



Dixon Elementary School 9331 Diamond Rd Richmond BC.

# The Week Ahead

## Parent RCMP Internet Safety Workshop Monday, February 28th 7 pm

Dear Dragon Families,

We invite all parents to join us on zoom this Monday evening at 7 pm. The link was sent earlier today in a separate email for safety. Constable Chan will be presenting information regarding being safe online. This is a district presentation and as such many schools are participating. Please make time to attend our zoom session on Monday.



## Kindness Week a Huge Success!

There was a sea of Pink on Wednesday! Thanks again to student council for encouraging our Dragons to show a little more kindness than our Dragons already show!

## Dragon Dash

Thursday May 10! Ask your child how their class is doing....have they guided their baby Dragon to its den or laird?

## Conferences

Thanks so all of our staff and families for taking time to communicate and collaborate to support our learners! Together we are better!



## Monday

Gr.6/7 basketball - boys

Div. 1, 2, 7, 8 Band

RCMP Internet Safety Presentation 7 pm - see zoom link in email from Ms. Wallace

## Tuesday

Primary Run Club

Gr. 5/6/7 basketball girls

## Wednesday

Div. 1, 2, 7, 8 Band

Gr. 6/7 basketball boys

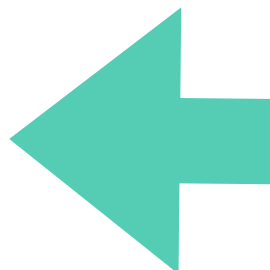
## Thursday

Primary Run Club cancelled

## Friday

## Saturday

Sun Run Training 9:30 am Steveston Starbucks





## Basketball

Our grade 6/7 students played two games against Diefenbaker Elementary this week - it was very exciting and super fun to see the students pushing themselves outside of their comfort zone and showing excellent sportsmanship at the same time. Thanks to our staff for dedicating their lunch time and after school time to support our extra curricular programs.

## The Dragon Dash Update!

On March 10rd (note date change!) we are hosting our second Dragon Dash to celebrate all of our running dragons who are collecting kilometres for their classes by running around the school track during gym class and at some recess and lunch times. Each Division is trying to help their baby dragon get back to their Mama dragon. Running kilometres helps our babies find their mom! To wind up and celebrate we will be hosting a school wide run on **Thursday March 10rd in the morning**. We will run in waves starting with our Primary Run club. As always our organizing team has organized ribbons, hot chocolate and pre-packaged cookie for each runner. Our run is outside and will be following all of our health and safety protocols. Parents are welcome to watch - we ask that you spread out and wave to your child from afar. More details to come. Please support your running dragon by ensuring your child always has a water bottle and proper running footwear.



Dixon PAC presents  
Neufeld's Winter Favorites Fundraiser

[https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/  
2022-dixon-elementary](https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2022-dixon-elementary)

Enjoy top quality meats and sweets with an easy to use online ordering system! Many items local to the Fraser Valley. All of your favorites are just a click away...

**Orders In By: Sunday, February 27th 2022,  
end of day**

Pick up: Tuesday, March 8th 2022, 2:30  
pm at Dixon

When placing your order online, please list the "Seller" as the person who will be able to pick up your order.

### Student Safety Update

Thank you to parents who are taking the time to park and walk in to pick up their children. As our school is a choice program school our Dragon families live all over Richmond. Our parking lot was not built for parent parking. In fact most days we have just enough staff parking. As the weather improves if possible encourage your children to ride their bike or please park outside the path ways around the school property and walk in to pick up your child. Please model kindness and respect for our students. If the drop/pick up area is too busy for you please consider parking and walking in to pick up your child or arrange an alternate meeting spot.



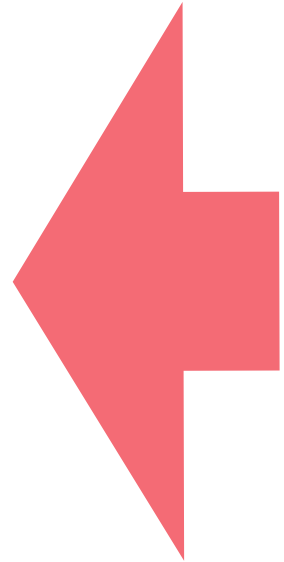
## Dixon Dragon's Sun Run Team

Come join 40,000 other keen runners on **Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>** and Run in **Canada's Largest 10km Road Race**.

