

#### November 2023

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## HOME OF THE BREAKERS

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The month of November has passed by quickly and we have accomplished many things this month. As I take a moment to reflect on the past month, there are many things we need to celebrate.

November has been busy months with various activities and initiatives aimed at supporting others in need. Semester 1 Term 1 Report Cards were published and emailed home. Students who are struggling will also receive "Learning Updates" on December 11<sup>th</sup>. "Learning Updates" help students identify what they need to do to meet the Learning Standards in each course.

Many thanks to parents of our Gr. 9 students who supported our annual "Take your Kids to Work Day on November 1<sup>st</sup>. On November 10<sup>th</sup>, our Remembrance Day ceremony was a great success. Our entire school joined together to honour, remember, and reflect on those who have and continue to stand up for our freedom. Our students did an outstanding job leading the ceremony, playing music, reciting poems, and delivering a powerful performance. Most of our students dressed in formal wear and I was so impressed with their high level of respect throughout the ceremony.

November also saw many athletic teams in action, with volleyball and soccer coming to the end of their seasons. Basketball planning is in full swing, with tryouts and games starting in early December for all teams.

As we look ahead to the month of December, we have lots to be excited about. Our school community always demonstrates its generous spirit with a variety of events planned to raise funds to help others in need. We thank you in advance for your contribution and your help to make a positive difference.

Sincerely, M. Jaswal Principal JN Burnett Secondary School

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 1	Pro-D Day (school closed to students)	
Dec 4	Staff Meeting @ 3:10pm (Library)	
Dec 7	PAC Meeting in Library (or online TEAMS)	
Dec 8	Teacher Appreciation Breakfast hosted by PAC	
Dec 11	Ed Fac Meeting @ Lunch	
Dec 12	Pro-D Meeting @ Lunch	
Dec 13	H & S Meeting @ Lunch	
Dec 14	Ensembles hosted by Burnett Sr Band w/St. Peters College	
Dec 15	Conference Day @ Burnett (8:30am – 2:20pm)	
Dec 18	Learning Progress Updatre sent home by teacher (if required)	
Dec 19	Winter Concert hosted by Burnett Jr Band	
Dec 20	SCC Meeting @ Lunch (D213)	
Dec 21	Locker Clean-up	1
Dec 21	Seniors' Breakfast @ 8am	8
Dec 22	Breaker Holiday Breakfast (Student Pancake Breakfast) 8-9am	
Dec 22	Staff Luncheon (1:30pm to 2:30pm)	
Dec 22	Last Day Before Winter Break (9:00am to 1:25pm)	
Jan 8	School Reopens after Winter Break	
Jan 11	PAC Meeting @ 7pm	
Jan 15	Staff Meeting (Library) @ 3:10pm	
Jan 23	Suggested Assessment /Evaluation cut-off for Semester 1	4
Jan 26	Last day of Semester 1	
Jan 29	Semester Turnaround Day	
Ian 30	First day of Semester 2	

## **Band News**

The Haunting Howling's concert took place on the 31st of October. Everyone's entitled to one good scare! Our developing, concert band, band club and Mrs. Khoo's Wowk honor band came together as a mass band of 103 students and played Crooked Toe, Farandole, and Haunted Clocks.





The senior band performed at the Remembrance Day Ceremony, delivering a poignant and stirring tribute that resonated with solemnity, honoring the sacrifices of those who served.

Burnett concert band entered in the 2023 Canadian Music Class Challenge and played the song "Canadian Christmas" by Suresh Singaratnam. We're thrilled to share that the performance is now live on the CBC Music Class YouTube channel! Here is the link: <u>https://youtu.be/nfCLewEEwnA</u>. Feel free to spread the joy—share the link with your family and friends. Don't forget to use the hashtag #cbcmusicclass.



