



Hello Thompson families,

Your child's term 2 written update (report card) is now available for viewing. Please take the time to read this important document and have a conversation with your child to celebrate their achievements and plan their goals for term 3.

Please read below for important information and upcoming events.

## **Walk to School Wednesday**

A big thank you to Mr. Rollins and Div. 3 for organizing our "Walk to School Wednesdays" in April.

Each Wednesday in April **79-85 percent** of our students walked or rode to school!!!

Way to go Tigers! Freezies were awarded today to Div. 3.5.7 and 8. Let's keep this going for our health as well as for the health of our planet.

## **"Track Attack"**

All students in grades 3-7 participated in "Track Attack" today to practice and prepare for our up-coming Track Meet on **Monday May 13th**. Please ensure students have proper footwear at school everyday so that they can participate in "Track Attack". Track Meet details will follow in early May.

## **"Thompson has Talent!"**

The Thompson Variety Passion Show will be on  
**Friday May 24th at 1:15pm**

- Auditions will take place this week and we were very impressed with our students' courage and talent!

- Students that have completed a successful audition will be put in a draw **as the number of performances will be limited. Students will be notified by May 3<sup>rd</sup> if their name has been drawn.**
- Families are welcome to attend the Variety Passion Show on Fri, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm.

## Cybersafe

Students in Divisions 1-4 had a very important presentation on internet safety and exploitation. To learn more, you can access this link: [exploitationeducation.org/free-resources](https://exploitationeducation.org/free-resources)

## Family Affordability Fund

### *Student and Family Affordability Fund*

*The provincial government recently announced a renewal of one-time funds for the Student and Family Affordability Fund. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs in the following areas:*

- *school and course fees*
- *school supplies and course materials*
- *field trips*
- *school-related extracurricular opportunities*
- *clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities*

*Please reach out to Mrs. Hoffinger if you are in need of assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school.*

*Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.*

## Richmond District Parents Association

***Please see the message below from Andrew Scallion, President of the RDPA:***

It's that time of year again for the Richmond District Parents Association Annual General Meeting and Election on May 7th, 2024, in person at the Richmond School Board office at 7:00.

Having said that, I'd like to take a moment to bring your attention to some issues we have moving forward. Some of our executives at the RDPA are nearing the end of our time as parents in the district. As such, we need to look forward and help cultivate a new leadership team that understands the important work we do at the district level as well as the relationship we have cultivated with both senior leadership at the school district and with the members of the board of education. So if you have any interest in joining our executive now is the time to do it. Please consider becoming a member at large and joining a committee or two. It will give you an opportunity to get to know the decision makers in our district and have your voice heard and listened to. Information on voting, Nomination and Association roles are attached.

## Parent Learning Survey

During the months of January to April, the Richmond School District is participating in the 2024 Ministry of Education Electronic Anonymous Student Learning Survey Project in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the Province.

Parents/Guardians/Caregivers can complete the online Anonymous Student Learning Surveys **any time before 11:59 pm May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**, providing immediate results to the school and the district.

For 2024: Students in Grades 4, 7, 10 and 12 complete the survey; Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of Grade 4, 7, 10 and 12 Students complete the survey; and all Staff associated with a School complete the survey.

### To complete the survey:

1. Go to any computer that has an up-to-date internet browser access at home, work, or school.
2. Go to [www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\\_survey/access.htm](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm)
3. Under the section *Direct Access – no logon number required* select:
  - District: the name of your child's district
  - School: the name of your child's school
  - Language: the language of your choice
4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question. Move to the next set of questions by clicking on the right arrow in the bottom right corner of the screen. Click on the left arrow to navigate backwards.
5. When you are finished the survey, you will get a message "Thank you for sharing your views".
6. Once complete, your school will have the results immediately.

## Important Dates:

**April 29th- May 1: Grade 6/7 at Camp Jubilee**

**May 3rd, 10th, 24th, 31st: Pre-Ordered Hot Lunch**

**May 14th: Immunizations**

**May 15th: Class Photos**

**May 13th: Track and Field event in May for gr. 3-7**

**May 17th: Pro D Day- no school for students**

**May 20th: Victoria Day Holiday- school is closed**

