



Hello Thompson families,
Please see below for reminders of upcoming events. Our **Family Date Night Fundraiser** is around the corner. Please purchase your tickets before we sell out! See the attached flyer for more information.

Track and Field

Our grade 3-7 students are excited to participate in a **District Track Meet on Thursday May 18th from 8:30- approximately 2:30 p.m.** Please let your child's teacher know if they will be absent that day. This has traditionally been a very successful and popular event for Thompson. **Permission slips will go home on Monday May 8th.**

In addition, the BC Elementary Track and Field Championships take place **May 26th -28th** and is open to students in gr. 3-7. Parents sign up, pay for, transport and supervise their children. The registration link will be available soon on www.kajacks.com

Band and Choir

We have two more musical events on our calendar in May.

On Thursday May 11th our Thompson Senior Band will be performing in "Music in Our Schools" at the Gateway Theatre from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Richmond School District has vibrant and thriving music opportunities including choir, guitar, drumming, musical theatre, concert band and jazz band programs. We know that in addition to learning the vast knowledge and skills it takes to be a musician, music education helps our learners become persistent, confident and expressive individuals. Participating in an ensemble allows for lasting friendships and a sense of belonging that is essential to overall the wellness impacting all aspects of our learners' lives.

We encourage all families to come out and support our musicians! What is a concert without an audience? There is nothing like roaring applause to encourage and acknowledge all the efforts of each and every person who participates! Tickets cost \$12.00 each and are available to order through the Gateway Theatre at www.gatewaytheatre.com. We hope to see you at *Music in Our Schools 2023!*

On Monday May 29th our Div. 21 bands and the Thompson choir will perform in the gym at 11:00 a.m. and 6 p.m. Friends and family are welcome to attend, and band and choir students are expected to attend both performances.

Important Dates:

May 10th: PAC Annual General Meeting 9:00 a.m.

May 11th: Music In Our Schools, at the Gateway Theatre, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

May 12th: Pre-ordered Hot Lunch

May 18th: Regional Track Meet (gr. 3-7)

May 19th: Pro D Day- no school for students

May 22nd: Victoria Day Holiday

May 26th: Welcome to Kindergarten 10:30-11:45 a.m.

May 26th : Pre -ordered Hot Lunch

May 27th: Family Date Night Playground Fundraiser

May 29th: Band and Choir Concert 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

May 31st: Parent Appreciation in the morning during drop -off

June 9th: Sports Day

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call the school at 604-668-6420 or email me at shoffinger@sd38.bc.ca

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sharon Hoffinger

Principal, James Thompson Elementary School

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