## Annual Canned Food Drive Hosted by JNB Student Council

As we gear up for the holiday season, our Annual Canned Food Drive at our school has started! This year, we're focusing on supporting the Richmond Food Bank with proteins and carbohydrates. Donations of canned tuna, chicken, beans, as well as pasta, rice, soup, and other carbohydrate-rich items are much needed. Collection is at B block class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Let's join forces as a school community to make a positive impact and support those in need during this holiday season. Deadline for collection is Dec 8, 2023.



## **Host French Students**

Grade 10 French students are participating in an exchange with a French secondary school located in Orange (south of France). They are exchanging videos about their daily lives. In April 2024, the French class will visit J.N. Burnett for one week, from the 13th to the 21st. We are still looking for a few families to host a French student for that week. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Hue at <u>chue@sd38.bc.ca</u>.

## **Robotics News**

In the month of November, our robotics club has been progressing steadily. The build team consistently meets weekly to enhance their skills and expand their knowledge of robotics. Thus far, they have collaboratively cleaned and organized the robotics room, creating a more spacious and efficient work environment. Future plans for the build team include reassembling the robot's base and conducting safety training sessions this upcoming Friday in preparation for the 2024 season.

At the same time, our marketing team has been working hard to search for different companies and grant applications to support our upcoming competition season. They learned how to apply for grants and how to reach out to companies for sponsorship opportunities in a grant writing workshop that was held after school. The marketing team is also working on designing a new team jersey to represent our robotics team and will continue to apply for grants!

## **Celebrating Excellence**

We are thrilled to share the remarkable achievements of two outstanding students from J.N. Burnett Secondary School, Spring and Ocean Ma, also co-presidents of student council. They have not only clinched the titles of

Canadian junior squash champions in the U17 and U19 categories but are now setting their sights on the LA 2028 Olympics, where squash will make its debut on the Summer Games stage.

In a recent interview with Sportsnet, Spring and Ocean shared their unique journey into squash and provided insights into their roles and the balance between academics and athletics.

We congratulate Spring and Ocean on their extraordinary achievements and wish them the very best as they continue to excel on the squash court and pursue their dreams of Olympic glory. The J.N. Burnett Secondary School community is immensely proud of these two exceptional athletes and student leaders.



The full interview can be read here: <u>https://www.sportsnet.ca/olympics/article/twins-dominating-canadas-junior-</u> ranks-can-set-sights-on-olympic-competition/



### CLAIMING MY SPACE THROUGH ART AND CREATIVITY

An 8-week group for youth 15 - 21 at Foundry Richmond From January 25 to March 14, 2024 / 4:30 pm - 6 pm

This group is about bringing together youth to explore, through art- making and talking, themes such as:

self-affirmation, boundaries, empowerment, emotional and nervous system self-regulation, coping with the challenges of being a youth in the world, art-making as a tool for self-regulation Do I need to have experience with art? Not at all. The type of art that we make in the group is simple and participants always have the choice to engage more or less with the activities.

#### What should I expect?

Guided activities to stimulate creativity and discuss topics. A light atmosphere where relaxation and fun are welcome. A place where your uniqueness is valued and encouraged. A space to connect with others, co-create and learn. Snacks!

Please let your counsellor know if you are interested or contact Mari at 236 512 8962

## **Counselling Centre News:**

#### New Counsellor's Case load:

Mr. Liu	A-H	Monday, Thursday, Friday
Mr. Lim	A-H	Tuesday, Wednesday
Ms. Murad	I-Se	Monday-Friday
Ms. Chen	Sh-Z	Monday-Friday

**My School Day App**: Please <u>subscribe</u> to the Counsellor Channel in your Burnett MySchool Day App so you can stay updated with all events relevant to your school year, including post-secondary events, scholarships, and social events.

**Grade 12's scholarships and Common APPS:** If you require a reference letter or help with a post-secondary application, you are asked to give staff a minimum of two weeks' notice. The earlier you contact us, the more effective the outcome will be.

