum, Snuneymuxw (snoo-NAI-muk), Tsawwassen, Sto:lo, Kwantlen, Stz'uminus (sha-main-us), Semiahmoo, Cayuse, Umatilla and Walla Walla on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

#### (PLT) – TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 8:30 - 9:25AM

PLT is optional, but we encourage all students to make good use of this time. Students do not need to sign up for a PLT time/placement, but they **do need to look at the schedule to see which teachers are available and when, posted on our website.** <u>https://mcmath.sd38.bc.ca/news/2024/01/plt-february-2024</u>

## **CONFERENCE DAY #2 & COURSE PLANNING**

Students will have their second Conference Day on Feb 14<sup>th</sup> in their homeroom classes. They will cover an array of topics, most importantly Course Planning for the 2024-25 school year. We encourage students log in to the MyEd Portal account ahead of time to be familiar with the system.

## **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

The month of February is Black History Month and Social Justice 12 students would like to encourage McMath to celebrate. Every day during the Student Announcements they will be sharing the stories of important African Canadians and Americans. Look for posters of excellence in our hallways and check out the McMath Instagram stories each day, as well. @mcmathsecondaryschool

## YEARBOOK ORDERS! DEADLINE FEB 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

The last day to order is Thursday, **February 29, 2024.** If you are not sure if you have paid or ordered your yearbook, please check the lists posted outside the office or contact our business assistant, <u>emcgarry@sd38.bc.ca</u> <u>please assure</u> <u>all school fees are paid</u>. Students with outstanding fees won't be able to pick up their yearbook until payment has been received.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 8-17: Grad Mobile Photo Studio at McMath

- Feb 12: DAG Meeting @ 6pm
- Feb 14: Conference Day 2 & Course Planning in HR
- Feb 15: Gr 7 Parent Info Night @ 6pm
- Feb 16: Pro D-Day School Closed
- Feb 19: Family Day School Closed Feb 20: PAC Meeting @ 7pm

THE ARTONA GRAD MOBILE LAB

is at McMath from Feb 8<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>. There is a trailer set up between the main building and the Gym. If you have not booked your session **please do as** 

ASAP at https://artona.com/schools/MMAT spaces do fill up quickly. The photos taken during these sittings are used for our yearbook and for the photos displayed during the Valedictory Ceremony in June. It is vital that everyone books a session. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school office mcmath@sd38.bc.ca or Artona directly at 604-872-7272

#### **CHINESE NEW YEAR**

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> marked the beginning of the year of dragon. The Lunar New Year, also known as the "Spring Festival" in Chinese, is a very important festival in many countries in Asia, such as China, Japan, Vietnam, and Korea. People from all over the world now celebrate this special occasion. Traditional dishes, such as dumplings, dim sum, and rice cake are very popular. People also enjoy the New Year parade, lion dance and red pocket during the celebration.

We wish you "新年快乐", "万事如意", "恭喜发财", "龙 年大吉"! Happy Chinese New Year!

#### WOMEN'S MEMORIAL MARCH (MMIWG2S+)

The 33rd Annual Women's Memorial March to honour the MMIWG2S+ will take place on Wednesday February 14, 2024 in Vancouver to honour of the lives of *missing and murdered indigenous women and girls* (MMIWG) across Canada and the United States. This event is also a protest class disparity, racism, inequality, and violence. The event originated in 1992 in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside following the murder of a local Indigenous woman. Beginning as a small memorial for one woman, it has since grown to become an annual march to recognize all MMIWG. Each woman's name is read along with who she is a daughter to, or a mother of before the family and supporters pause to grieve.

#### **SUMMER LEARNING:**

Attention Richmond families! Did you know that Richmond Continuing Education Summer Learning Program is FREE for BC students who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents and students who have Refugee status? With an array of exciting and enriching courses and camps to choose from, your child is sure to have a memorable summer Keep your child's learning journey going strong this summer and sign up now for Summer Learning 2024.For more information go to our website at www.RichmondCE.ca https://ce.sd38.bc.ca/

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