



FEBRUARY 5-9, 2024

Monday Feb 5	Tuesday Feb 6	Wednesday Feb 7	Thursday Feb 8	Friday Feb 9
Day 1	Day 2	Day 1	Day 2	Day 1
		Collaboration Day Summary of Learning (Report Cards) Published on MyEdBC	Program Planning Assemblies Grade 8 – Block A Grade 9 – Block B Grade 10 – Block C Grade 11 – Block D	
				Feb 10 <i>Lunar New Year</i>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Semester 1 Summary of Learning (Report Cards)

On Wednesday, we will be publishing the Summary of Learning for Semester 1 on MyEducationBC. Parents are encouraged to log in after receiving the email notifying you that the reports have been published. Should parents require assistance with logging in, please [complete this form](#).

Along with Summaries of Learning, we will also be publishing a new report called “Graduation Status Update” for all students in grades 10-12. This is a new colour-coded document that identifies completed, in-progress, and not-yet-started graduation requirements. As this is a new process, it is possible that questions may arise from the information reported on this form. Should parents have any questions regarding graduation status, they are encouraged to reach out to their child’s counsellor.

Program Planning Assemblies (Feb 8)

All students in Grades 8-11 will attend brief assemblies during class time on Feb 8th so that counsellors can review course planning requirements for next year. Following the assembly, students will receive their course planning sheets. Counsellors will also follow up with opportunities to answer any questions that students may have.

Students should consider their choices carefully as we use this information in building our course schedule for next year—the courses we run are directly tied to students’ requests.

Students will be expected to:

- **return their completed and signed course planning sheets by Feb 20th, AND**
- **enter their courses online by Feb 15th.**

Dry Grad 2024 Committees First Fundraiser of the Year: Emergency Preparedness Kits

Are you prepared for an emergency? See flyer below for a variety of kits available for purchase. Each kit sold will help DAG Committee’s fundraising efforts. This campaign begins January 29th and ends February 16th. Please make cheques payable to *SOS Emergency Response Technologies* and drop off cheque with your order to the school office for the Dry Grad Committee.

PAC Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, Feb 15th

Virtual Meeting at 7 PM. MS Teams link will be emailed.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Feb 14 *Vasant Panchami (Hinduism)*
- Ash Wednesday (Christianity)*
- Feb 15 *Nirvana Day (Buddhism)*
- Feb 16 Pro-D Day (No classes in session)
- Feb 19 BC Family Day (School closed)
- Feb 20 *World Day of Social Justice*
- Feb 21 *International Mother Language Day*
- Feb 24 *Lantern Festival*
- Magha Puja Day (Buddhism)*
- Feb 26 – McNair Theatre Presents:
- Mar 8 *The Addams Family*
- Feb 28 PCF Math Contests
- Pink Shirt Day*
- Mar 1 – 31 *Irish Heritage Month*
- Mar 1 *Zero Discrimination Day*
- Mar 4 – 5 Elementary Basketball Tournament
- Mar 6 Informal Learning Updates (Interim Reports)
- Emailed Hom
- Collaboration Day
- Mar 7 SBT Meeting
- Mar 8 *Maha Shivaratri (Hinduism)*
- International Women's Day*

Lunar New Year

Also known as the Spring Festival, Chinese New Year, Tet for Vietnamese Canadians, or Solnal for Korean Canadians — Lunar New Year is celebrated in Canada and several other countries. It is one of the largest celebrations for Canada’s Chinese population, it is also celebrated by Canadians from Vietnam, Korea, and Southeast Asia. This year marks the year of the Dragon.

McNair’s Unity and Peace club has organized a Lion Dance presentation at lunch by the Shao Lin Hung Gar Kung Fu Association. Two lions, accompanied by drums, cymbals, and gong will help McNair ring in the New Year.

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Calendar Updates

Please note the following changes to correct errors on our school calendar:

- The *National Day of Action to Honour Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, Trans and 2 Spirited* is on October 4, 2024, not February 14, 2024
- The *Moose Hide Campaign Day* is on May 16, 2024, not February 10, 2024.

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