

ANDERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter Principal: Mr. S. Harrington Vice-Principal: Mr. C. Chan 9460 Alberta Road, Richmond, BC V6Y 1T6 (604) 668-6355

Anderson School

This Week's News! - January 9th - 13th







Welcome back and Happy New Year to all our Anderson Families. We are excited to be back at school and get back into a routine! We wish all our students, staff and families a fun, safe and productive New Year!

Black Excellence Day

Friday, January 13th

As a lead up to Black History Month, Black Excellence Day is a day to rejoice Black history and learn about Black stories, Black art and Black people, and a day to stand in solidarity with Black Canadians.

- Black Excellence Day was created by Ninandotoo Society and takes place on January 15th each year, or the preceding Friday if it falls on a weekend or holiday. In 2023, Black Excellence Day is on January 13th.
- January 15th is in honour of the great civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. who was born on January 15, 1929.
- This day is in support of Black Canadians and the ongoing civil rights struggle of Black Canadians.
- The term Black Excellence was born out of the civil rights movement in the 1960s.

Building Community Through Mathematics

Did you know that our school goal is building community through mathematics?

This school year, many students have learned fundamental Rubik's Cube algorithms and strategies. Next Friday, intermediate students will be participating in a celebration of mathematical learning. The afternoon will begin with grade group student demonstrations and shared learning, then culminate with a team timed challenge.

We look forward to building school community through this celebration and will share the results with you in the next newsletter!



Notice of Intent to Attend Form for 2023/24 School Year

If you have not already done so – please fill out and return to Anderson the **Notice of Intend to Attend Form** that was sent out to all families on Wednesday, January 4th.

It is important that this form be filled out to have staffing in place for September 2023.

The completed form can be sent back thru this e-mail, or printed off and returned to the Anderson Office no later than January 20th. **Thank you!**

Safe Arrival - Early Warning

Safe Arrival is a service that is run the by the school. It is activated first thing every morning to confirm the whereabouts of every student in the school. This system relies on your co-operation and is in place to keep your child safe.

If your child is going to be absent or late, please contact the Safe Arrival Number at:

604-668-6358

Before 9:00 am each morning, please leave the following information;

- 1. Student full name (Spell the Last Name)
- 2. Division/Homeroom number and the Teacher's Name
- 3. Reason for absence is optional except when it involves a communicable disease.
- 4. The number of days you expect your child to be absent.



If your child arrives late, please remind him/her to check in at the office to let us know they have arrived.,





Wednesday, January 11th Friday, January 13th Friday, January 13th

Sunday, January 22nd

Looking ahead... Monday, January 30th PAC meeting 6:45 pm in the Multipurpose Room Black Excellence Day Building Community through Mathematics (afternoon session on "Cubing")

Lunar New Year

Professional Development Day – School not in session

