

WEEK AT A GLANCE

LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JANUARY 19TH - 23RD

MONDAY, JANUARY 19TH	TUESDAY, JANUARY 20TH	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21ST	THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND	FRIDAY, JANUARY 23RD
		PAC Meeting @ 7pm via Zoom		FUN HAIR DAY

WITH JANUARY MOVING AT LIGHT SPEED; WE ARE ALREADY PREPARING FOR A VERY BUSY FEBRUARY!! MAKE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS WITH THE K-POP DANCE NIGHT @ BOYD, PRO-D DAY, FAMILY DAY, PINK SHIRT DAY AND OUR EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS AT THE END OF THE MONTH. PLEASE SEE THE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER FOR DATES AND DETAILS.

Reminder

IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY DONE SO; PLEASE ENSURE THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO RETURN FORM IS RETURNED TO THE OFFICE OR YOUR CLASSROOM TEACHER. THEY WERE SENT HOME WITH STUDENTS THIS PAST WEEK AND ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE PLANNING AND PREPARATION PROCESS FOR OUR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR, THANK YOU!



Stay Informed with SchoolMessenger Text Alerts (Opt-In)

Our District uses SchoolMessenger to share important school and district updates, including weather closures, emergency notifications, reminders, and time-sensitive announcements.

All families with a current cell phone number in our MyEdBC database will receive a text message from SchoolMessenger (Text #: 978338) in February 2026. To start receiving text alerts, you will need to opt in.

How to opt in:

Watch for a text from SchoolMessenger (Text #: 978338).

Reply with “Y” to 978338.

You will receive a confirmation message letting you know you are successfully subscribed!

Want alerts on more than one device?

To receive text alerts on multiple phones, each phone number must opt in separately by replying “Y” to 978338.

IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT!

Things to consider if your child feels unwell...

Without proper rest, a child may have a hard time fighting an illness or be at risk for other illnesses. Please keep your child home if they:

- **Have a fever.** Are too sick to take part in all normal school activities.
- **Have a suspected or known communicable disease** (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox, measles).
- **Is vomiting or have diarrhea.** It is recommended that students be symptom free at least 24 hours before returning to school.

Keep your child home until they are able to participate fully in normal school activities or as directed by a health care provider.

If the school finds it necessary to send your child home because of illness, please make sure you have arranged an emergency contact if you are not available.

Lord Byng Elementary
Early Warning Line
604.668.6587



VOLUNTEER INTERPRETERS NEEDED

The Richmond School District is seeking individuals who are fluent in English and other languages to join our Volunteer Interpreter Team.

Help strengthen communication between schools and families by providing language support during parent teacher conferences. Your involvement helps ensure every family feels welcomed and informed.

Training is provided.
All languages welcome.



To express your interest, please email your CV before January 16, 2026 to: culturalinterpreters@sd38.bc.ca

  | [sd38.bc.ca](https://www.sd38.bc.ca)

RICHMOND
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

Inclement Weather: School Closure Notifications

The district will try to determine school closures due to inclement weather by 6:30 a.m. Updates will be delivered using social media and school and district websites.

No radio or television announcement will be made saying that schools are open. Only school closures will be announced by the media. To reach as many people as possible – as quickly as possible – we work closely with our local media to share information. Listen to local radio stations and follow local news outlets online to also get information about the impact of severe weather or emergencies in our schools.

If snowfall begins while school is in session, in most circumstances, schools will remain OPEN until the end of the school day.

If schools are open, and you wish to keep your child home due to weather conditions, you may do so. Please let your school know of this decision. Parents/guardians are responsible for their child's safe travel to school.

* Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RichmondSD38/>
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/RichmondSD38>



PIZZA WEDNESDAYS & HOT LUNCH!!!

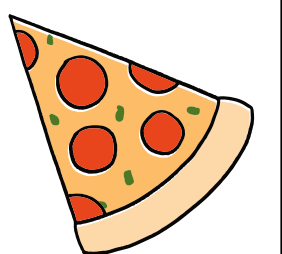
All New Families must register a new account with Munchalunch

Go to <https://munchalunch.com/schools/LordByng> Click the "Register Here" button. The system will guide you through the process of adding children. **After** adding your child(ren) click the "**Order Lunch**" button to order. Next time, just click the "Login here" button to access your account. It is recommended you sign up to receive a reminder email the day before hot lunch is delivered. Returning families will just need to update their students' grade and division upon first signing in.



