



**EARLY WARNING LINE
FOR ABSENCES**

604-668-6192

Maple Lane WAAG - Jan. 5 - 9

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday	Green Team Meeting (11:50)
Tuesday	Basketball Practice - Open and Boys Teams (8am) Open Library (11:50)
Wednesday	Basketball Practice - Boys Team (11:50)
Thursday	
Friday	Hot Lunch Basketball Practice - Open Team (12:10)

Maple Lane

Elementary School

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Neal Campbell

Principal

School Schedule:

8:45 – Classes Begin

10:10 - 10:25 - Recess

11:50 - 12:42 - Lunch

2:45 - Dismissal

Jan. 13 - PAC Meeting (6-7pm in the Library or online)

Jan 19 - 23 - Hip Hop Dance

Jan. 23 - Hip Hop Dance Performance for Families (2:00pm)

Jan. 30 - PAC Movie Night

Feb. 13 - Pro-D Day

Jan. 14 - Global Play Day Family Teams Activity

Jan. 20 - PAC Hot Lunch

Jan. 26 - Pro-D Day

Feb. 11/12 - Early Dismissal

Feb. 16 - Family Day (No School)



On behalf of the Maple Lane staff, I extend warm wishes to all families for a joyful and restful holiday season, filled with time to connect with loved ones. Our students continue to impress us with their enthusiasm for learning and their active participation in a wide range of school events and activities. This term featured cross-country running, volleyball, the Entrepreneur Fair, the Winter Concert, family team activities, the Kind Mind program and dance party, and many more engaging experiences. As a community, we came together for assemblies, a movie night, and a winter skate at Minoru. I am truly grateful to be part of this vibrant community. Thank you to our students for their curiosity, kindness, and care for one another; to our dedicated staff for their unwavering support; and to our families for their trust and ongoing partnership. Wishing you all a wonderful holiday season and a good start to 2026!

Winter Solstice: Winter Solstice is a time for celebrations and festivals. It is one of the most important days of the calendar in many cultures. Our ancestors recognized the importance of this change in our planet and often marked it with festivals, feasts, and more. Some of the festivals that occur around the time of the Winter Solstice are: Yule, Saturnalia, Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanzaa, St. Lucia's Day, Lohri, Shab-e Yalda Night, Toji, Soyal, Inti Raymi, Dong Zhi, Shalako and more.



Happy Hanukkah

Hanukkah (also spelled Chanukah or Chanukkah) is a Jewish holiday that lasts for eight nights. It is also known as the Festival of Lights. In 2025, Hanukkah is being celebrated from December 14 - 22. To learn more about Hanukkah, you can [visit Britannica Kids](#).

Merry Christmas

Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ and is one of the most important religious holidays for Christians. Over time, it has grown beyond its religious roots and become a season of joy, gift-giving, and general festivity for many people. Officially observed on December 25, the celebrations often start days earlier and can continue to the New Year. To learn more about Christmas, [click here](#).





Hi Maple Lane families,

This winter break, you might notice that your child has brought home more library books than usual. This is in hopes to continue to cultivate and build the joy of reading with our students. With more book options, kids have access to a diverse selection of books that they can read, enjoy and connect with over winter break. Reading can be enjoyed in a variety of ways: reading independently, reading with a sibling, reading to a stuffy, reading to your pet (as long as the pet doesn't eat the book, lol) and reading with a family member.

Students also have access to our digital library database called Destiny. Here, students can access digital books such as Tumblebooks, National Geographic Kids and more!

Please visit destiny.sd38.bc.ca select Maple Lane-->select catalog --> select digital resources tile-->enter username:38maple password:oval -->select student

Also, don't forget to visit the Richmond Public Library (RPL) with your child over winter break. Along with books, RPL offers many fun and engaging classes that your child can take part in. To find out more information, here is the link below:

<https://www.yourlibrary.ca/>

With the link above, you can find out the holiday hours of your local Richmond Public Library along with what kids programs and materials are available.

Please have your child bring back their library books during the week of January 5th, 2026.

Happy Holidays and Happy Reading!
Mrs. Sandhu

COMING SOON! MAPLE LANE SPIRIT WEAR



			
			
			
	Please note, the pricing listed are estimates only and will be finalized after Winter Break. Ordering will be open from approximately January 6–16. After Winter Break, families will receive an email with the ordering link and full details. Blank samples will be available in the school lobby during the ordering window for students to try on.		



Stocking Up on Spare Clothing

At Maple Lane, we keep a cupboard of clothing that can be lent to students when they need a change of clothes. If you have any extra pants or shirts that your child has outgrown, please bring them to the office. We will also be accepting new underwear and socks. These are especially important to have on hand for our primary students. Thank you!

Hip Hop Dance Jan 19 - 23, 2026

Maple Lane will have a week of Hip Hop dance lessons with Jess Dance. Students will learn full dance routines and will perform for the school and for families on January 23. The session for families is at 2:00pm (to be confirmed). Thank you to the PAC for providing the funding for this wonderful learning opportunity. Our students will have a blast.

JESS DANCE PRESENTS: HIP HOP WITH SERENA TEN AT MAPLE LANE ELEMENTARY

Jan 19th - 23rd 2026



HIP HOP



www.jessdance.com

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JANUARY LUNCH ORDER

PAC News

The Maple Lane PAC is always looking for more participants. You can find out more through the school website: <https://maplelane.sd38.bc.ca/parents> or by attending a future PAC meeting.

Next PAC Meeting: Tuesday, January 13, 2026, 6-7 pm. This meeting will be in person in the library. An online option will be available. All Maple Lane parents are members of the PAC and are welcome to attend meetings. We hope to see many parents there.



Updated Website

Have a look at our updated website: <https://maplelane.sd38.bc.ca/>. You can choose your preferred language on the homepage and it will translate attached documents such as this newsletter for you!

