

Week At A Glance

Monday,
Feb. 16, 2026
Family Day
(schools closed)

Tuesday,
Feb. 17, 2026
Happy Tuesday!

Wednesday,
Feb. 18, 2026
Breakfast Club in the
Gym @ 8:00AM to
8:30AM

Thursday,
Feb. 19, 2026
Happy Thursday!

Friday,
Feb. 20, 2026
Breakfast Club in the
Gym @ 8:00AM to
8:30AM

McNeely Week Ahead

Feb. 16 to
Feb. 20, 2026

Absent? Please call the office at
604-668-6250 to let us know.



**A reminder to drivers that there
is NO PARKING in front of the
school. The lane is for DROP OFF
ONLY. If adults need to leave
their cars, PARKING IS
AVAILABLE IN THE LOT BY THE
PLAYGROUND.**



District Universal Hot Lunch

Utilizing Feeding Futures as well as National School Food Program funding, the Richmond School District will be piloting a universal hot lunch program at selected elementary and secondary schools. It is anticipated that a lunch will be offered to all students at McNeely Elementary School once each month beginning Friday, March 6, 2026. We will be using the MunchaLunch ordering platform which families use to order other hot lunches from the school.

The following dates have been scheduled for McNeely:

- March 6, 2026 (ordering closes 9PM on Feb. 27)
- April 17, 2026 (ordering closes 9PM on Apr. 10)
- May 1, 2026 (ordering closes 9PM on Apr. 24)
- June 5, 2026 (ordering closes 9PM on May 29)



These dates are separate from our McNeely PAC Hot Lunch dates. Families can order ONE MEAL PER CHILD at no cost.

Families with an **EXISTING MunchaLunch account** for ordering PAC hot lunches will now see a separate profile called 'Feeding Futures' on their account. Please use your existing login and password for MunchaLunch to view and order. Participation is optional and the vendors for universal hot lunch have provided menu accommodations for different dietary considerations. Different sizes of meals are also available.

Families NEW to MunchaLunch can register using the following link:

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/mcneely/>

Information and instructions for setting up a new account and ordering can be found via this link: <https://munchalunch.com/docs/sd38/FF>

Please contact our school office with any questions or if you require assistance setting up an account/ placing an order.

PAC NEWS

Hot Lunch Dates

Friday February 27th: Taco Luis / Smoothies

(order by Thursday, Feb. 19th)

Friday March 13th: Sushi / Smoothies

(order by Thursday, Mar. 5th)

Friday April 10th: Pizza Hut / Smoothies

(order by Thursday, Apr. 2nd)

Friday April 24th: Subway / Smoothies

(order by Thursday, Apr. 16th)

Friday May 8th: Sushi

(order by Thursday, April 30th)

Friday May 29th: Taco Luis / Smoothies

(order by Thursday, May 21st)

Friday June 12th, Pizza Hut/ Smoothies

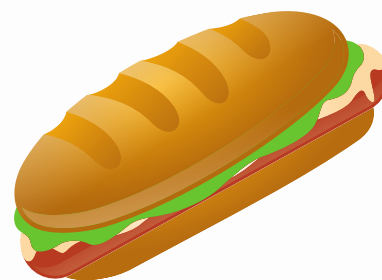
(order by Thursday, June 4th)

If you have questions, please email us at

mcneelyhotlunch@outlook.com



Click the button to order!



**JOIN US FOR A YEAR-END
BYOB (BRING YOUR OWN BLANKET) PICNIC,
POTLUCK STYLE!**

Date: Saturday, June 6, 2026

Location: King George Park - look for the McNeely tent!

Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm rain or shine

PAC will be providing sweet treats and fruit for all to enjoy.

Show your spirit and rock your spirit wear!

Got a question? Please email us at mcneelypac@outlook.com



February is

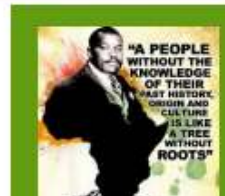
**BLACK HISTORY MONTH:
AN INTRODUCTION**



INQUIRE! What is Black History Month, and why does it matter?

What is Black History Month? Why do we celebrate it?

The United Nations declared 2015-2024 to be the International Decade for People of African Descent. Black History Month in February is a time to reflect on the stories, experiences and accomplishments of Black Canadians. During Black History Month, Canadians celebrate the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians who, throughout history, have done much to make Canada the culturally diverse, compassionate and prosperous nation it is today.