HOT LUNCH DAYS

EVERY WEDNESDAY: PIZZA FACTORY



FEB 20: TACO LUIS (DUE FEB 12)

For Pizza Wednesdays: Order must be placed and paid in full the **Sunday before that Wednesday**.

For Hot Lunches: Orders must be placed and paid in full 9 days prior to the scheduled lunch date as per our vendor requirements. Unpaid orders will be canceled. **Make sure you follow the order all the way to the end to pay!**

Munchalunch automatically cancels an order that hasn't been paid within 1 hour. Munchalunch charges us a per transaction fee, so if you are able to order and pay for multiple lunches in one transaction you will be saving the PAC transaction fees. If your child is absent on the lunch date, you are welcome to come and pick up the order by noon in the gym foyer, but the **food cannot be kept for the following day**.

Consistent with previous years, there are NO REFUNDS.

For any questions or issues ordering, please email lordbyngelementarypac@gmail.com, do not approach admin or staff.



OUR SCHOOL IS EXCITED TO BE PARTICIPATING IN HEART & STROKE'S JUMP ROPE FOR HEART PROGRAM THIS JANUARY! STUDENTS WILL LEARN EASY HEALTHY HABITS AND RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT LIFESAVING HEART AND BRAIN RESEARCH. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD'S BACKPACK FOR A POSTCARD THAT INCLUDES MORE INFORMATION AND HELP US REACH OUR SCHOOL GOAL BY MAKING A DONATION. FAMILIES CAN DONATE ONLINE VIA THE QR CODE ON THE POSTCARD, THROUGH SCHOOLCASH ONLINE, OR BY BRINGING A CASH DONATION ON "JUMP DAY". WE WILL BE HAVING OUR SCHOOL WIDE "JUMP DAY" ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28TH, AND STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR RED THAT DAY IN SUPPORT OF HEART HEALTH. THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT.






Lord Byng Elementary - Richmond

is joining the fight to beat heart disease and stroke.

Our school is proud to be participating in Heart & Stroke's Jump Rope for Heart program!

Why it matters:

- Students get active and have fun at school on their Event Day.
- Students learn life-long healthy habits.
- Together, we raise funds to support lifesaving heart and brain research.

Jump in and make a difference!
To learn more about promotions, healthy habits and your impact visit jumpropeforheart.ca

Scan to support





INCENTIVE OUTDOOR PROGRAM OPEN HOUSE

RICHMOND
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38

Incentive Outdoor Ed



**JAN 22 @6pm
MacNeill's
OPEN HOUSE**

Come visit A. R. MacNeill Secondary and learn more about the school and SD 38's Incentive Outdoor Program. Please join the info session at the large gym at 6pm. After the session, please explore the different stations around the school. Come meet our Incentive leaders!

www.incentiveoutdoorprogram.wordpress.com



THIS OPPORTUNITY IS OPEN FOR ALL FAMILIES WITHIN THE RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT.

THE INCENTIVE OUTDOOR PROGRAM IS A DISTRICT PROGRAM THAT ATTRACTS CREATIVE AND MOTIVATED STUDENTS WITH A PASSION FOR THE OUTDOORS. THE FUNDAMENTAL GOAL OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO DEVELOP CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS, CREATIVITY, INNOVATIVE PROBLEM-SOLVING AND ADAPTABILITY, BOTH IN THE CLASSROOM AND IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY. INCENTIVE IS AN EXPERIENTIAL PROGRAM THAT DEVELOPS COMPETENT, CONFIDENT AND CARING PEOPLE WITH STRONG LEADERSHIP AND OUTDOOR EDUCATION SKILLS.



Check the Byng website for loads of important information!

CLICK HERE 

<https://byng.sd38.bc.ca/>



LOOKING AHEAD

JANUARY 21ST ~ PAC MEETING VIA ZOOM

JANUARY 23RD ~ FUN HAIR DAY

**JANUARY 26TH ~ PRO-D DAY ~ NO SCHOOL
FOR STUDENTS**

**JANUARY 28TH ~ "JUMP DAY" ~ HEART &
STROKE'S JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
PROGRAM**

**FEBRUARY 6TH ~ K-POP DANCE NIGHT @
HUGH BOYD @ 6PM**

**FEBRUARY 13TH ~ PRO-D DAY ~ NO SCHOOL
FOR STUDENTS**

FEBRUARY 16TH ~ FAMILY DAY ~ NO SCHOOL

