



## ANDERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

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# Anderson School Week-at-a-Glance

**This Week's News! – February 5<sup>th</sup> – February 9<sup>th</sup>**

***Coming This Wednesday! – February 7<sup>th</sup>!***

***Anderson Art Gallery for Divisions 1, 2, 4, 13, 15, 16, 17 and 25***



On Wednesday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-7:30pm, the students of Div. 1, 2, 4, 13, 15, 16, 17, and 25 invites you to visit our Anderson Art Gallery, la Galerie d'art d'Anderson. At the art gallery, you will be able to explore various exhibits featuring various artists and forms of art as well as visit the gift shop and the café and silent auction. All proceeds will be donated to the West Coast Kids Cancer Foundation, to help children and their families whose children are struggling with cancer and blood disorders. We look forward to seeing you!

## ***Black History Month***

***Continues at Anderson this Month!***

Exploring the history of Black people in Canada is such an important part of Black History month. Developing an understanding that we must learn from past to help ensure people of all cultures and race are treated fairly and with dignity. Culture or race should not impact opportunity or accessibility for anyone living in Canada. Sadly, this has not been the case in Canadian history of Black people in Canada.

The theme for Black History Month 2024 is **Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build**. During Black History Month, people in Canada celebrate the many achievements and contributions of Black Canadians and their communities. More learning, student, staff, parent opportunities and resources can be found at these sites:

- [Canadian Heritage – Government of Canada – About Black History](#)
- [BC Black History Society](#)
- [City of Richmond: Black history resources, events and programs available this month](#)

## ***Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities***

**Everyone Welcome!**



**Upcoming Training: 6:30 to 7:30 pm**

January 23

February 7

February 28



Recommended for Parents/Caregivers/Grandparents and youth aged 10 and up as a way to facilitate the conversation of safe and caring use of technology at home and in the community. (60 minute session)

This session covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion.

Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed.

### Families will learn:

- Digital media habits, oversharing, and digital addiction
- The permanence of online posts/activity
- The significance of your digital tattoo in how others perceive you (e.g., sports teams, college admissions, and potential employers)
- The importance of caring for peers both online and offline
- Geo-locational settings and the dangers of social media and cell phone misuse
- The social and legal consequences of cyberbullying behaviour as well as possession and distribution of intimate images (sexting and sextortion)
- An anonymous student reporting tool that can help you and your friends stay safe both online and offline

[Register HERE](#)

## Earthquake Drill- Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>

On Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, we will be conducting an earthquake drill at Anderson School. The purpose of an earthquake drill is to practice what to do in the event that there is an earthquake. Each year, schools practice this drill in addition to other drills such as fire drills and lock down drills. The earthquake drill begins with a rumbling sound played over the PA system. Students will then practice their duck and cover, out loud counting, then await next steps from their teacher. For most students, this drill in addition to other drills will be a routine learning opportunity. For some students, a reminder discussion at home may be helpful.

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>

Basketball – Boys at lunch

**Basketball Game – Girls after school**

Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>

Basketball – Girls at lunch

Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

**6-7:30 pm Anderson Art Gallery for Divisions 1, 2, 4, 13, 15, 16, 17 and 25**

Basketball – Boys at lunch

**Basketball Game – Boys at Bridge after school**

Munch-A-Lunch Pizza Day

Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>

Basketball – Girls at Lunch

**Basketball Game – Girls at Bridge after school**

Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>

Basketball – Boys practice (7:55 am)

Saturday February 10<sup>th</sup>

Lunar New Year!

Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

Valentine's Day

Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

**Professional Development Day – School not in session**

Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

**Family Day – School not in session**

Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

Munch-A-Lunch Sushi Day

Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>

Early Dismissal for Conferences @ **11:50 am**

