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Administration Message

It's hard to believe we're already into February 2024! Not only does February mark the halfway point in the school year, it is also a month where we celebrate Valentine's Day, pay tribute to Black History Month, and promote inclusion and kindness on Pink Shirt Day. February may be the shortest month of the year, but it promises to be a busy one!

February also marks the beginning of our planning for next year. We have a number of transition activities and meetings taking place, both for students coming our way and those heading off to secondary school. If you have a student who is transitioning to high school, please stay tuned for information from the high schools.

In reaching the half-way mark of the school year, we want to share that it is amazing to belong to such a special community where students, staff and parents aspire to *Care, Engage and Inspire*.



Mr. Fehlauer & Ms. Charlie,
RTCS Administration.



Registration Information

Kindergarten registration is now open. Please register your child as soon as possible to secure your spot in your home school. Spaces are filling up fast! You can register using the following link: <https://sd33.bc.ca/registration>



Black History Month

Black History Month is a time to celebrate and remember all the ways that Black Canadians have contributed to Canada's history and culture and is observed across Canada every February. It is a month to learn about the experiences, achievements and contributions of peoples of African ancestry. The history of Black History Month dates back to 1926 in the United States. At that time, an African-American historian named Carter G. Woodson founded a week that focused on celebrating the accomplishments of African Americans. In Canada, the Ontario Black History Society first introduced Black History Month to Parliament in December 1995. In 1996, we marked the first year Black History Month was observed in Canada.

White Hatter Presentation

We will be holding a virtual meeting/presentation for all Grade 6-8 students with the White Hatter on Friday, February 23, 2024.

Dress for the Weather

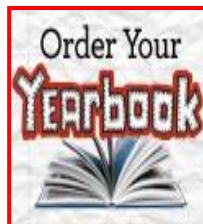


As the weather continues to be cooler, we request that you please send your child with a jacket and other appropriate warm clothing. We will be outside at recess and lunch on most days and want to ensure that everyone is dressed comfortably.

School District #33 Inclement Weather School Closure guidelines are included in this newsletter, as well as information on how District sites and road conditions are assessed.




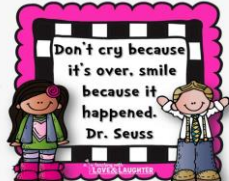
Yearbook Reminder

Just a reminder to order your school yearbook early. The cost of the Yearbook is currently **\$50.00**. Yearbooks can be ordered from the school office. Purchase your yearbook now to avoid possible disappointment in June – we have had yearbooks sell out in past years.



UPCOMING EVENTS



- February 9
 - Div. KP & 34 / Skating @ Chilliwack Coliseum
- February 12-15
 - Interim Report Week (K-8) 
- February 14
 - PAC Student Pancake Breakfast
 - Red & Pink Day (K-8)
 - Div. 23 & 45A / Skating @ Chilliwack Coliseum
- February 16
 - District Wide Non-Instructional Day (School Closed)
- February 19
 - Family Day Statutory Holiday
- February 22
 - Div. 1B, 1D, 12, 2K, 3E & 3W
 - Skating @ Chilliwack Coliseum 
- February 23
 - Casual Friday
 - PAC Book Exchange 
 - White Hatter Presentation (Grades 6-8)
- February 26
 - RTCS PAC Meeting (6:30 pm)
- February 28
 - Anti-Bullying / Pink Shirt Day
 - Div. 73 & 74 / Trip to Burnaby Village
 - Last Day of Grade 6 ADST & Fine Arts Rotation 3
- February 29
 - Start of Grade 6 ADST & Fine Arts Rotation 4
- March 4
 - End of Term 2
- March 5
 - Start of Term 3 

Student Charges

All student charges can now be paid online at <https://www.studentquickpay.com/sd33/>

- Pay selected school charges, view your payment history, and print receipts.
- Order Ravens Phys. Ed. clothing.
- Make payments for all School District students in your family at one time.