**Help for the hard times workshop:** A Workshop for Richmond and Vancouver families whose child or youth is or has been a patient in a psychiatric unit and/or had an ER visit because of their mental health. Please registered at <u>http://www.familysmart.ca/workshops</u>

**Burnett's hardship program:** If your family struggles financially to the point you can't pay school fees and need help with food for your family, please email your child's counsellor and they can present to you some of our programs dedicated to struggling families. Some of our programs are St. Albans Hamper Food Program and Student and family affordability fund. For more information, please email or call your child's counsellor.





J.N. Burnett Secondary School Career Centre News

# Things to Check Out

**Career Programs Offered at SD38 RICHMOND** 



## If you want to climb a mountain...



... it starts with your first step.



CHECK OUT THE WEBSITE https://careerprograms.sd38.bc.ca For an application: <u>Click here</u>

#### Dec 7/23 Learn About SD38 Dual Credit Programs for Grade 9-12 Students 3-4PM Dec 21/23 Learn About SD38 Dual Credit Programs for Grade 9-12 Students 3-4PM

Attend a Q&A Virtual Session and learn how:

- Get both high school credits and industry credentials
- Receive FREE Tuition
- Earn high school credits for paid work in a Trade Program entry requirement

• How to apply Zoom Meeting ID 616 3753 0153 Passcode: 860349

Talent alone is not enough to land a lucrative U.S. sports scholarship. Canadian high school sports players, regardless of their physical abilities, must keep their eyes on the prize and actively market themselves to U.S colleges – and should start in Grade 11 – if they're hoping to be courted by a coach from the States.

How to keep your eyes on the prize

SCHOOL OF CHILD & YOUTH CARE INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES?

CHILD & YOUTH CARE OPEN HOUSE

Join us at an upcoming:



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH 2023 4.00PM – 5.00PM Hybrid event: UVic campus and via Zoom DOOR PRIZES AVAILABLE!!

Room confirm and Zoom link be sent follow registration

bit University of Victoria

## It's time to get away **TO THE U of A!**

U of A Getaway is your chance to explore one of Canada's top 5 universities. Your adventure will include transportation reimbursement, accommodations, meals and a jam-packed schedule of events. Twenty grade 11 students will be selected for this one-of-a-kind weekend away.

 Who:
 Open to grade 11 students throughout Canada

 When:
 May 24 - 26, 2024

 Where:
 University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta



#### UNIVERSITY

APPLY BY JANUARY 31, 2024 AT uab.ca/getaway

## The Community and Career Education Department at Vancouver Community College

Adult Special Education programs and courses. Whether students are pursuing their academic, vocational, and developmental goals or seeking to upgrade their reading, writing, numeracy, and computer skills, we are committed to providing relevant and diverse educational opportunities in an inclusive and supportive environment.

Experiential learning, where academic content is applied to real-world experiences, is a key focus in all our programs and courses. In our full-time certificate programs, students complete 12 weeks of practicum where they gain practical experiences and develop skills for entry-level employment.

VCC Community Development programs: CACE VCC Program Booklet.pdf

#### Richmond RCMP Youth Academy August 19-24/24



The Richmond RCMP Youth Academy provides:

- an immersive five-day day camp in and is tentatively scheduled for August 19-24, 2024
- a unique opportunity for successful applicants currently in grades 10-12
- first-hand experience in policing through real-world scenarios modelling police training in a safe and controlled environment
- opportunities to learn about police duties, criminal justice, fitness, teamwork, organization, public speaking, self-reliance, and discipline

For more information go to:

https://careerprograms.sd38.bc.ca/ourprograms/richmond-rcmp-youth-academy

### DEC 14/23 Undergraduate Information Session, UBC Faculty of Forestry Zoom Online 4:00 PM PST

Are you passionate about the environment, sustainability, and the great outdoors? Do you dream of a career that combines your love for nature with cuttingedge science and innovation? If so, the UBC Faculty of Forestry's Undergraduate Info Session is an excellent opportunity to explore this exciting field. At UBC, we are not just educating students; we are shaping the future of forestry and environmental conservation.

