

WEEK AT A GLANCE

LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

October 30th - November 3rd

Monday,
October 30th

Tuesday,
October 31st

Wednesday,
November 1st

Thursday,
November 2nd

Friday,
November 3rd



Halloween

**Kindergarten
Hearing Screening**

It's hard to believe that we are nearly finished with October and getting ready to celebrate Halloween! Please read some important guidelines below so we can all enjoy a festive and friendly time at school next week!



Upcoming Events

October 31st ~ Halloween

November 3rd ~ Kindergarten Hearing Screening

November 8th ~ Kindergarten Info Evening on Zoom for Parents of Students with Disabilities and Diverse Abilities - 6:30pm

November 10th ~ Remembrance Day Assembly ~ 10:40am

November 10th - Hot Lunch - Takeya Sushi

November 11th ~ Remembrance Day

IMPORTANT!

As we get closer to Halloween, some students are making plans for their Halloween costume. Please guide your child's decision to ensure their Halloween costume is appropriate. Some guidelines are below to celebrate Halloween respectfully.

"Trick or Treat" Others with Respect. Halloween should and needs to be fun; however, we need to be aware that celebrating Halloween needs to be fun for all. Halloween offers an opportunity to have meaningful conversations about costume choices with colleagues and students and requires consideration. It is important to keep in mind that we need to be sensitive to groups that have been marginalized through mimicry and cultural appropriation during Halloween and other 'dress up' events.

It's good to keep in mind that the following are NOT Costumes:

RACE (black face/brown face)

CULTURE (Indigenous regalia/dreadlocks)

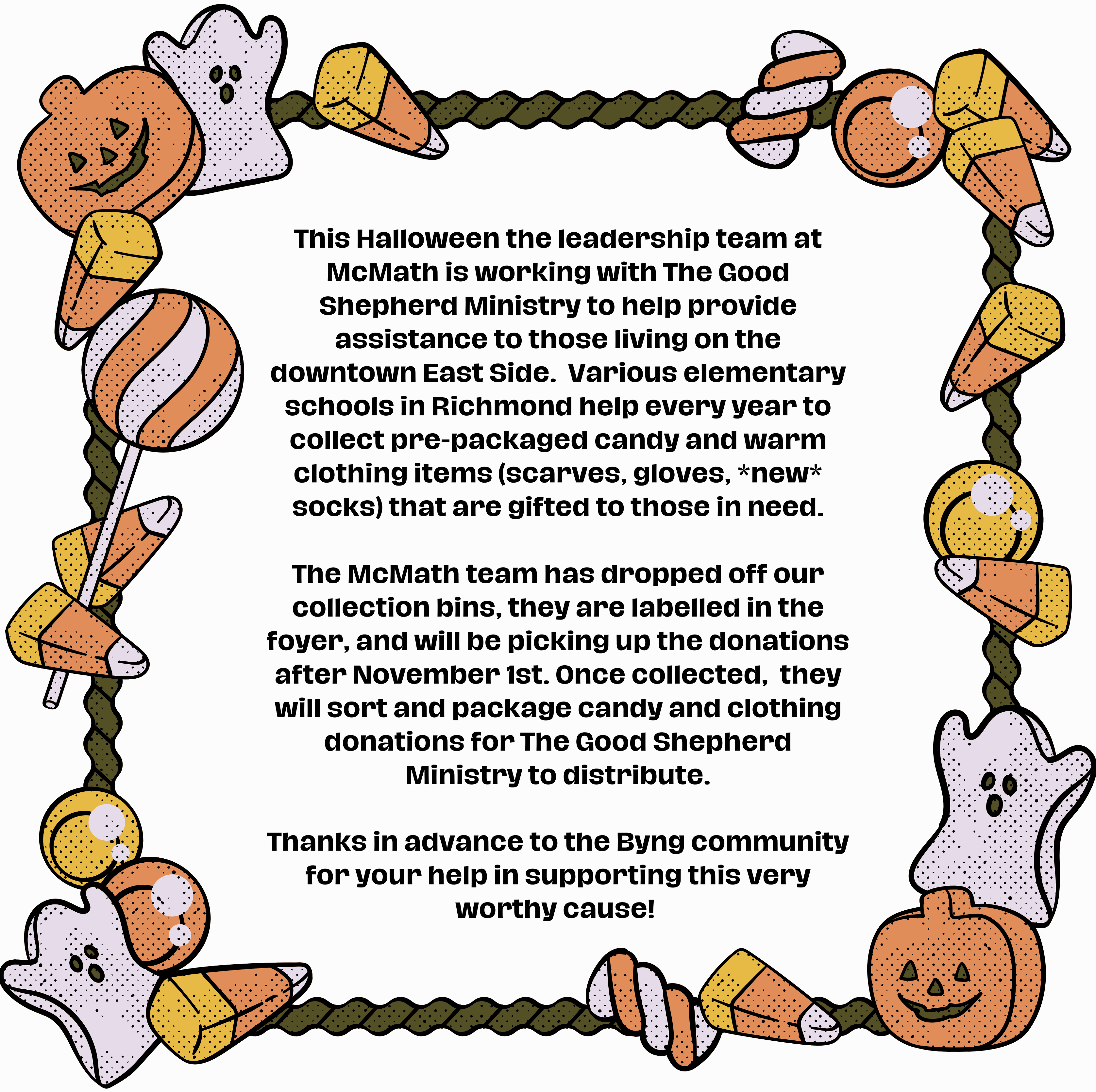
RELIGIOUS FAITH (religious figures/gods/saints/gurus/hijab)

