

WEEK AT A GLANCE

LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JANUARY 13TH - 17TH

Monday, January 13th	Tuesday January 14th	Wednesday, January 15th	Thursday, January 16th	Friday, January 17th
Grade 5 LFI Webinar @ 6pm		PAC Meeting via Teams @ 7pm		Hot Lunch ~ Mr. Cooper's Pies

Welcome back Bears! We hope everyone had a restful, relaxing and fun Winter Break. We are back at it for Term 2 with a busy month ahead. Make sure to keep your calendars marked with all of the important dates.

Also be sure to check out the Hot Lunch offerings now available on MunchaLunch as they are all online for ordering until the end of the school year!





Black Excellence Day

January 15th

A day to rejoice Black history and learn about Black stories, Black art and Black people, and a day to stand in solidarity with Black Canadians.



**Happy New
Year!!!!**



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.



Please note:

The Hot Lunch days are as follows:

EVERY WEDNESDAY: Pizza Factory

****NOTE: Tues Jan 14 instead of Jan 15**

Jan 17: Mr. Cooper's Pies (due Jan 9)

Just added:

Feb 21: Old Spaghetti Factory (due Feb 13)

Mar 14: A&W (due Mar 6)

Apr 25: Fuel Catering (due Apr 17)

May 12: Taco Luis (May 4)

Jun 13: A&W (due June 5)

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



Parent Education Session

District Program Options

Late French Immersion

The Richmond School District provides the Late French Immersion program beginning at Grade 6 at James Whiteside and John Diefenbaker Elementary schools. We invite families of current Grade 5 students to join us for a program information virtual meeting.

This informative session will include the following topics:

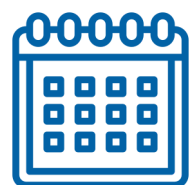
- Program Overview
- Student Experiences
- Registration Process
- Frequently Asked Questions



Virtual on Microsoft Teams

Meeting ID: 289 737 577 876

Passcode: FH3pm3Sg



Monday, January 13, 2025



6:00pm



**Hosts: Brett Cameron, Linda Chau,
Brooke Douglas, Regina Vosahlo**

Microsoft Teams Link



**THE MIDDLE YEARS DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT (MDI) IS COMING IN
JANUARY/MID-MARCH!**

The Richmond School District has partnered with the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) at the University of British Columbia to measure and promote children's social and emotional development, health, well-being, and assets through the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI). The Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) is a self-report questionnaire that asks children in middle childhood about their thoughts, feelings and experiences. The MDI is the first survey of its kind to gather information about the lives of children both in school, in the home and in the community, from their own perspective. The survey questions align with the BC Ministry of Education's K-12 curriculum, which includes a focus on promoting children's personal and social competencies.

Grade 5 and 8 students are invited to complete the MDI during class time between:
January 14th and March 14th, 2025.

For more information and to view the questionnaires:

<https://earlylearning.ubc.ca/monitoring-system/mdi/mdi-overview/>

Parent FAQs:

<https://earlylearning.ubc.ca/monitoring-system/mdi/parent-caregiver-info/>

If you don't want your child to participate, please contact your child's teacher, fill out the withdrawal form at the end of the parent/guardian informed passive consent letter, or contact the MDI project staff at mdi@help.ubc.ca.

Let's talk about spare clothes...



With the soggy season upon us; it is more important than ever that students have a spare change of clothes at school. Especially the little ones! Please make sure to include pants, socks, shoes and shirts!

THANK YOU!

Inclement Weather: School Closure Notifications

The district will try to determine school closures due to inclement weather by 6:30 a.m.