Click here to reserve a spot for our info session. <u>https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_9Qtv</u> <u>h0NRheMcuOy</u>

#### Joining the Armed Forces of Canada

Whether you're thinking of going to college or getting your post-grad degree, the CAF can help you get there with one of our paid education programs. If you qualify, the CAF will pay 100% of your school fees, including your tuition, books and academic

**equipment!** Meanwhile, you'll earn a competitive annual salary and an excellent benefits package including health, dental, vision care and much more. Military Commitment after Graduation

After you graduate from one of our paid education programs, you will be guaranteed a job in your field with the CAF. Your salary will continue to increase through professional experience and promotions. Each program requires two months of service for every month of paid education.

## The Value of Paid Education in the Canadian Armed Forces

The amount you will **save** on the annual average cost of tuition for a post-secondary education

#### \$3200 - \$12,000/ year

The annual starting salary you will **earn** from the CAF while attending your paid education

#### \$30,200/year

For more info click here



## 2024 Student Safety Video Contest

Tell us what you can do to keep yourself focused at work, and how your employer can support you.

Submit your video and you could win a cash prize.

Bonus prize: Actsafe Aspiring Filmmaker Award Prize includes tickets to the 2025 Actsafe Entertainment Safety Conference, screening of the film at a future Directors Guild of Canada event, and more!

Deadline for submissions is Thursday, April 4, 2024. Visit worksafebc.com/studentvideocontest

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#### DEC 15/23 The Burger King Scholars Program Deadline

With a goal to grant one scholarship for every Burger King restaurant in North America - that translates to more than \$7 million awarded annually. Created in memory of Burger King Co-Founder James "Jim" W. McLamore, the Burger King Scholars program provides scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$50,000 to high school students and BK employees and their families. Scholarships are intended to offset the cost of attending college or post-secondary vocational/technical school. Recipients are selected through an application process that takes into consideration their grade point average (GPA), work experience, extracurricular activities, and community service.

#### Eligibility:

Be living in Canada, United States, Puerto Rico, or Guam Be graduating from grade 12

Have a cumulative high school grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale, or the equivalent

Plan to enroll full-time, without interruption, for the entire academic year at an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school or CEGEP or equivalent in Canada, the U.S., Puerto Rico, or Guam.

Apply here: https://burgerking.scholarsapply.org/



Are you a student who is compassionate, altruistic and who intends to improve the lives of others?

Are you a student who inspires and makes a positive impact through your abilities as "doers"?

Who have overcome a seemingly insurmountable obstacle, yet are dedicated to helping others?

Who demonstrates courage, fortitude and tenacity in the face of adversity?

If yes, please check out the Terry Fox Humanitarian Award and come down to the counselling office/career counsellor to get the application information. The deadline is DEC 1/23 11:59 PM. For more info go to: www.terryfoxawards.ca

#### DEC 31/23 January Marie Lapuz Youth Leadership Award Deadline

This annual award is given to exceptional youth 16 to 30 years of age who have shown commitment and leadership within the 2SLGBTQ+ community. The winner receives a cash prize of \$1000, First Runner Up receives \$600, Second Runner Up receives \$400. Honorable mentions receive \$200 and Emerging Leaders receive \$200. Sher Vancouver would like to recognize all those youth who work tirelessly for the 2SLGBTQ+ community. For full details about the award and to learn more about Sher Vancouver,

visit: <a href="https://januaryfilm.com/youthaward/#apply">https://januaryfilm.com/youthaward/#apply</a>

#### JAN 5/24 Mini Med School Scholarships Deadline



Intended to provide funding to support post- secondary studies for well-motivated students with records of exceptional academic achievement. Funded by BC Children's Hospital Foundation, 3

successful candidates will receive:

A scholarship of \$1,000 CDN to go towards tuition fees at any national or international post-secondary academic institution.

