

Jan 26th to Jan 30th 2026

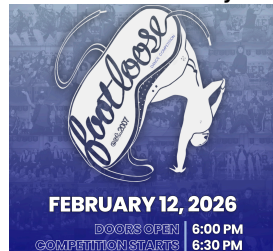
Monday Jan 26 th	Tuesday Jan 27 th	Wednesday Jan 28 th	Thursday Jan 29 th	Friday Jan 30 th
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Pro-D Day School Closed	Start of Semester 2 (Jan 27 – June 19)	Program Planning Information Session – 5pm	Palmer Science Fair	
		No PLT from Jan 28 th to Jan 29 th – REGULAR bell schedule 8:30am – 3pm		

Palmer PLT – Jan 28th and Jan 29th 2026

Due to the start-up of Semester 2 on January 27th, a reminder to parents and students that Personal Learning Time (PLT) will not be held on January 28th and 29th – it will be a regular bell schedule on these two days.

PLT will resume on February 4th and 5th in **homerooms**.

Footloose 2026 Tickets are now officially on SALE!!!!



Come witness the passion, talent, energy, and love for dance as dancers from across Metro Vancouver take the Footloose stage

Tickets for the 17th annual Footloose Hip Hop Dance Competition are officially on sale! Tickets are **\$10** and can be purchased at the Palmer office or from any Palmer Dance Squad member. Tickets will **NOT** be sold at the door, so get yours before they sell out (because they will!!)

Grade 8-11 Program Planning Information Session for Families and Supporting our SWIS Families Session, Jan 28

On Wednesday, January 28th, we will be hosting the following in the main lounge.

5pm to 5:30pm	Program Planning for Palmer Families Grade 8 to 11 - Led by our counsellor, Ms. Ruphi Gill
5:30pm to 6:00pm	Break
6pm to 7pm	Supporting Palmer Swiss Families - Led by our SWIS worker, Mr. Chris Yu

We look forward to seeing our Palmer families then!

Grad 2026 – IMPORTANT



Attention Graduating Griffins! The time has come to sign up for Graduation photos with Artona.

Please visit Artona at <https://artona.com/schools/RCPA> and book your time slot. Graduation photos will take place from February 15th to 21st 2026. All Grads will be measured for their gowns for valedictory during this appointment.

****Spots are filling up fast!****

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jan 26	Pro-D Day – School Closed
Jan 27	Start of Semester 2
Jan 28	Program Planning Information Session
Jan 29	Palmer Science Fair
Feb 3	Collaboration Day
Feb 4	Course Selection Presentations for Students
Feb 5	Meet the Teacher and Gr 7 Parent Information Evening
Feb 6	Semester 1 Final Learning Updates Published
Feb 11	PAC meeting at 7pm
Feb 12	Grade 8-11 2025-26 Course selection forms due
Feb 12	Footloose Dance Competition
Feb 13	Pro-D Day – School Closed

Supporting Our Students

This section of the WAAG will share some information about how families can promote student success at home. As we begin a new semester, encourage your child to use their **agenda** on a daily basis to record homework, upcoming tests, school events, or even what they learned in class that day. When checking their agenda at home each evening, encourage them to tell you about one thing they learned that day.

District PLT on AI



The use of artificial intelligence (AI) continues to expand rapidly, influencing not only education but society as a whole. As AI becomes increasingly integrated into our daily lives, it is important to recognize both its potential as a powerful tool and the limitations and risks it presents. As part of a district-wide initiative, secondary students across Richmond will engage in a series of learning sessions focused on the **safe, ethical, and effective use of artificial intelligence**.

The school district selected Thursdays to be a common PLT day for all high schools with the intention to offer presentations to students across the district. The following district sessions below will take place:

Jan. 8	Getting the Most Out of AI Prompt Engineering
Feb. 12	Getting the Most Out of AI Enhanced Communication
Mar. 5	Getting the Most Out of AI Agents – Productivity
Apr. 2	Fostering Creativity through AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting the Creative Process
May. 21	Fostering Creativity through AI as a Creative Partner: Supporting Creative Production

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