GENDER (gender switching for humour or to mock)

TRAUMA (hangman's noose/weapons)

For safety purposes, we need to be able to see the student's face, partial mask is ok. Fake weapons cannot be part of their costume.

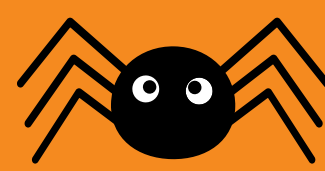
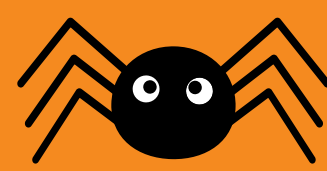
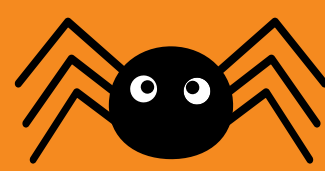
Thank you so much for your cooperation and guiding your child.



This Halloween the leadership team at McMath is working with The Good Shepherd Ministry to help provide assistance to those living on the downtown East Side. Various elementary schools in Richmond help every year to collect pre-packaged candy and warm clothing items (scarves, gloves, *new* socks) that are gifted to those in need.

The McMath team has dropped off our collection bins, they are labelled in the foyer, and will be picking up the donations after November 1st. Once collected, they will sort and package candy and clothing donations for The Good Shepherd Ministry to distribute.

Thanks in advance to the Byng community for your help in supporting this very worthy cause!



Byng's PAC was blown away by the support shown at last week's Halloween Party. We hope you had a spooktastic time!

Thank you to the parent helpers who really stepped it up with their organizational skills and willingness to make the event a fun evening. Thank you also to the McMath students and Byng Alums who volunteered their time. To the Byng Bakers; what delicious treats you made us! Thank you! And last but certainly not least, a very special thanks to DJ Smitty who really made the event one to remember.

Our sincerest gratitude to our generous donors: Seabreeze Adventures, Steve's Board Shop, Bare Basics, Firefly Notes, Fraserview Veterinary Hospital, Bev Friessen, Jaymie Ayres, Steveston Seafood House, The Sweet Shoppe, Go2Girl, Collective Beauty, Monkey Tree, Claire Scott, The Whittle Family, Beth Pope, Brianne Sameshima, Steveston People Podcast, and Erin Keillor. Prizes contributed went toward our Raffle, Silent Auction, and best costume prizes!



Happy Halloween everyone!

Lord Byng Elementary PAC



Recently, the provincial government announced a new Feeding Futures School Program Fund, designed to assist schools in the development and enhancement of school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students. If you would like to request support for your child at school, please reach out to Ms Schulz (lschulz@sd38.bc.ca). We are gathering information and looking to provide ongoing support wherever possible. Implementation plans are underway, and we want to ensure families are aware, and as always, able to reach out if they require support. All requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with families to ensure that your children have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.



Richmond School District 38 is excited to welcome Kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2019, turning 5 in 2024. These children will begin Kindergarten in September 2024. Online registration opens on November 1, 2023. Please visit our website www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten for more information about our online registration process, required documents, important dates, and FAQs.