An in-person career placement at BC Children's Hospital Research Institute in July for one week (5 days)\*. Please note, to be eligible for the career placement you much be: (1) fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and (2) be at least 16 years of age as of July 1, 2024 to meet minimum safety standards for a healthcare facility. Eligibility Criteria: To be eligible to apply for the Mini Med School Scholarship you must:

Be a grade 12 student currently enrolled at a BC private or public school and graduating in 2024

Have been selected to attend Mini Med School in-

person, virtually live OR on-demand

Have participated in all 4 Mini Med School 2023 sessions For information and application go

to: <a href="https://rc.bcchr.ca/redcap/surveys/?s=E394YXLAKY">https://rc.bcchr.ca/redcap/surveys/?s=E394YXLAKY</a>

#### JAN 30/24 Schulich Leader Scholarships Deadline

Schools will nominate a student - check with your school for closing date for nominations. Are you a student who wants to pursue a degree in STEM? 50 STEM Scholarships awarded annually valued at \$100,000 and 50 Scholarships for engineering students valued at \$120,000. To be nominated speak to your counsellor. To learn more go to: <u>https://schulichleaders.com/</u>



### JAN 8/24 9:00AM PST SFU Beedie Luminaries Scholarship Deadline

Over 100 scholarships awarded, up to \$44,000 per student for Grade 12 students from across BC applying to all BC public post-secondary institutions including universities, colleges and trade schools. Open to students who face financial or other adversities, but have the academic readiness, grit, desire and potential to achieve their dreams and inspire

others. : <u>https://beedieluminaries.ca/grade-12-</u> program/

SEE LOTS MORE SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES AND GRANTS ON BURNETT'S CAREER CENTRE WEBSITE: <u>Click</u> <u>here</u>

# Jobs & Volunteer

Check out these website links for jobs and volunteer positions: Richmond jobs http://careers.richmondoval.ca/#job-openings https://www.yourlibrary.ca/about/jobs-at-rpl https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/youth https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/youth https://www.mcdonalds.com/ca/en-ca/careers.html McArthurGlen Designer Outlet Jobs https://www.canadapost-postescanada.ca/cpc/en/ourcompany/about-us.page Alliance for Arts Job Board YVR Jobs Special Events Volunteers at Steveston Heritage Sites: Click here

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To contact Ms. Carter, Career Information Advisor for an appointment please email mailto:shcarter@sd38.bc.ca



Our First Responder Team has set up a bottle drive to raise money for new supplies, guest speakers and so much more. Next time you return your cans at a Return-It depot, use the code (000) 000-1234 at the kiosk. A sticker will print out which can be placed on your bag of bottles. This is an amazing way to support our staff and students!



## **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



604-668-6217



RICHMOND ENNICHING GLOBAL MINDS

## **Active Recreation &** Sport Fund

Funding for Richmond children and youth (18 and younger) to participate in active recreation programs and sports where financial barriers impact inclusion

Application forms and more info: http://www.richmondsportscouncil. com/

Email us for help: recreationsportfund.rsc@gmail.com









Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to all the parents who attended the November PAC meeting and participated in the allocation of Gaming Funds. We had a very efficient meeting and allocated \$54,335.80 to student clubs, Dry Grad, our PAC Legacy Scholarships, PE Equipment, Musical class, and 11 more Laptop requests from Burnett's library this year.

PAC receives funding from the government at \$20/student every year, and we received \$18,000. Including the funds raised by the Gala last year, plus government funding, we can only afford \$28,824.80 of expenses; the remaining \$24,011.00 is unaccounted for. Therefore, the PAC Fundraising Committee has planned numerous fundraising activities before and after Christmas. We hope Burnett's parents can collaborate and work hard to secure more benefits for our children.

We absolutely love and welcome parents who would like to support their children and the school by making a donation to PAC. If you have any questions, please contact us at <a href="mailto:inbpac1968@gmail.com">inbpac1968@gmail.com</a>.

### DRY GRAD:

PAC sponsors the Dry Grad every year. The Dry Grad Committee are seeking sponsors, volunteers, donations for our DryGrad. The event provides a fun and safe party for the graduating students after their dinner/dance in June.