This year the Sun Run is back in person. Dixon is putting a **Youth Challenge Team** together for grade 5-7 students, parents, and staff. Training is on Saturdays at 9:30am to 10:45 from Steveston Starbucks and Wednesdays at 7:40-8:35am from Dixon. No running experience necessary but you need to make a commitment to weekly practices.

Please email: Mrs. Maika at [rmaika@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:rmaika@sd38.bc.ca) if you would like to join.

Practices are ongoing - meet at Steveston Starbucks



# New Updated Daily Health Check...

Please ensure you check the health declaration each day. Please keep your child home if they show any key symptom or if they have other symptoms. Please send a mask to school with your child each day. Thank you!

## Daily Health Check and What to Do When Sick

### Daily Health Check

Everyone going into to school must complete a daily health check, including staff, visitors, and students. A daily health check means checking yourself or your child for new symptoms of illness, including symptoms of COVID-19.

Symptoms of illness (including COVID-19) include things like:

- Fever or chills
- Difficulty breathing
- Runny nose
- Headache
- Diarrhea
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Sneezing
- Body aches
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Loss of appetite
- Extreme fatigue or tiredness
- Nausea or vomiting

**If you are sick or feel unwell, stay at home. This is important to stop the spread of illness, including COVID-19, in schools.**

You can attend school if:

- Your symptoms are consistent with a previously diagnosed health condition (e.g., seasonal allergies), OR
- You have existing symptoms that have improved to where you feel well enough to return to regular activities,

AND you are not required to self-isolate, or your self-isolation period is over (based on a positive COVID-19 test result, if taken).

### What to Do When Sick

**If you have mild symptoms of COVID-19**, you usually don't need a test. Mild symptoms are symptoms that can be managed at home. Most people don't need testing for COVID-19.

Stay home and away from others (as much as possible) until you feel well enough to return to your regular activities and you no longer have a fever. You should also avoid non-essential visits to higher risk settings such as long term care facilities and gatherings, for another 5 days after ending isolation.

If you have a Rapid Antigen Test at home, use it when you have symptoms. How long you should stay home depends on your test result. Find out more about [Rapid Antigen Test results](#).

**If you do not have symptoms of COVID-19**, you do not need a test.

**If you are unsure about your symptoms**, you can use the [Self-Assessment Tool](#), contact your health care provider or call 8-1-1.

Testing may be recommended for some people who may be more likely to get severe disease. See BCCDC for information on [who testing is recommended for](#).

## Upcoming Important Dates

January 16	Ice Breaker 8 Km Run—Steveston postponed April 10th
<b>February 27th</b>	<b>PAC Fundraising order due! Please support our PAC!</b>
February 28	PAC meeting & RCMP Parent Internet Safety Zoom 7 pm
March 10	Dragon DASH at school - Kilometre Club Wind Up
March 4th	Hot Lunch
March 7th	PAC Meeting
March 14 - March 25	Spring Break
March 31	Grade 6/7 Snowshoeing Trip to Seymour
April 11	PAC meeting
April 15	Good Friday
April 18	Easter Monday
May 12	Welcome to Kindergarten - afternoon
May 16	PAC Meeting
June 20	PAC Meeting

## PAC News

Subscribe to the Dixon PAC newsletter to keep up to date on PAC activities and upcoming fundraisers:

<https://sd38.us15.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=3764e2c0622f6741db5a75b9b&id=a048d31383>

### PAC FAQ

Did you know that you are a Dixon PAC member? All parents and guardians of students registered in the school are able to participate and are members of the PAC.

#### What is a PAC?

A PAC (Parent Advisory Council), through the BC School Act, is the official collective voice of the parents and guardians of a particular school's student community. The PAC will often:

- Provide input to the school.
- Learn about (and participate in) school-based activities.
- Advocate for all students of the school community.

A school must also have a PAC to be eligible for certain funding grants.

#### What happens at a PAC meeting?

The key topics are:

- Administrators update - the principal and vice principal provide an overview of what is currently happening in the school and what future events are being planned.
- PAC Treasury Report: the PAC treasurer reviews the PAC budget. If PAC funding is requested, a vote to use PAC funds may take place.
- Fundraising: the PAC fundraising representative provides an update on hot lunches, movie nights, the annual craft fair, dine-to-donate, sales, etc.

#### How long does a PAC meeting last?

We aim to have most meetings completed within an hour.