Field Trip Consent Forms

All student field trip consent / permission forms, (for all Grades K-8), are now required to be completed electronically – this applies to all field trips with or without a cost to them. Parents simply need to login to their student quick pay account and locate the form under the Field Trip heading. Once you select the field trip form to be completed, fill out the required information, then click the submit button. If there is a cost for the field trip, the charge will automatically be added to your child’s account to be paid. **Note: All fields on the consent/permission form must be fully completed or the form will not be submitted.**

Attached to this newsletter are instructions on how to access Student Quick Pay and complete online field trip consent forms.

Spring Band Concert

Mark your calendar..... our spring Band Concert will be held on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. We will be joined by special guests from Chilliwack Senior Secondary. We hope you will be able to join us.

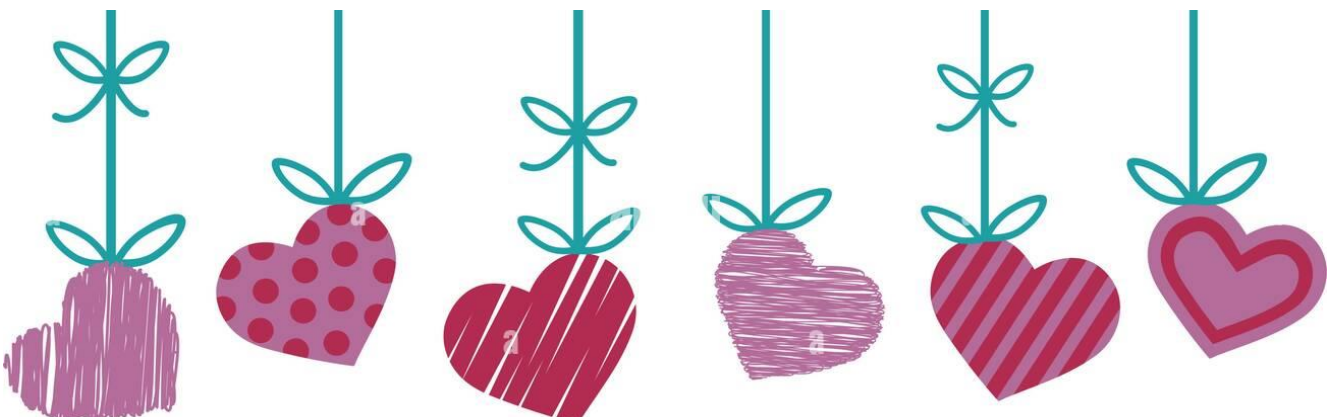
Vandalism



We are seeing increasing incidents of vandalism in the washrooms at school. Please speak with your students about the importance of respecting all spaces within the school.

School Uniforms

We are noticing a number of students coming to school not wearing school uniforms. Please remind your student to wear their uniform each day unless it is a casual Friday or special theme day. For uniform guidelines, please visit the dress code section of our website.



RTCS PAC Update

**Rosedale Traditional Community School
Parent Advisory Council (RTCS PAC)**

Our Mission: "To support, encourage & improve the quality of education and the wellbeing of students in Rosedale Traditional Community School."

February - Pancake Breakfast

Wednesday, February 14th

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED from 6:30 am - 8:30 am



This event needs at least six volunteers to help make pancakes and other foods, serving food and cleaning up when it's done. If you are available to help, please let us know by emailing rtcs-pac@sd33.bc.ca

February - PAC Meeting

Monday, February 26th @ 6:30 pm

In the School Library

Childcare will be provided on-site!



The RTCS PAC meets about once a month throughout the school year. All parents/guardians are members and welcome to attend. PAC meetings are a great way to find out what is happening in the school and across the district.

We are always open to new ideas and would love to meet you!

February - Breakfast Club Program

Every School Morning in February

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED from 7:30 - 8:30 am



We rely on parent volunteers to serve breakfast, it's a great way to give back and start your day!

If you are interested in volunteering, swing by the cafeteria kitchen between 7:30 am - 8:00 am any morning to check out what we do, or join our [RTCS Breakfast Program Facebook Group](#).

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RTCS PAC Update - continued



NEW FEBRUARY DATE!!!

PAC Book Exchange

Book Drop-off: February 1st - 21st

Book Exchange: Friday, February 23rd
(collection boxes are across from the school office)

We are thrilled to announce an engaging and educational Book Exchange Event at Rosedale Traditional School! This event is an excellent opportunity for our students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 to rejuvenate their reading collection and share the joy of reading with their peers.

