



APRIL 3 - 7, 2023

Monday Apr 3	Tuesday Apr 4	Wednesday Apr 5	Thursday Apr 6	Friday Apr 7
Day 1 <i>Apr 1-30 Sikh Heritage Month</i> <hr/> <i>Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation & Prevention Month</i>	Day 2 (Flex) Euclid Math Contest (Block A & B)	Day 1 Collaboration Day (late start 9:55am) <i>Apr 5-13 Pesach- Judaism</i>	Day 2 (Flex) Core Competencies DUE	Good Friday (school closed)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Core Competencies Reflections (DUE Apr 6)

All Students are required to complete Core Competencies Reflections ([LINK](#)) by Thurs, Apr 6.

Easter Monday (Apr 10 – no school)

Next Monday will be Easter Monday statutory holiday. Enjoy a wonderful long weekend!

Valedictory Survey 2023 (Deadline Apr 14)

Grade 12s – Please click [HERE](#) to provide:

- whether you are attending the valedictory
- your height, so we can order your gown
- your valedictory comment to be read while crossing the stage

Ministry of Education Parent Survey

The Ministry of Education is asking parents of grade 10 and 12 students to complete a short survey.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to access the survey.

Parent-Teacher Conferences (Apr 19-20)

Appointments will be available from 2-4pm on both days and 6-8pm on April 20th. Both days will have early dismissal at 12:50pm. More information will be posted on our website when bookings open on April 13th.

Sikh Heritage Month

April is a time where we recognize the many past and current contributions of the Sikh community in making Canada the country that it is today.

Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation & Prevention Month

During this time, Canadians will take a moment to remember the victims of genocide, honour the courage and resilience of all survivors and their descendants, and reflect on how we can prevent future atrocities from occurring.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Apr 5-13 Pesach (Judaism)

Apr 7 Good Friday (Christianity – school closed)

Apr 8 Vesak/Wesak/Buddha Day/Visakha Puja

Apr 9 Easter Sunday (Christianity)

Apr 10 Easter Monday (Christianity – school closed)

Apr 11 Soup Kitchen #1 (Mini 12s)

Apr 14 Semester 2 Term 1 Report Cards published on MyEd

Apr 18 Soup Kitchen #2 (Mini 12s)

Apr 19 Parent-Teacher Conference (2pm-4pm)

Apr 20 Parent-Teacher Conference (2pm-4pm, 6pm-8pm)

Apr 21 Eid-al-Fitr (Islam)

Apr 24-26 Mini 9s Trip: Timberline Ranch

Apr 27 GNA for Grade 10

Apr 27 PAC Meeting (7pm Virtual)

PAC & Dry Grad Meeting (Apr 27)

The next PAC Meeting will be held virtually on Zoom on Thursday **Apr 27th at 7:00pm** followed by Dry Grad Meeting at 7:45pm. New parents and guardians are welcome to join.

Meeting Link: [Click Here](#)

Meeting ID: **882 8018 6114** Passcode: **096317**

Dry Grad Fundraisers 2023

Please see following pages for the **letter from Dry Grad 2023 Committee** and **ongoing fundraiser events**.

Pesach (Judaism – April 5-13)

Also known as Passover, this festival is a time for Jewish people to celebrate freedom from slavery and the renewal of spring. Families gather for *seder* dinners on the first two nights and eat unleavened bread called *matzah* in place of most items made from grains for all eight days of the festival.

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Letter to parents regarding McNair Dry Grad 2023

A Night to Remember

Planning for 2023 Dry Grad activities in McNair is underway. Our dedicated team of volunteers is determined to make this year's event a night to remember! We invite all parents, families, and community members to help host a safe celebration to help our graduate students spend a memorable night after their prom party. This would be the last time they would see each other before they dispersed into their adult college lives. As parents of Grade 12, we want to give them the best night in a safe, alcohol and drug-free environment. The night offers fun activities, entertainment, food, and music to draw youth to an event where they can have the time of their lives without risking their lives or indulging in unsafe activities after their graduation party. **McNair Dry Grad will be on June 26, 11 pm at McNair Secondary right after the prom. THE DRY GRAD EVENT IS FULLY FUNDED AND ORGANIZED BY PARENT VOLUNTEERS.** Therefore, we need the participation and involvement of all parents. You can help as follows:

- Buy your Dry Grad tickets as soon as possible. **Please note:** Only the students who have purchased the Dry After Grad tickets will be boarding the bus that brings them back to McNair Secondary School for the Dry Grad Party. The Dry After Grad (DAG) party ticket is available on school cash online to purchase. Please buy them as soon as possible, so we have a head count and some funds available for planning the activities.
- Due to very high inflation and soaring prices, we desperately need donations. You can donate online at <https://richmondsd38.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/27280/125/false/true>, making sure to indicate that your donation is for McNair Dry Grad 2023. We are grateful to parents, grandparents, and family members who have been making donations for the dry grad party. Every donation counts, and no donation is small. You can also request tax receipts online when donating.
- Support the fundraisers we are organizing: Spring plant sales, First aid and safety supply sales, FlipGive, and bottle drive. The information is attached for your review.
- We are looking for volunteers with great people skills to help recruit and organize Grade 11 or other parent volunteers who can provide onsite support during the event.
- We need help filling the prize table with gifts to give away to Grade 12 students during the Dry Grad party!

We aim to raise \$25,000 through various events, fundraising initiatives, corporate sponsorship, and in-kind donation requests. If you are connected to a business in Richmond or know of community partners who might be interested in supporting the McNair Dry Grad 2023 Celebration, please feel free to connect with our committee anytime. Your workplace, neighborhood businesses, and community centers may donate towards McNair Dry Grad party with cash, gift baskets, gift certificates, etc.

We recognize the years of hard work our graduates have put into completing their high school education and want to mark this important milestone by hosting an amazing graduation celebration.

If you have any questions about the Dry Grad or offer help in any of the above areas, please get in touch with McNairSD38PAC@gmail.com



SUPPORT MCNAIR DRYGRAD 2023 FUNDRAISERS

**IT IS NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOU!
EVERY DONATION GOES A LONG WAY!!**

SPRING FUNDRAISER MCNAIR DRY GRAD 2023



Make your spring special by purchasing spring collection plants, flowers, vegetables, and herbs, and help McNair Dry Grad 2023 fundraiser. These plants are the perfect gift and ready to be delivered right for Mother's Day! Sales will end right after the Earth Day!

The details can be found here:

<https://mcnairdrygrad.growingsmilesfundraising.com>

ORDER DEADLINE: APR 25, 2023

CONFIRMED PICKUP DATE: MAY 09, 2023





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SILENT BOTTLE DRIVE FOR MCNAIR DRY GRAD 2023

Label your refundable recycle bottles/cans/containers, using McNair DryGrad account number and drop them off at Return It depot to help support this fundraiser. The customer number is **252588**. The labels can be conveniently printed from a kiosk at Return It depot, or scan the QR code below or you can request from the Grad Council, who may have some extra labels. This is an easy and effective fundraiser seeking your support.



FLIPGIVE MCNAIR DRY GRAD 2023 FUNDRAISER

This year again McNair Dry Grad coms seeking your support via FlipGive fundraiser. Join the team using this link and shop as you usually do:

<https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?joincode=BZKTHJ>

Our team earns cash back on every purchase we make using the FlipGive app/browser. Just shop online with brands, like Starbucks, various gift cards, Boston pizza, Amazon, Best Buy, Home Depot, Walmart, Sport Chek, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple and many more. Last date to support this fundraiser is **May 1, 2023**.



For any questions, please contact McNairSD38PAC@gmail.com