We encourage families to complete their registration within the Priority 1 registration window, which spans from November to January, in order to maximize their chances of securing a spot at their catchment school. All registration applications received any time during the Priority 1 registration period will receive placement decisions by February 2, 2024.

Videos detailing Kindergarten registration have been made available on our District website, providing new parents with guidance on the registration process, English Language Learner (ELL) assessments, and District Program Options (Early French Immersion and Montessori). These videos are available in English and Mandarin. Please view the videos at www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten.

Finally, there will be a Kindergarten Information Evening for parents of students with disabilities and diverse abilities on Zoom held on November 8th from 6:30 – 7:30pm. A link to the Zoom is available on our District website www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten.

Thank you and please share this information with your friends and family who have Kindergarten aged children!

Dress for the weather!

As the seasons change it might be helpful to bring those for rainy & chilly days

Rain Boots!



Waterproof Jacket!



Change of Clothes!





LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY PAC

PIZZA WEDNESDAYS & HOT LUNCH!!!

How to order...

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.



The Hot Lunch days are as follows:

Nov 10: Takeya Sushi (due Nov 1)

Dec 4: Steveston Seafood House (due Nov 24)

Please note:

- 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, 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 lordbynghotlunch@gmail.com, do not approach admin or staff.

Remember to order Pizza online by Sunday, October 29th!!



BECOME HOMESTAY at the RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Be a host for an international student for a month, semester or year. Richmond International Education (RIE) Homestay Program is looking for local families to offer a welcoming home.

Contact us to find out more about this enriching opportunity.

study@sd38.bc.ca

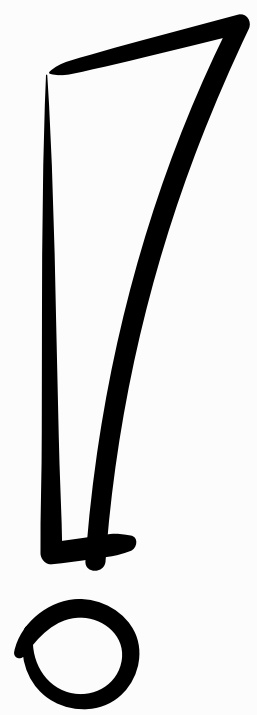
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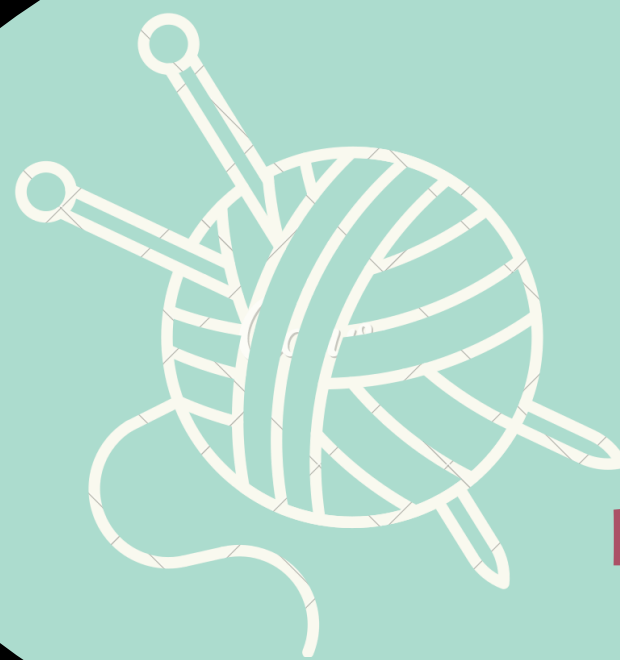
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VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER FROM THE OFFICE.....

If your student is absent or late for school Please inform the office directly by calling the early warning line as soon as possible at 604.668.6587.



Heelys, scooters, skateboards and rollerblades are not permitted to be worn or ridden inside the school.



**Knitting club has started!
Every Friday at lunch in the library!**

MORE DETAILS TO COME!

“BYNG DOES BOLLYWOOD”

WHEN: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST @ 6:30PM (DOORS OPEN AT 6:10PM)

WHERE: STEVESTON LONDON SECONDARY ~ 6600 WILLIAMS RD. RICHMOND

Looking ahead...

November 11th ~ Remembrance Day

November 12th ~ Diwali

November 12th - 18th - Multiculturalism Week

**November 13th ~ Remembrance Day
Stat Holiday ~ No School**

November 20th ~ Pro-D Day ~ No School

