

## October 6 - 10, 2025

Monday Oct 6	Tuesday Oct 7	Wednesday Oct 8	Thursday Oct 9	Friday Oct 10
ABCD	A(PLT)BCD	<i>Semester 1 Informal Learning Updates Emailed Home</i> BADC	B(PLT)ADC	<i>Earthquake &amp; Evacuation Drill</i> ABCD

**DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

Congratulations to Ms. Lekakis and Mr. Taylor and the Social Justice students for organizing the thoughtful events for National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. The school was highlighted in this **Richmond News** [article](#).

**GRADE 8 FUN BOWLING DAY**

Thank you to all of the Grade 8's for their participation and enthusiasm in an amazing day of activities and fun! It was a great day for all!

**INFORMAL LEARNING UPDATES –  
EMAILED ON WEDNESDAY**

All students and parents will receive an Informal Learning Update by email with brief information from each teacher on October 8. These updates provide an early indication of progress made in each course. Equally important, Learning Updates are an opportunity for students to review their goals and set new goals if they are not meeting their expectations. At Boyd, our staff continues to challenge students to set high expectations for themselves and to demonstrate determination in striving for these goals. Setting goals is a good way to help students to reflect on what is important to them, clear their minds, and focus on what type of student they want to be.

**GRADE 12 ASSEMBLY**

Attention All Grade 12 students - there will be an important assembly on Thursday, October 9 during PLT. This is for your transcript and diploma verification. All students must attend this meeting.

**IMMUNIZATION CONSENT FORM**

If your child is in Grade 9 and required to receive an immunization, you would have received a notification this week with clinic and specific immunization information. This notice was sent home via email. Thank you to those who have already completed the consent forms using the online tool. If you have not, please read the email carefully and use the link or QR code provided to give your consent. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact the Public Health Nurse, Kiran Hundal via email at [kiran.hundal1@vch.ca](mailto:kiran.hundal1@vch.ca)

**UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**

Oct 05 World Teachers' Day  
Oct 09: Grade 12 Assembly  
Oct 10: Earthquake & Evacuation drills  
Oct 13: Thanksgiving Day (school closed)  
Oct 15: UVIC Info session

**WORLD TEACHERS' DAY**

On October 5, we celebrate World Teachers' Day, a time to reflect on the remarkable contributions of educators and the essential role they play in guiding the learning and growth of our students. This day reminds us of the impact teachers have, not only in classrooms, but also in shaping the strength and character of our wider community.

**October 1 – Kol Nidrei: קל נדרֵי**

At sundown on October 1, the Jewish community began observance of Kol Nidrei, the solemn opening service of Yom Kippur. We extend our thoughts to those who observed this sacred time of prayer, reflection, and personal renewal. Translation note: Kol Nidrei (Hebrew: קל נדרֵי) means "All Vows." It refers to a traditional prayer recited at the start of Yom Kippur. Pronounced: KOHL NEE-dray.

**October 2 – Yom Kippur: יום כפור**

To our Jewish students, staff, and families, we hope you had a meaningful Yom Kippur, the holiest day in the Jewish calendar. We hope this Day of Atonement brought peace, reflection, and renewal as you fasted, prayed, and gathered with your communities. Translation note: Yom Kippur (Hebrew: יום כפור) means "Day of Atonement." Pronounced: YOHEM kee-POOR.

**October 3, 2025 – Dussehra (Hindu)**

We extend our warmest greetings to members of the Hindu community observing Dussehra. This festival marks the victory of good over evil and is often celebrated with prayer, cultural events, and family gatherings. May this day bring joy, prosperity, and light. Translation note: Dussehra (also known as Vijayadashami) celebrates Lord Rama's victory over Ravana. Pronounced: Duh-SHEH-rah or Doo-SHEH-rah, depending on region.

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