How It Works:

- 1. Book Drop-Off (Feb 1-21st):** Students are encouraged to bring their gently used books to the school to exchange or donate. Books can be dropped off in a designated box by the front office. If you are exchanging a book, include one exchange form in each book you drop-off, books without an exchange form will be considered a donation. *Exchange form attached for home printing*
- 2. Earn Tickets:** For every book contributed with a book exchange form, students will receive one ticket the day of the Book Exchange. These tickets are your child's passport to a new literary adventure!
- 3. Book Exchange (Feb 23rd):** Students can use their tickets to choose from a variety of books brought in by their peers. It's a fantastic way to refresh their reading material and explore new stories.

Bring your gently enjoyed books and exchange them for new ones! This is a perfect chance for our young readers to discover new interests, dive into different worlds, and develop a lifelong love for reading.

We look forward to seeing our students participate enthusiastically in this event. Let's make it a successful and memorable book exchange!

Exchange Form attached to newsletter for printing at home



FOR INFORMATION ON FUNDRAISERS OR EVENTS FOLLOW:

Facebook Page:
Rosedale Traditional Community School PAC
<https://www.facebook.com/RCTSPAC>

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS FOR PAC

Email: rtcs-pac@sd33.bc.ca
Kristi Dryden, PAC Chairperson

RTCS Book Exchange

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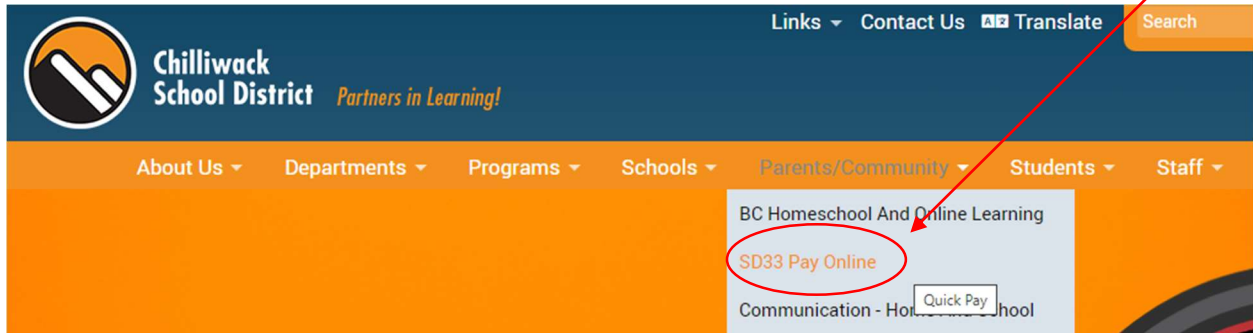
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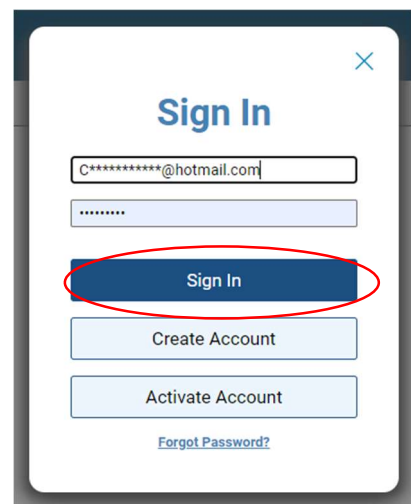
Student Quick Pay & Field Trip Permission Forms

To fill out a field trip form for your child on [Student Quick Pay](#), please follow the steps below:

