



May 11th, 2026

Hamilton

Elementary School

5180 Smith Drive

Richmond, BC

V6V 2W5

Trevor Shuto

Principal

Karen Burroughs-Chan

Vice Principal

School Schedule:

8:40 - Warning Bell

8:45 - Classes Begin

10:15 - 10:30 - Recess

11:50 - 12:42 - Lunch

2:45 - Dismissal

**School / Early Warning #
604-668-6514**

Important Dates

May 18th No School - Victoria Day Holiday

May 20th Welcome to Kindergarten for next year K Students

May 22nd Fun Lunch Sushi

May 22nd Spirit Day - Tropical / Beach Day

May 26th Track Meet Day at Minoru for Gr. 4-7

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Universal District Hot Lunch

Thursday

Fun Lunch - Burgers

Friday

No School - Professional Development Day

Hello Hamilton Families,

Newsletters in this format will be one of the main sources of communication that you can expect to receive from the Hamilton office this year.

Welcome to Hamilton. We are looking forward to a great year!

- Staffing Update:** I want to take a moment to let you all know that Ms. Burroughs-Chan will be moving to Brighthouse School as Vice-Principal for the 2026-2027 school year. Please join me in thanking her for all that she has done for our Hamilton Community - Staff, Students and Families. We are very grateful for her time at Hamilton. Ms. Burroughs-Chan will be with us at Hamilton until the end of this school year. I would also like to introduce Mr. Brian Miller who will be coming to us from Cook Elementary School to be our new Vice-Principal starting July 1st 2026. Welcome to Hamilton Mr. Miller.
- Track Meet Information and Consent Forms:** came home today with your child(ren) for Grades 4-7 students.
- Longer Term Important Upcoming Dates:** Grade 7 visit to McNair June 4th, Pro-D Day May 15th, No School May 18th Holiday, Track Meet May 26th, Sports Day June 12th, Grade 7 Farewell June 19th, Last day of school June 25th.
- Safety in our School Zone:** We are asking a favour of everyone in our community. Wanted to ask that we all continue to take good care and caution while driving in our school parking lot and on Gilley Road and Smith Drive around the school property, as well as in our neighbourhoods. Please ensure that we are driving no more than 30kms in our school zone and pay particular attention near the crosswalks around the school as many students and families use these crosswalks to access the school / community center. Thank you for your support as we continue to make safety a priority as we all travel to and from school each day.
- PAC Events/Reminders:** Please scroll down for exciting PAC activities (Fun Lunch, Fundraisers etc.) Thank you for your ongoing support.
- Affordability Fund Reminder:** The Student and Family Affordability Fund is still in place if you require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. Please reach out to Mr. Shuto if you could benefit from this fund.

As always, we thank you for your support and look forward to teaching, learning with, and supporting our Hamilton students throughout the school year!

Sincerely, Karen Burroughs-Chan, Trevor Shuto and the Hamilton Staff

Hamilton Highlights!

Throughout the year, in this section, we will highlight some important fun and learning happening at Hamilton so that families can follow along in our journey!

There is a buzz around Hamilton School this week. We are so proud of our 12 Hamilton students who are representing us at the Heritage Fair today near the Minoru Library. We are looking forward to hearing about their experiences on Monday. Our Grade 4 - 7 students have been participating in Track Attack three times a week for the past few weeks. Some are practicing skills that they have already learned in the past and some are being exposed to new Track and Field skills and activities. We are proud of everyone for participating and for trying their best. A reminder that there will be no school on our Professional Development day on May 15th and on Victoria Day holiday on May 18th. Next week we will be providing families with important dates for the 2026 - 2027 school year to ensure that you are aware of these important dates that may help you plan in advance if needed. Hope you are all well! ~Trevor Shuto

Hamilton Hawks

We continue to work with our school language / acronym at Hamilton to help build expectations and a culture of care and respect at the school.

HAWKS stands for:

H-Helpful A-Accountable W-Wise K-Kind S-Safe

The students are gaining a good understanding of what this means and how they can demonstrate this in their day to day lives. You can help by discussing the language with your children at home as well. Thank you for your support, it is much appreciated!



School District / Hamilton Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct is used at Hamilton and around the District to help remind all of us of the expectations in all School District Buildings as well as when participating in all School District events.

