

# SPUL'U'KWUKS NEWS

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the **hən̓ q̓ əmih̓ əm̓** (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

## City of Richmond: Richmond Remembers

Monday, November 11, 2024

**10:20 am:** Parade will start.

**10:40 am:** Official ceremony begins.

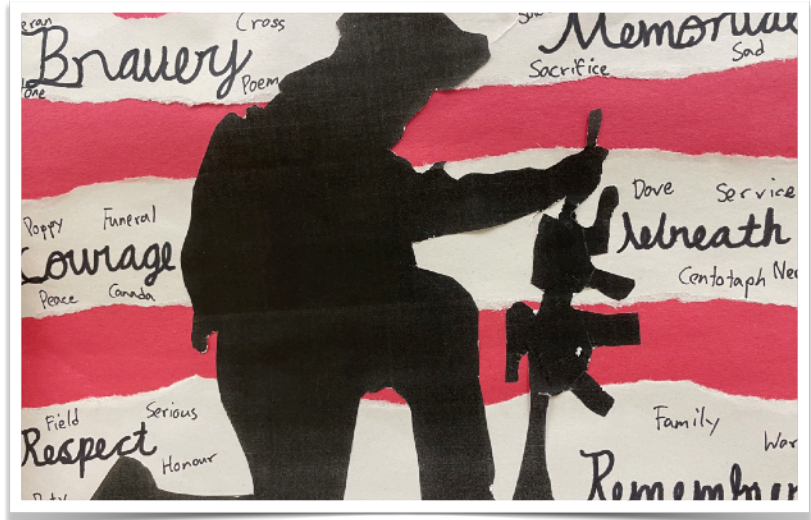
**11:00 am:** Two minutes of silence, followed by wreath laying.

**11:30 am:** Richmond Remembrance Day Reception.

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## Winter Concert!

We are pleased to announce that we will be having a winter concert on the morning of Thursday, Dec. 5th. Parents and guardians are welcome to attend! We will be having an Open House in our classrooms from 8:30 to 9:00am for students and families. We will invite adults to the gym while our classes get ready to perform. We hope you enjoy the show!



## Remembrance Day

All classes participated in our Remembrance Day Assembly today. We began with our flag bearers, had a land acknowledgement from Ms. Tilton and Div. 9, the presentation of our national anthem in sign language from our ASL Club, listened to a song from Mr. Milks and Div. 11 and 13, learned about the contributions of veterans (Did you know that today is Indigenous Veterans Day?), and had a candle lighting by our Gr. 7 students. Every division contributed to the assembly by creating artwork to help us remember the sacrifices made by others for our benefit. Thank you to our MCs, Thomas and Eden, our guest musician, Alison Gorman, and the rest of the students and staff for making this assembly so special.

The Poppy Fund is still open for your donations:  
<https://richmondsd38.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/86803/125/False/True>



### District Program Options

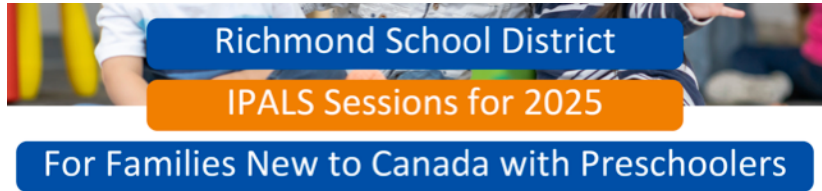
The Richmond School District provides two district program options for students entering Kindergarten. We invite families with children registering for the 2025-2026 school year to join district staff to learn more about Early French Immersion and Montessori programs.

This virtual session will take place on Tuesday, November 26th at 6pm on Microsoft Teams. When you have registered, you will receive a link to the meeting.

Please see the attachment.

### Supreme Court Art Contest

The Supreme Court of Canada is looking for children aged 5 - 17 to participate in a contest to mark its 150th anniversary. See the attached flyer for additional information and contest rules.



## IPALS

IPALS (Parents as Literacy Supporters in Immigrant Communities) aims to help immigrant and refugee families learn new strategies to support their preschool-aged children's learning in fun and interactive ways. IPALS is supported by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC). The Richmond School District will host the IPALS program at Woodward Elementary StrongStart on Tuesday mornings from January 14 to March 11, 2025. Eligible families can use the link on the attached poster to register for the program. Registration is now open.

## Parent Education Session Next Week

[Social Media Awareness, Digital Citizenship, and Cyberbullying](#)

Presented by Steven MacDonald

November 13, 2024 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

As a parent/guardian, you lead the charge as a digital role model. Help your child develop a strong digital citizenship foundation while reminding them that their digital tattoo reflects their real and online selves. Parents/guardians have an important role to play in providing support and guidance during critical periods. A snapshot of current trends and concerning apps will be provided to equip you in your digital parenting strategy.

[Click here to register](#)



## Dates for your Calendar

- Nov 11: School Closed for Remembrance Day
- Nov. 14 and 15: PAC Family Photo Night - [Book a time](#)
- Nov. 18: Immunizations Gr. 6/7
- Nov. 19: PAC Meeting at 9:30am (Virtual)
- Nov. 22: Spirit Day
- Nov. 25: Professional Day. No school for students
- Dec. 4: Report Cards available at the end of the day ONLINE
- Dec. 5: Winter Concert for families
- Dec. 6: Last day of school
- Jan. 6: Back to school

The Reconciliation, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Calendar for November can be found with the November 1st newsletter.

## Grade 6/7 Volleyball

It is clear that our students love volleyball, and they practice outside at recess and lunch all year long!

The volleyball season is coming to an end and we would like to thank the staff for the time and commitment they have given to our students! Thank you to Mr. West, Mrs. Shackles, Mr. Manhas, and Mr. Gomez for coaching, plus Mrs. Toy, who helped ref games. We also appreciate our student helpers, Ted and Alessio, and our parents drivers, who made going to other schools a possibility! Thank you all!

There are two exciting events coming up:

Richmond Secondary Colts Volleyball Tournament on Tuesday, November 26th from 3:15 to 7:00pm. Notices were sent home to Gr. 6/7 participants. Please return the forms asap so that teams can be formed.

Staff vs. Gr. 7 Students Volleyball Game on Monday, December 2nd.

