



MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER #5

January, 2022



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome Back and Happy New Year! We hope you all had an enjoyable extended Winter Break. Staff were

working hard last week to ensure our return to school is as safe as we can make it, and we look forward to welcoming students back into the building on Monday. The next few months promise to be very busy and full of events, and we look forward to some great learning this term.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES AT MITCHELL

As you may already be aware, Mrs. Dunnigan is retiring and will be leaving us at the end of January!

We wish her well during this next adventure in her life and she will be missed. Our very own Mme Lee has been appointed as our new Vice-Principal and we look forward to working with her in her new role!



PAC MEETINGS

Our next PAC meeting is Wednesday, January 26th on Zoom from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. All parents are invited to attend and a Zoom invite will be sent out

before the meeting. Newcomers are always welcome and our PAC can be reached at

mitchellpac@mail.com

SNOW DAYS

With the onset of colder weather, we would like to outline what you can expect from us on a snow day. Our school will remain open if at all possible. No

announcement will be made saying that schools will be open. **Only closures will be announced** via the SD38 Website, as well as radio on CKNW AM 980, News AM 1130, CBC AM 690, Fairchild AM 1470, CHQM FM 103.5. Closures will be announced as early as possible. Please do not phone the school to check if school is open, as staff will be busy ensuring students are safe.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2022-2023

Richmond School District 38 is excited to

welcome kindergarten registration applications for children born in 2017, turning 5 in 2022. These children will begin kindergarten in September 2022. Online registration opened on November 1, 2021. Please visit our website

at <http://www.sd38.bc.ca/kindergarten> for more information about our online registration process, required documents, important dates and FAQs.

Families are encouraged to register any time during the Priority 1 registration period (November – January) for the best chance at attending their catchment school. All registration applications completed any time during the Priority

1 registration period will receive placement decisions via emails from the school by February 4, 2022.

MASK WEARING AT SCHOOL

Just a friendly reminder that all students are required to

wear masks indoors at school. Please ensure your child has a mask, as well as an extra mask if possible in case their mask gets dirty throughout the day.



PARKING LOT SAFETY

Please help keep our students safe by using the drop off zone for picking up and dropping off students only. **Please do not leave your car unattended in the drop off zone.**



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| Jan. 26 | PAC Meeting |
| Jan. 28 | Pro-D Day – No School |
| Feb. 15 & 16 | Parent/Teacher Conferences
1:45 Dismissal |
| Feb. 18 | Pro-D Day – No School |
| Feb. 21 | Family Day – No School |
| Feb. 23 | PAC Meeting |



PRO-D DAY

Looking ahead, this is just a reminder that Friday, January 28th is our next Professional Development Day and students

will not attend school on this day.



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<h1>DAILY HEALTH CHECK</h1>	
KEY SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	WHAT TO DO
Fever (above 38°C) Chills Cough Difficulty breathing Loss of sense of smell or taste	If yes to 1 or more of these symptoms: Stay home. Contact a health care provider or call 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.
OTHER SYMPTOMS	WHAT TO DO
Sore throat Loss of appetite Headache Body aches Extreme fatigue or tiredness Nausea or vomiting Diarrhea	If yes to 1 symptom: Stay home until you feel better. If yes to 2 or more of these symptoms: Stay home for 24 hours. If symptoms don't get better or get worse, contact a health care provider or call 8-1-1 about your symptoms and next steps.
INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL:	WHAT TO DO
Have you returned from travel outside Canada in the last 14 days?	If yes: Fully vaccinated students, staff and other adults who have travelled outside of Canada may qualify for the fully vaccinated traveller exemption . Students, staff and other adults who are not fully vaccinated and have travelled outside of Canada CANNOT attend school for 14 days after arrival , as part of federal requirements .
CLOSE CONTACT	WHAT TO DO
Have you been notified by public health that you are a close contact of a person confirmed to have COVID-19?	If yes: Follow the instructions provided by Public Health.

You can also check your symptoms with the [K-12 Health Check](#) or the [BC Self-Assessment Tool](#).

Call 8-1-1 with any questions about symptoms of illness. If you have severe symptoms, like difficulty breathing (struggling to breathe or you can only speak single words) or chest pain, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.

Visit the [BC Centre for Disease Control website](#) for more information on COVID-19.