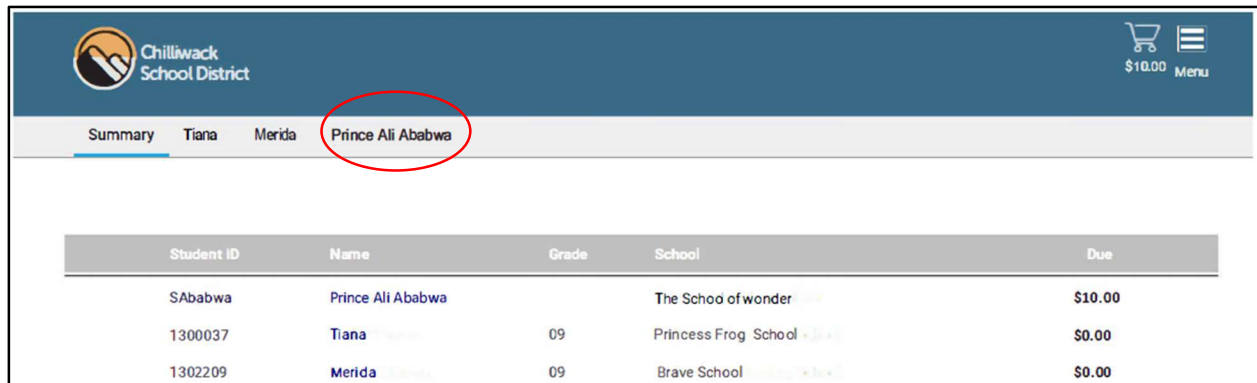
Open Chilliwack School District [website](#). Click on “Parent/Community” then “SD33 Pay Online”.



Click “Sign In”, or create a new account.



You should now see your child’s account. Click on your child’s name.




At the bottom of your screen click on "Field Trips" Then click on your child's permission form.

The screenshot displays the Chilliwack School District parent portal interface. At the top left is the district logo. Below it are navigation tabs: "Due Now" (underlined), "Future Charges", "Paid", and "Completed Forms". A blue header bar reads "The School of Wonder". Underneath, the "2023/2024" section is divided into three categories: "Athletics" (with items "2023/24 Athletic Fee: Carpet Racing" and "2023/24 Carpet Racing Tournament"), "Donation" (with "2023/24 PAC Donation"), and "General" (with "2023/24-Yearbook (Optional)"). At the bottom, a navigation bar includes "Optional Items", "Field Trips" (circled in red), "EVENTS", and "Athletic Permission Forms". Below this is a "FIELD TRIP" button with a bus icon, and a card for "Cirque du Soleil 2023/2024".

Read through the consent form and fill in the required fields. Click Submit.

Once Submitted, the field trip fee will be added to your student quick pay account for payment.

Parental Consent			
Student Last Name	Student First Name	Student ID	Student Care Card #
<input type="text" value="Ababwa"/>	<input type="text" value="Prince Ali"/>	<input type="text" value="123456789"/>	<input type="text"/>
Medical Information (please include any medical or health concerns)			
<input type="text"/>			
Parent/Guardian Name	Parent/Guardian Cell Phone #	Parent/Guardian Work #	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Alternate Contact Name	Alternate Contact Phone #		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
<input type="checkbox"/> I give permission for my student to participate in the field trip above. I understand that my child may be exposed to certain risks while participating in this activity and that accidents and injuries may occur.			
Parent/Guardian Signature			
<div style="border: 1px dotted black; height: 100px;"></div>			
<input type="text" value="dd-MMM-yyyy"/> 			
<input type="button" value="Cancel"/>		<input type="button" value="Submit"/>	

You can now select the charges you would like to pay.

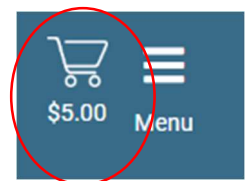
Due Now Future Charges Paid Completed Forms

The School of Wonder

2023/2024

	Fee	Paid	All Adj	Due	In Cart
Field Trip					
Cirque Du Soleil	\$5.00	-	-	\$5.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Then click the "shopping cart" at the top of your page



Enter payment information and hit Submit.

Payment Method

Credit Card

INTERAC® Online

Pay by Credit Card

Cardholder Name

Credit Card Number

Expiration Date
01 (Jan) / 2023

CVD (# on back of card)

Payment Amount: **\$5.00 CDN**



We are privileged to be a multicultural community of staff, students, and families here at Rosedale Traditional Community School. We hope to strengthen our community by learning from each other about the important days we recognize throughout the year. Let's nurture a culture of kindness and acceptance at RTCS!

