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### REMINDER! PLEASE RETURN YOUR INTENT TO RETURN SURVEY



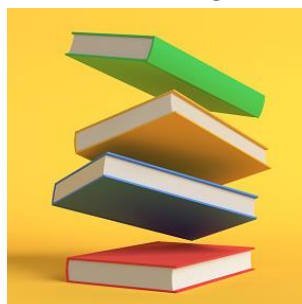
Last week you were emailed an Intent to Return form. Many thanks to those who have returned it already! For those who have not yet returned the form, we would appreciate if you can send it back to us as soon as possible, so we can start the planning process for next year. You may call the office if you have any questions.

### SHOE DRIVE

Earlier in the year we mentioned that we would be having a shoe drive in the new year. We are looking for donations of used shoes that are in good condition and can be passed on to those in need. We are accepting shoes to fit both adults and children and will begin collecting next week. Your children can take your family's donation to their classroom, and we can organize collection from there. Thank you for your contributions!



### FAMILY LITERACY WEEK



Each January, families, schools, libraries, and communities across BC celebrate Family Literacy Week. In 2022, Family Literacy Week will be celebrated **January 23rd to 30th**! This year's theme is "Let's Connect! Care \* Play \* Listen." Families are children's first and most important teachers. When families connect, they build strong relationships, create trust, and support children's social, emotional, and physical health.

Decoda provides themed resources every year to help you plan your events and activities. They also hold an annual Family Literacy Week photo contest open to all BC residents for a chance to win prizes:

<https://decoda.ca/get-involved/family-literacy-week/>

### CHAIN IN PARKING LOT



Beginning on Monday, the chain will be up at the entrance to the parking lot at lunch time, due to the number of parents coming to pick up their children for lunch. We need to keep the parking spaces for staff members who arrive for the afternoon and the drop-off area clear of vehicles. If you come to pick up your child at lunch, please park on the street and walk in to meet your child. When you return at the end of lunch, please do not enter the children's play areas if the kids are outside playing.

Instead, you can drop off your child outside the play area and let them walk in on their own. Thank you!

### LUNAR NEW YEAR

Tuesday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> is the beginning of the Lunar New Year! To recognize the importance of this event in our community, Spul'ukwuks PAC and school are preparing to help classes celebrate with games, prizes, and activities. Next week, we will include information about the new year in our morning announcements and have a "Guess How Many?" gold coins contest. On Friday, classes will participate in bingo games (Primary), a Kahoot! game (Intermediate) and will have the opportunity to participate in a craft activity and to win prizes! We wish you all the best for the New Year! Happy Year of the Tiger!



**SETTLEMENT WORKERS IN SCHOOLS (SWIS)**

Richmond SWIS workers provide a variety of services to families (adults and students) in our District. Please use this link to see their video announcement for January and the available offerings for adults and students:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b0ECDRI4FmU>

**RICHMOND CONTINUING EDUCATION**

The Winter-Spring 2022 catalogue is now out. Inside, you will find information about:

- Adult Secondary Graduation
- Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC)
- Mandarin Language Studies
- Online Courses
- Richmond Education Assistant Program (REAP)
- Youth-Children Program
- NEW!! Essentials for Learning - for teenagers
- Also, there is information about Richmond Virtual School and Richmond International Education.

<http://ce.sd38.bc.ca/news/2022/01/17/winter-spring-2022-programs>



**FOR YOUR CALENDAR:**

Jan. 27	Burnett Gr. 7 Parent Night 7pm
Jan. 31	Pro-D – No school for students
Feb. 10	Kindergarten Hearing Screening
Feb. 14-17	Scholastic Book Fair
Feb. 16	Conferences – EARLY DISMISSAL AT 1:45PM
Feb. 17	Conferences – EARLY DISMISSAL AT 1:45PM
Feb. 17	PAC Meeting 9:30am
Feb. 18	Pro-D – No school for students
Feb. 21	Family Day – School Closed
Feb. 23	Pink Shirt Day