**BC Black History Awareness Society**
OUR ROOTS RUN DEEP

Black History Month 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28



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Black History Month 2026

- 01/02 - BHM Launch - Locrian Tones**
Open Space, 7pm-9pm; by donation
- 01/02 - Black Pioneers at Shady Creek**
Central Saanich United, 10:15am; free admission
- 07/02 - History & Heritage Day**
Royal BC Museum, 1pm-4pm; free admission
- 14/02 - Appreciation Tea - Louise Rose**
Baumann Centre, 2pm-4pm; ticketed
- 15/02 - Celebrate Music - Ebony Roots**
KWENCH, 2pm-4pm; ticketed
- 22/02 - Ross Bay Cemetery Tour**
1495 Fairfield Road, 2pm-3pm; admission \$5/\$2
- 27/02 - Keynote Speaker - Junie Desil**
Baumann Centre, 7pm-9pm; ticketed



[Click here for](#)
[Black History Month events in BC!](#)



Celebrations in our Community



February 15, 2026 – Maha Shivaratri (Hindu)

Warm wishes to members of the Hindu community observing Maha Shivaratri, the “Great Night of Lord Shiva.” — honouring the triumph of light over darkness and the power of spiritual renewal. May this observance bring peace, strength, and spiritual renewal.

Translation note: Maha Shivaratri (महाशिवरात्रि) means “Great Night of Shiva.”

Pronounced: **MAH-ha SHIH-vah-rah-tree.**

February 17, 2026 – Lunar New Year (Chinese, Taiwanese, Korean, Vietnamese, and several Southeast Asian communities)

Happy Lunar New Year to all who celebrate! As you welcome the Year of the Horse, may this time of renewal bring joy, connection, and hope to you and your families.

Translation note: Known as Chūn Jié (春节) in Mandarin, Seollal (설날) in Korean, and Tết Nguyên Đán in Vietnamese.

Pronounced: **Choon-jyeh, Suhl-lahl, Tet Nguyen Dan.**

February 17 (or February 18- ~March 18), 2026 – Beginning of Ramadhan (Islamic)

We extend our best wishes to the Muslim students, staff, and families as the holy month of Ramadhan begins. May this holy month of reflection, fasting, giving to charity and community continue to foster compassion, gratitude, and spiritual renewal for you and your loved ones.

Translation note: Ramadhan (Arabic: رَمَضَان, often spelled Ramadan) meaning “heat”, as the month originally was supposed to fall on the hottest months.

Pronounced: **RAH-mah-dhan or RAH-mah-zan.**

February 18, 2026 – Ash Wednesday (Christian)

To the Christian students, staff, and families preparing for the Lenten season: we send warm greetings on Ash Wednesday, as this day marks a time of reflection, renewal, and preparation. May you find meaning in the season ahead as you journey toward Easter.

Upcoming Events/Dates of Note

Monday, February 16: Family Day (schools closed)

Tuesday, February 24, 2026: Shuffle Dance

Workshops begin - **Thank you to our PAC for sponsoring this dance workshop!**

Wednesday, February 25: Parent Conferences Early Dismissal @ 11:15AM; Pink Shirt Day

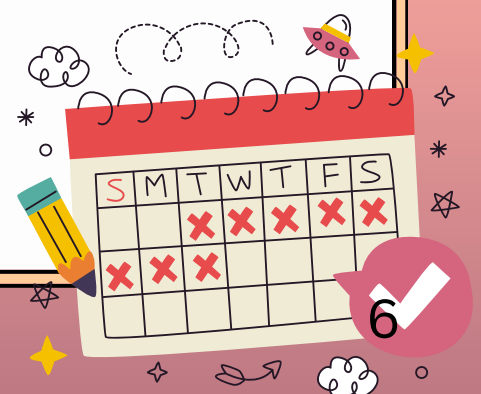
Friday, February 27: Hot Lunch (Taco Luis)

Thursday, March 5, 2026: Immunization Clinic

Monday, March 9, 2026: Div. 6 @ Fraser River Discovery Centre

Thursday, March 12, 2026: Div. 5 @ Fraser River Discover Centre

Friday, March 13, 2026: Last day before Spring Break; Shuffle Dance Performance in the Gym after lunch (exact time TBD, parents welcome to attend); Hot Lunch (Sushi)





RICHMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT 38 PRESENTS

Jazz Night

*featuring Secondary School Jazz Bands from
across the Richmond School District*

Thursday, March 5, 2026

6:00 pm
McMath Secondary School

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