Multicultural Awareness Calendar for February 2024

Date	Celebrations and Recognitions
5	Tu BiShvat: Commonly known as the "New Year of the Trees", it is marked on the 15 th day of the Jewish month of Shevat (Jewish).
10	Chinese New Year/Lunar New Year: celebration of the beginning of a new year on the traditional lunisolar and solar Chinese calendar. Each new year is associated with one of the twelve different animals of the Zodiac. This year is the year of the dragon.
11	International Day of Girls and Women in Science: A day designated for the dismantling of gender stereotypes – specifically to end institutional and systemic gender imbalances in science.
13	World Radio Day: An international day for recognizing the enduring power of radio to promote the pluralism, representation and diversity that is needed to build a more peaceful and inclusive world.
14	Valentine's Day: A day of romance when people celebrate their love for one another. The origin dates to the 5 th century and is named after a Christian martyr, St. Valentine (international).
15	National Flag of Canada Day: This commemorates the official birth of the Maple Leaf Flag in 1965. Canadians often celebrate by wearing red and white.
18	Maha Shivaratri: A Hindu festival celebrated annually in honour of God Shiva. It is also known as the Great Night of Shiva or Shivaratri and is one of the largest and most significant among the sacred festival nights of India (Hindu).
20	Family Day/Islander Day/Louis Riel Day/Nova Scotia Heritage Day: Family Day is a civic holiday in Alberta, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Ontario, and Saskatchewan which celebrates the importance of family. Islander Day is a civic holiday observed in PEI. Louis Riel Day is a civic holiday observed in Manitoba which commemorates the life of Louis Riel. Nova Scotia Heritage Day is a civic holiday observed in Nova Scotia (Canada).
20	International Mother Language Day: A worldwide annual observance to promote awareness of linguistic and cultural diversity and to promote multilingualism.
21	Losar: (Tibetan New Year). This is a new year's festival, celebrated on the first day of the lunisolar Tibetan calendar, which corresponds to a date in February or March in the Gregorian calendar.
22	Ash Wednesday: Marks the first day of Lent. The name is derived from the symbolic use of ashes to signify penitence (Christian).
22	Lent: A 40-day fasting period (excluding Sundays) observed by Christians in preparation for Easter, ends April 6 (Christian).
22	Pink Shirt Day: An international awareness day to promote anti-bullying (international).
27	Great Lent, or the Great Fast: the most important fasting season in the church year in the Eastern Orthodox Church, Byzantine Rite Lutheran Churches and the Eastern Catholic Churches, which prepares Christians for the greatest feast of the church year, Pascha; ends April 8 (Orthodox Christian).

The RTCS Multicultural Committee welcomes your feedback! Please contact our English Language Learners teacher, Karla Buxton at karla_buxton@sd33.bc.ca.

YOUR'RE INVITED!

CHILLIWACK SECONDARY SCHOOL

GRADE 8

Family Information Night

Thursday, February 22nd

6:00pm - 8:00pm

- School Tours
- Review a standard timetable
- Explanation of CSS Programs & Student life
- Student Expectations
- Q & A

Enter
to Win

CSS SWAG PRIZES!

Upcoming Dates:

Feb 15 - Course Selections at CMS

Feb 21 - Course Selections at ADR

Feb 20 - Course Selections at RTCS

March 1- Forms due, return to your core teacher.



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FEB 15, 2024
6:00 - 7:00PM
Neighbourhood
Learning Centre

PARENT NIGHT

presented by
Learning Services



**Chilliwack
School District**

Rising to Resilience: The Power of Connection



With Dr. Jean Clinton

**Presented by Dr. Jean Clinton BMus MD FRCP(C) Clinical Professor
McMaster University Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural
Neurosciences**

We will explore what it takes to have our children and youth get through difficult and challenging times by looking at how the brain works and develops at different ages. We will look at what we can do as parents of kids to help them develop these strategies. **Spoiler alert: Their relationship with you and caring adults is key!**

- **Date:** February 15, 2024
- **Time:** Doors open at 5:30pm
- **Location:** Neighbourhood Learning Centre

*First 100 people to register will
receive Dr. Clinton's book!*

Register today!

