

#### ANDERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter
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# Anderson School This Week's News! – February 13<sup>th</sup> to February 17<sup>th</sup>



#### **Important Reminders!**

Early Dismissal at 1:45 on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>
And
Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day
(School is not in session)

## Student Breakfast Club – Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>! Still Looking For Volunteers!

With the help of some parents, we are hoping to provide another event of Breakfast Club in the Anderson Gym. This would be a before school opportunity for students to come to school early and have a breakfast in the gym with other Anderson students. What a great way to start the day! We are looking at Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> as a possible second date for our Breakfast Club. To make this a possibly, we really require a dedicated group of parents to help flip pancakes and attend to all the jobs that are required to make this event a success.

If we have any Anderson Parents who want to volunteer, please send Raseel an email with your contact information. If you would rather give her a phone call, she is open to that as well. It would be great if you could let Raseel know by February 12<sup>th</sup> if you are able to help out on February 23<sup>rd</sup> – likely from about 7:20 am until 9:00 am.

Raseel's contact information:

raseel\_81@hotmail.com or phone # 604 349 9963

#### Lockdown Drill – February 15<sup>th</sup>

We're writing to let you know about a safety procedure – a "lockdown" drill.

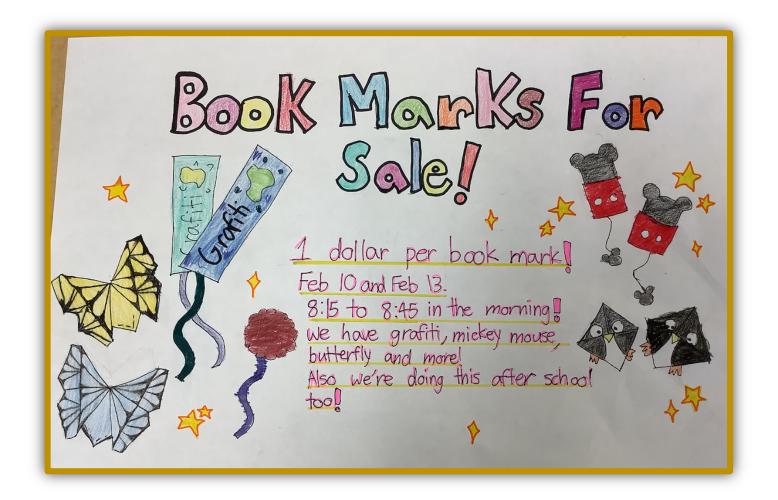
Anderson Elementary school, along with the rest of the Richmond School District, is committed to promoting Safe Schools for all students and staff. Part of that commitment is ensuring staff and students are trained and prepared to respond to any threat, minor or serious, to our school population.

Just as we practice safe procedures in case of earthquake or fire, we will now prepare for other situations that might happen in our neighbourhood (such as a broken gas line) or within our school (such as an intruder). These situations would lead us to "lockdown" the school. For the broken gas line example, we would follow Hold & Secure procedures — a **perimeter** lockdown. For an intruder, we would follow Lockdown procedures. These procedures have been developed with the support of law enforcement agencies and are consistent through all metro school districts.

We will have our first "lockdown" drill on **Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm** to simulate effective responses to potential safety threats. You know your child best and if you feel your child would benefit from some reassurance, please have a brief conversation with him or her before the drill.

If you have any questions about the lockdown drill, please call Mr. Harrington or Mr. Chan at school.





#### Calling all Grade 7 Parents:

The students have chosen what they would like for their Grade 7 Celebrations, now it's time to plan.

Please join us to start planning/fundraising ideas and decisions next Wednesday, February 15th at 6:30pm, at School in our Multi-Purpose Room OR on Zoom.

Questions? E-mail, <a href="mailto:henryandersongrad@gmail.com">henryandersongrad@gmail.com</a> See you Wednesday!

Zoom: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73681076659?pwd=Pbsnkle56io4QSYxEV6TS9XYsmBSkg.1



#### MUNCHALUNCH

Our next MunchaLunch Day is Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> It is SUBWAY

Last day to order is Sunday, February 12th

Future MunchaLunch dates will be announced soon

#### Safe Arrival @ Anderson

Save Arrival is a service that is run by the school. It is activated first thing every morning to confirm the whereabouts of every student in the school.

If you know that your child will be late or absent please call our Early Warning Line before 9:00 am at: 604-668-6358

Leave your students full name, homeroom number, reason for absence and the number of days you expect your child to be absent.



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### CRITICAL THINKING BY DESIGN.

#### A Focus on Equity and Anti-Racism

Parents/caregivers play a vital role in education. When you are involved the learning experience is strengthened for the whole school community. When a student is safe, cared for and included they can achieve to their highest potential. We all have a role in helping support an inclusive school community where students can show up as their authentic selves and be treated with dignity, kindness and respect based on their identity including their race, religion, sexual orientation, and gender identity (SOGI).

This session is designed to challenge participants to think critically about bias, stereotypes, prejudice and discrimination. Participants will engage in experiential learning designed to raise equity consciousness and highlight the bias we all have and to better understand how we can use this awareness to create a safe, caring and inclusive environment promoting dignity and respect for all.

SD38 Sponsors an unlearn. Community Session Facilitated by: Abhi Ahluwalia, Founder of unlearn. Richmond School District (SD38)

Date: Feb 16, 2023 Time: 7:00pm - 8:15pm PST

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

https://sd38.zoom.us/j/61347802653

Webinar ID: 613 4780 2653

Passcode: 6000





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#### **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

### February is Black History Month!

Monday, February 13 Division 17 Bookmark sale – Backpack Buddies

Tuesday, February 14 Gr. 6/7 Girls basketball practice after school

Gr. 6/7 Boys basketball practice at lunch

Happy Valentines Day!

Wednesday, February 15 MunchaLunch - Subway

Lockdown Drill 1 pm

Gr. 6/7 Boys basketball practice after school

Thursday, February 16 Early Dismissal 1:45 pm

Donut Order pick up (changed from Tuesday, Feb. 14)

Gr. 6/7 Girls basketball practice at lunch

Friday, February 17 District Pro D Day. (School not in session)

Tuesday, February 22 Pink Kindness Day

