



Kidd Week at a Glance

September 23-27

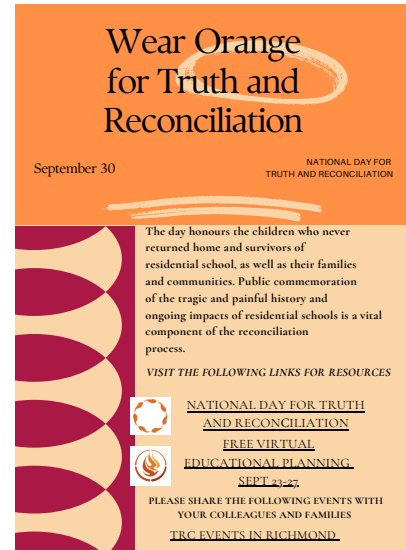
Upcoming Cultural Holidays & Commemorative Days of Recognition

Sept. 22-28 Gender Equality Week

Sept. 27 **Orange Shirt Day**
 Students and staff are encouraged to wear orange on September 27th. Kidd staff will be doing activities with students connected to Orange Shirt Day and Truth and Reconciliation.

Sept. 3 **National Day of Truth and Reconciliation**
 (School is closed)

Oct. 2- 4 Rosh Hashana



Monday Sept. 23rd	
Tuesday Sept. 24th	Fire Drill
Wednesday Sept. 25th	
Thursday Sept. 26th	
Friday Sept. 27th	Orange Shirt Day

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

We had a great day for the Terry Fox Run! Staff and students had fun participating in this important run. As a school we were able to raise \$200.00 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Thank you everyone for your generosity. It was also wonderful seeing so many families out for our Meet the Teacher night.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

There will be no school on Friday, September 20th. Staff will be participating in professional learning during the Professional Development Day.

PAC MEETING

Mark your calendars, the first Kidd PAC meeting will be on Tuesday, September 24th at 6:30 pm in the library. All are welcome to attend.



FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM CONSENT FORM (ATTACHED to EMAIL)

We are pleased to announce that Thomas Kidd will be part of the **B C School Fruit and Vegetable Nutritional Program** sponsored by B.C. Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation and ActNowBC. They will be providing fresh B.C. Fruits and Vegetable and **MILK** to the students during classroom time. The students will receive picked, washed, and ready to enjoy produce every other week at **no charge!** *Every Kidd student is automatically part of this program, but if you choose to not have your child(ren) get fruit and vegetables at school, please complete the attached form and give it back to the school office. Also, if your child has a food allergy, please fill in the form and return it to the office.*



- Safe**
 - We move and play safely.
 - We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.
 - We get adult help when needed.
- Helpful**
 - We help others when they need help.
 - We care for our environment.
 - We ask ourselves, "Is this helpful or hurtful?"
- Accountable**
 - We are on time and ready to learn.
 - We take ownership of our actions.
 - We are honest with ourselves and others.
 - We keep school grounds clean and use equipment properly.
- Respectful**
 - We are kind, polite and fair: we treat others the way we want to be treated.
 - We listen mindfully.
 - We solve problems peacefully.
 - We respect others' feelings and property.
- Positive**
 - We appreciate differences.
 - We have a positive attitude.
 - We are friendly.

THOMAS KIDD S.H.A.R.P.

Since the beginning of the school year, students and staff have been reviewing our S.H.A.R.P common language. This language is used to reinforce and celebrate the positive behaviours that go on in the school as well as help to set common expectations. Kidd students know the language well and demonstrate S.H.A.R.P. in many ways.

SCHOOL REMINDERS

ALLERGIES: NUT AWARE SCHOOL

All families should be aware that Thomas Kidd is a "Nut Aware" school. Since we have several students who are deathly allergic to nuts, we need to TRY and make the entire school "Nut Free". Please **DO NOT SEND FOOD TO SCHOOL CONTAINING NUTS.**



SCHOOL SUPPLY AND PLANNER PAID THROUGH SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

School supplies and planners can be paid by using the Richmond school School Cash 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.schoolcashionline.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 that was sent home this week. 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.

SEPTEMBER FORMS THAT WENT HOME

Earlier this week we sent home "back to school forms" (listed below). Please complete and return to your child's classroom teacher by end of the month. Thank you.

- Student Information Verification Form
- 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.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES AT SCHOOL

This year the Ministry of Education asked school districts to make changes to policy regarding personal devices at school. The Richmond School District recognizes and understand that cell phones and personal music devices are part of our lives today, and can support learning, but they can be very disruptive to learning as well. As part of the new policy, students should not have digital devices during the school day unless a supervising staff person gives permission for them to be used for learning. Also, it is recommended that students do not bring their personal devices to school. At Kidd, we have iPads for students to use for learning and if students need to call home, they are welcome to use the office phone.

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.**

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



Mark your calendars - Dates will be added as we plan activities

Sept 24	PAC Meeting at 6:30 pm in the library
Sept 27	Truth & Reconciliation/Orange Shirt Day
Sept 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day – school not in session
Oct 14	Thanksgiving Day – school not in session
Oct 23	Term 1 Conferences – early dismissal at 1:45pm
Oct 24	Term 1 Conferences – early dismissal at 1:45pm
Oct 25	Provincial Pro- D – school not in session
Oct 29	Pumpkin Carving
Oct 31	Halloween – Costume Parade

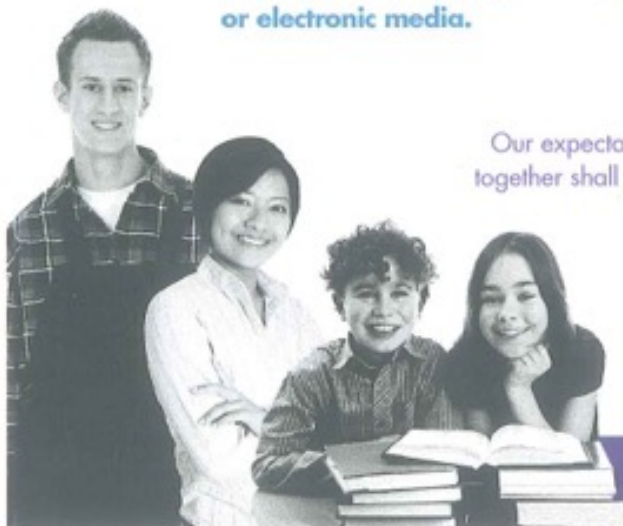
HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- 1** Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2** Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3** Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4** Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5** Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- 6** Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.

Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.



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is available online at:
sd38.bc.ca/codeofconduct