Reconciliation, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Calendar

This is an inclusive calendar, and living document that shares dates of significance, recognition, and celebration for members of the school community. The Multi Faith Society has created a calendar to help highlight dates of significance. Dates for each month will be highlighted here.

MAY 2026 						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Flower Moon 2 Wesak (Buddha Day) Beltane Mental Health Awareness Month (Canada, USA) Asian Heritage Month (Canada) / Asian American, Native Hawaiian + Pacific Islander Herit Month (USA) Jewish Heritage Month (Canada, USA) Full Moon	12th Day of Riddan
3 World Press Freedom Day (UN) Constitution Day (Poland, Japan)	4 Ghambar Malyozarem ends Eve of Lag Ba'Omer Midori no Hi (Greenery Day) (Japan)	5 Lag Ba'Omer National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (Canada) Cinco De Mayo (Mexico) Kodomo no Hi (Children's Day) (Japan) Liberation Day (Netherlands)	6	7	8 Days of Remembrance and Reconciliation (UN) World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day (Int) Victory Day (France)	9 Dianetics Day Days of Remembrance and Reconciliation (UN) World Migratory Bird Day Mazu Festival (China, Taiwan)
10 Mother's Day (Canada, USA)	11	12	13 Our Lady Of Fatima (Portugal)	14 Ascension (W)	15 Sanja Matsuri (Three Shrine Festival) International Day of Families (UN) Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day) (Israel) Independence Day (Paraguay)	16 New Moon
17 Azamat International Day Against Homophobia World Telecommunication and Info Society Day (UN) Constitution Day (Norway)	18 Victoria Day (Canada)	19 Indigenous Awareness Week (Canada)	20 Independence Day (Cuba)	21 Eve of Shavuot Ascension (E) World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue (UN)	22 First Day of Shavuot Int Day for Biological Diversity (UN)	23 Second (Last) Day of Shavuot
24 Declaration of The Bab Pentecost (W)	25 National Missing Children's Day (USA, Canada) Memorial Day (USA) African Liberation Day (Int)	26 Day of Hajj (Day at 'Arafat) Independence Day (Georgia) Independence Day (Guyana)	27 'Id al-'Adha (Festival of Sacrifice)	28 Republic Day (Azerbaijan) (Nepal)	29 Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh Int Day of United Nations Peacekeepers (UN)	30
31 Trinity Sunday (W) Pentecost (E) World No Tobacco Day (WHO) Full Moon (Blue Moon)						

Please see other information, events, and opportunities below!

Hamilton Spirit Days 2026



Friday,
February 6

Red and White
Day

Wear Red and
White to support
Team Canada in
the Olympics!



Friday,
March 6

Crazy Hair
and Hat Day

Style your hair in
a new, fun, and
creative way!



Friday,
April 17

Matching Day

Match with your
classmates on
matching day.
Or wear Hamilton
Hawks gear!



Friday,
May 22

Beach Day

Wear your beach
gear to school:
hats, towels,
sunglasses, flip
flops and more!



Thursday,
June 25

Jersey Day

Wear your
favourite sport or
country jersey to
celebrate the Fifa
World Cup!



Did you know we fundraise all year round? Support your child(ren)'s education by participating in any of the fundraisers below. Raised funds go towards updating tech, new reading materials, art & music supplies, sports equipment and more! Have questions? email us at hamiltonsd38pac@gmail.com.



BOTTLE & CAN DRIVE

Return-it Depot

- Bring your empty bottles and cans to a local depot
- Use the express kiosk to print a sticker tag
- Tag your bag by entering: **604-668-6514**
- Your deposits will be donated!



SHOP & DONATE

FlipGive

- Join our fundraising team with code **KCPJ5J**
- Shop from brands you love
- Each brand donates a percentage back
- Receive a \$5 bonus for on your first purchase!



Shop
here!



WATERPROOF LABELS

Mabel's Labels

- Customize labels for your child(ren's) items
- Order online, search:
Hamilton Elementary PAC (Richmond, BC)
- 20% of all purchases are donated



Shop
here!



CLEANING THAT CARES

Tru Earth

- A less wasteful and more mindful way to do laundry!
- Shop a variety of products for home or travel
- 30% of all purchases are donated back to PAC



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Personal Digital Devices

Personal digital devices should not be used unless permission has been granted. Students are expected to adhere to the Acceptable Use Guidelines and District Code of Conduct.

Read the full policy here: [**sd38.bc.ca/devices**](https://sd38.bc.ca/devices)

