



NOVEMBER 20 - 24, 2023

Monday Nov 20	Tuesday Nov 21	Wednesday Nov 22	Thursday Nov 23	Friday Nov 24
Professional Development Day <i>School Closed</i> <i>World Child Day</i> <i>Transgender Day of Remembrance</i>	Day 1	Day 2 Learning Updates Published on MyEdBC Parent-Teacher Conference Bookings Open	Day 1	Day 2 Consent Education Assemblies <i>Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur (Sikhism)</i> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Nov 25 <i>Holodomor Memorial Day</i> </div>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Midterm Learning Updates (Nov 22)

Semester 1 Midterm Learning Updates will be published on the MyEdBC Parent Portal at approximately 1:30pm on Nov 22. Please [click here](#) to ensure you can log in. If you need your password reset, please contact our school office by filling in [this form](#).

Parent-Teacher Conference Bookings (Open Nov 22)

Parent-Teacher Conferences are an excellent opportunity to meet with your child's teachers and discuss their progress. Online bookings will open at 1:30pm on Nov 22. Bookings link: mcnair.schoolappointments.com

Consent Education Assemblies (Nov 24)

Recently, the Ministry of Education and Child Care has expanded curriculum content in areas related to consent education and gender-based violence. The Richmond School district is partnering with the [Exploitation Education Institute](#) to share a presentation on 'All About Consent' with all secondary schools. All McNair students will be participating in these presentations. The aim of these interactive presentations is to provide students with more confidence in what constitutes consent (in-person and online) and how to practice it. Students will also learn more about how to access resources and support.

School Communication by SMS/Text Message

The Richmond School District is implementing a new communication tool that will enable both the district and our school to send you text messages. This is being implemented to improve the ability to deliver time-sensitive information to you, including emergency notifications. We strongly encourage you to opt-in for this service. You can choose to opt-in by sending a text message to 978338 with the comment 'Yes'. Please complete this action before November 30, 2023. More information is can be [found here](#).

Grad Council Bottle Drive

Grade 12 students are continuing to run their bottle drive. Please see the next page for more information.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Nov 27 Basketball Home Opener and Pep Rally
Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib (Sikhism)
- Nov 29 Parent-Teacher Conferences (2-4pm)
Early Dismissal
- Nov 30 Parent-Teacher Conferences (2-4 & 6-8pm)
Early Dismissal
- Dec 2 *International Day for Abolition of Slavery*
- Dec 3 *International Day of Persons with Disabilities*
- Dec 6 Collaboration Day
National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- Dec 7 Winter Concert
Hannukah (Judaism – Dec 7-15)
- Dec 8 *Bodhi Day (Buddhism)*
- Dec 9 *International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime*

World Child Day (Nov 20)

Celebrated in Canada in recognition of our country's commitment to upholding the rights of children and two historic events: the 1959 signing of the UN Declaration of the Rights of the Child and the adoption of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1989.

Transgender Day of Remembrance (Nov 20)

An annual observance that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence.

Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur (Sikhism – Nov 24)

A Sikh day of observance for the death and impact of the ninth Sikh Guru.

Holodomor Memorial Day (Nov 25)

A day to remember and honour the millions of victims of the Holodomor, the famine genocide deliberately inflicted on Ukrainian people in 1932 and 1933 by Joseph Stalin's totalitarian regime.

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Dear parents,

McNair's grad council will be running a bottle drive starting November 12th, and ending December 10th. The purpose of this fundraiser is to raise money for the grade twelve legacy gift that they will leave behind for present and future students.

The grade twelve students will be offering either a pick up or drop off option to those who are interested in donating their bottles and cans.

Donors will be able to drop the bottles off outside at the front of the school in the box marked Grad Council Bottle Drive on Fridays between 8 AM - 9 AM or 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM.

If you are interested in having bottles and cans picked up from your home, please use the link below to fill out the form which includes your name, address, email, and pick up date that will work for you.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFtR7mu8FCZxHP394a1jj4kaBn8bkWODvTy_uTJBbkikT1ew/viewform

We appreciate your help in supporting the 50th graduating class of McNair in their journey to providing a legacy gift!

Thank You!

McNair's Grad Council

Sponsor Teachers: N. Iversen, J. Dur, and S. Fraser