## A MESSAGE FROM DRY GRAD 2024 COMMITTEE CHAIR GRACE YING:

Calling All Parents of Graduating Seniors! We want YOU!

Hope you're all doing well and enjoying the ride as our kids cruise towards the finish line of high school. The big day is fast approaching, and you know what that means – it's time to start planning the epic Dry Grad 2024 celebration!

But we can't pull off this fantastic event without some awesome parents like YOU! We're looking for enthusiastic folks to join our Dry Grad 2024 committee. We need your help with food preparation, entertainment planning, site decoration, and, of course, keeping our finances in check.

In addition to your valuable skills and energy, we also welcome your support in another crucial aspect – fundraising. We're excited to announce the launch of our Grade 12 Parent Donation Drive! Your contributions will go a long way in making the Dry Grad 2024 celebration truly unforgettable for our graduating seniors.

So, how can you get involved and be part of the magic? Simple! Just reach out to our Dry Grad 2024 chair, Grace Ying. You can email her at graceying@hotmail.com (subject line: Dry Grad 2024) to express your interest, ask any questions you might have, or to contribute to our Grade 12 Parent Donation Drive. Grace is excited to welcome you to the team, and together, let's make Dry Grad 2024 an event to remember!

### **DECEMBER PAC UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Thursday, December 7, 2023 PAC Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- The Teachers/Staff Appreciation Breakfast will be hosted by PAC on Friday, December 8th from 7:30 am to 8:30 am.
- Richmond DPAC will host a Food Safety Course (Level 1) and subsidize one parent from each School to attend. This year Burnett's PAC opens the registration for Grade 12 students' parents to sign up. Please contact Connie Huang to get more information.

Please feel free to contact Connie Huang at <u>connie\_bobo@hotmail.com</u> if you have any questions or suggestions relating to the school or the PAC.

Connie Huang PAC Chair of Burnett



## J.N. Burnett Secondary Parent Advisory Council

Message from Burnett PAC

Re: Traffic/Pick-up and Drop-Off at Burnett

Please consider the following guidelines to improve safety and decrease congestion during heavy traffic times.

- Please Turn Right only during busy times at both the south and west exits onto Granville
- Avoid dropping children off at the side of the road or on the median on Granville and McCallan.
- Encourage students to walk or bike to school
- Drop your children several blocks away instead of coming into the parking lot
- · Leave a few minutes earlier to avoid the rush
- Please pick up your children in the parking lot and not in the drop-off lane
- Don't double park

If you have any questions and suggestions relating to the school or the PAC, please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:inbpac1968@gmail.com">inbpac1968@gmail.com</a>.

Connie Huang PAC Chair



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"The Richmond School District is the best place to learn and lead." SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 38 (RICHMOND)



Burnett 中學的停車場交通問題

家長委員會溫馨提醒全校父母、師生、工作人員:

♥為了孩子們安全上學和放學,我們希望所有父母、師生、工作人員能夠在繁忙時間內遵守學校的交通牌 規定學校的兩個出入口在指定時間內只能「轉右」離開學校,嚴₩「轉左」

♥我們希望我們的學生能夠在 Burnett 的學校指定的區域內安全上下車。 列治文市政府 ∰止所有車輛馬路邊讓孩子上下車。如果您違規停車市政府會給您開罰單。

♥我們希望孩子們可以自己騎自行車或者走路上下學

♥我們真心明白也非常理解必須轉左上班或者送弟弟、妹妹上學的父母,所以我們建議您可以在附近的 Thomson Community Center 社區中心停車場內安全接送,在 Lynas Ln 的路上 是有紅綠燈安全「轉左」

最後,謝謝所有的父母對家長委員會工作的支持!我們所有家長委員會的核心成員希望能在家長委員會的 會議上面見大家!謝謝!

如果您有任何的問題歡迎隨時寫信給我們,電郵地址是:jnbpac1968@gmail.com

謝謝!

Connie Huang Burnett 中學家長委員會主席