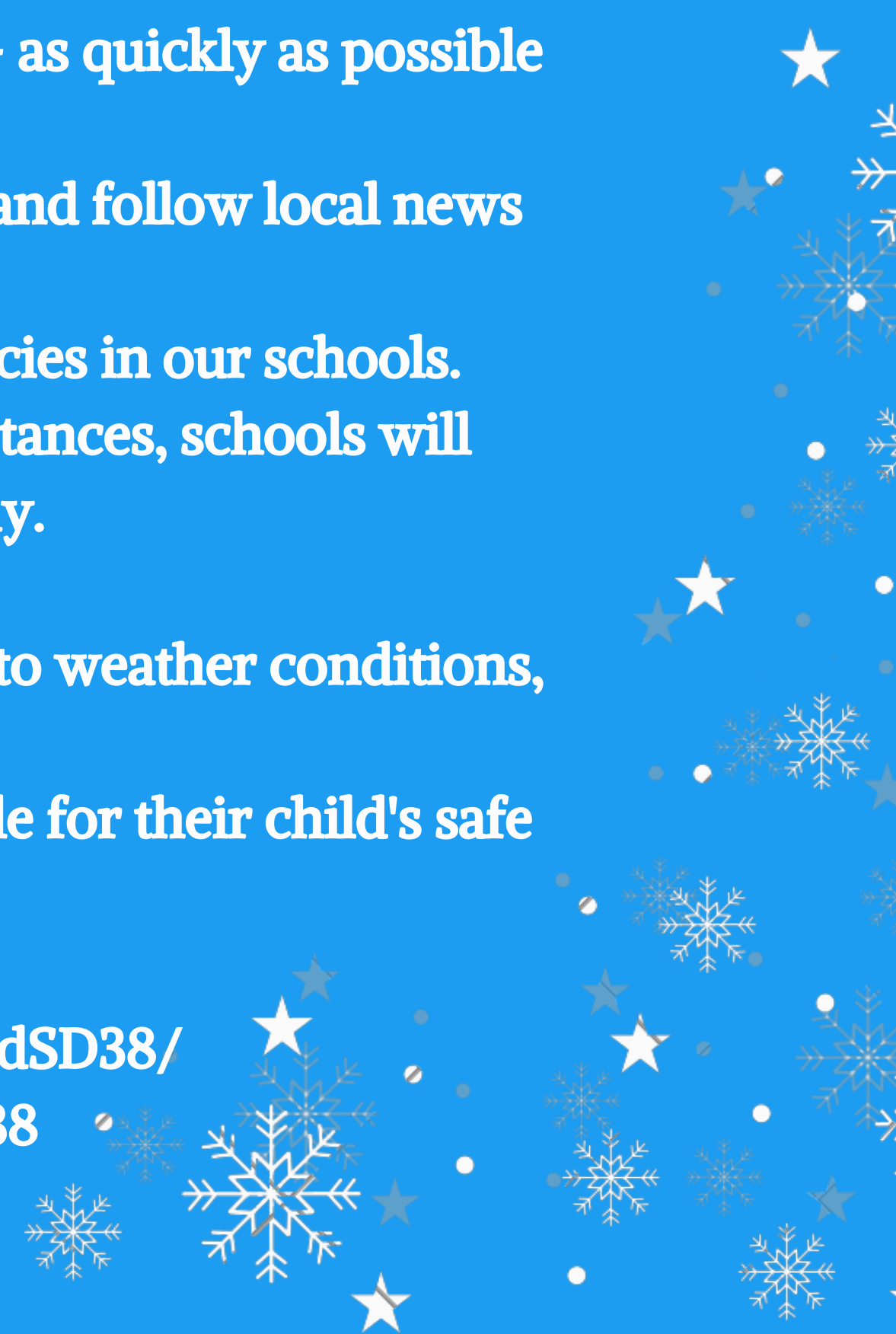
Updates will be delivered using social media and school and district websites.

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>



**2025 Important
Dates to
Remember**



JANUARY

17TH - HOT LUNCH
24TH ~ PRO-D DAY
31ST - HIP HOP NIGHT

FEBRUARY

7TH - PAC MOVIE NIGHT
14TH - PRO-D DAY
17TH - FAMILY DAY - NO SCHOOL
21ST - HOT LUNCH



MARCH

14TH - HOT LUNCH
17TH - 28TH - SPRING BREAK



APRIL

18TH - GOOD FRIDAY
21ST - EASTER MONDAY
25TH - HOT LUNCH
29TH - TERM 2 REPORT
CARDS



MAY

12TH - HOT LUNCH
16TH - PRO-D DAY
19TH - VICTORIA DAY
- NO SCHOOL



JUNE

13TH - SPORTS DAY
26TH - GRADE 7
FAREWELL
26TH - LAST DAY OF
SCHOOL

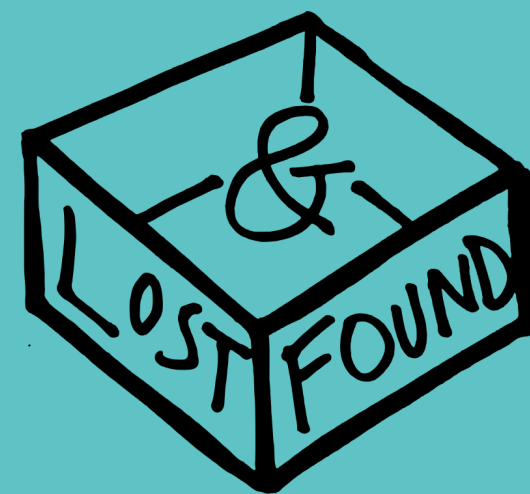




PLEASE CHECK OUR LOST AND FOUND!



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Looking ahead...

**January 15th ~ PAC Meeting
via Teams ~ 7pm**

**January 17th ~ Hot Lunch -
Mr. Cooper's Pies**

**January 24th ~ Pro-D Day -
No School**

**January 27th ~ Holocaust
Remembrance Day**

**January 29th ~ Lunar New
Year**

**January 31st ~ Byng HipHop
Night @ Hugh Boyd, 6pm**

