



Kid week at a Glance

Sept 8th - Sept. 12th, 2025

Mon. Sept. 8th

Tues. Sept. 9th

Wed. Sept. 10th

Thurs. Sept. 11th

Fri. Sept. 12th

**Welcome Back
Assembly at 9:15 am
in the gym**

School Forms Sent

Early Warning Line for Absences

Please report any absences, lates, early dismissals, etc. to our
Please call the school **new early warning line at (604) 668-6671 This is a 24/7 line**
Let us know your child's name, division and if you would like tell WHY they are away
and for how long. If your child(ren) will be arriving late, please make sure to sign in so
that we can adjust their attendance.

Upcoming Cultural Holidays & Commemorative Days of Recognition

Sept. 23 and 24 - Rosh Hashanah

Sept. 29 - Orange Shirt Day

Sept. 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



On behalf of the Thomas Kidd Staff, I would like to welcome students and families back for another school year. Also, a warm welcome to our new students and their families. We are looking forward to getting to know you. We are excited to be starting the new school year and we look forward to a terrific year of learning, connecting and community building. This week we welcomed back 180 students. It felt wonderful to reconnect with them and it was nice to feel the building energized by their enthusiasm and happiness. As the year unfolds, I encourage you to reach out if you have any concerns, questions or thoughts.

Kind regards,
Mr, Cherry



WELCOME TO NEW STAFF

We are excited to welcome the following new staff to Kidd:

Ms. Hayre (Gr. 5/6) Job Share

Ms. Doyle (Gr. 5/6) Job Share

Mr. Mendoza (Gr. 4/5)

Ms. Chahal (Educational Assistant)

Ms. Galway (Educational Assistant)

Ms. Sholberg (Speech Language Pathologist)



SCHOOL HOURS and SIGN IN/OUT PROCEDURES



SCHOOL HOURS

Doors Open: 8:40 am – Teachers will greet the waiting students and bring them inside the building:

Recess: 10:20 am – 10:35 am

Lunch: 11:55 am – 12:45 pm

End of School: 2:45 pm – Parents to pick up at the location designated for their children's class.

LATE ARRIVALS

Once teachers have already brought in their students from the line up locations, any late students must go to the office at the front of the school and check in before going to class.

Arriving on time allows students to settle into their daily routines and to be at their best to start learning.





MEET THE STAFF NIGHT

Please mark your calendars. Our first community event will be Meet the Staff Night on Friday, September 19th from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's classroom teacher and connect with families in the community. We hope to see you there.



Thomas Kidd Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Thomas Kidd has an amazing PAC that supports the school through fundraising events, community gatherings and a hot lunch program. All families are members of the PAC and are encouraged to join. Meetings are held on weeknights from 5:30 - 7:00 pm. The first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 16th at 5:30 pm in the library.

CELL PHONE USE IN SCHOOLS

The Richmond School District Digital Device Policy around device use in schools is as follows:
Elementary Schools (K-7):

- Student should not have personal devices in their possession during the school day unless granted by a supervising staff for educational purposes. This includes recess, lunch, school based extra curricular activities and while out on the playground.
- It is recommended that students do not bring personal devices to school. Personal devices that go missing or are damaged at school will not be the responsibility of the school.



SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

The Richmond school district uses School Cash Online, an online fee payment system. For safety and efficiency reasons, the district and our school prefer that parents use this service to reduce the amount of cash and cheques coming into school. Online payments also greatly simplify the refunding process in case field trips or other school events are cancelled. If you haven't done so already, please go to the following website to register: <https://richmondsd38.schoolcashonline.com/>

When registering you will need your child's pupil number. This is the number on the top of the blue Student Information Verification Form. If you have not registered previously, you will also receive a School Cash Online letter with your child's pupil number on it. Alternatively, you may email kidd@sd38.bc.ca for your child's number.

District Communication-School Messenger

All newly registered families will receive a text message from school messenger.com 978338

To opt-in to the service, please send a text with "Y" to 978338.

After that , you will receive a opt-in confirmation from this service.



SEPTEMBER FORMS TO GO HOME

The September forms will be going home early next week. These forms will include the following: Student Information Verification Form

- Student Verification Forms
- Participation in Outdoor Classroom and Walking Field Trips Consent Form
- Personal Information Consent Form
- School Supplies and Agendas

STUDENT AND FAMILY AFFORDABILITY FUND

This past spring, the provincial government announced a renewal of one-time funds for the Student and Family Affordability Fund. This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school related costs in the following areas:

- School and course fees
- School supplies and course materials
- Field trips
- School-related extracurricular opportunities
- Clothing and footwear required for sports and school activities



Please reach out to Mr. Cherry at dcherry@sd38.bc.ca if you need assistance. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.



PARKING LOT SAFETY

There is limited space in our school parking lot. We ask that you take extra precaution by driving slowly and using designated parking spots when dropping off your child. Please do not drop off your child in the driving lanes as there are cars driving around and backing out of spots. Please do not park on the North side of the school in the NO PARKING lane. Also, please make sure you follow the arrows in the parking lot. Please do not come in the exit entry. It is not safe.

Please talk to Mr. Cherry if you have any concerns about the parking lot. We are committed to the safety of our community and we appreciate your help.

S.P.I.C.E. of Life Child Care

Operating from Thomas Kidd Elementary School since 2002

Registration for 2025-26 OPEN

NEW Part-time Daycare	
MondaytoFriday 7:30 amto2:30 pm	<i>Spaces available \$420/month</i>
Daycare Program	
MondaytoFriday 7:30 amto5:30 pm	<i>Limited Spaces available \$520/month</i>
Before and After School	
MondaytoFriday 7:30 am to8:45 am and 2:45 pmtto5:30 pm	<i>Currently Full \$381/month</i> <i>(email tobeaddedtoourwaitlist)</i>

For more information or to register:

Pick up a Brochure (available at school office or
outside our classroom 101)

Email Tahzeem at spiceoflife@shaw.ca

Call us at 604.272.4040