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## Newsletter #6 – February 2026

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The first month back after the winter break has been a busy and positive one, with students settling back into routines and classrooms. As we move into February, I am looking forward to the many meaningful events and activities planned for the month.

I always look forward to February, as we wrap up the month with our Pink Shirt Day and Kindness Walk on February 25. Please stay tuned for more details, as a portal will be sent to all parents later in the month. We will also be hosting our Saleema Noon workshops during the second week of February, please see the parent portal for more details.

The general phase of kindergarten registration is now open and will close on **February 3**. Please note that **Grade 8 online registration for the 2026–27 school year** will open on **February 10 at 12:00 noon**.

Term 2 conferences are coming up in the first week of March. A portal will be sent once conference sign-ups go live (approximately mid-February). Please remember that students and at least one parent must be in attendance. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

### UPCOMING DATES:

February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kindergarten General Phase Ends  
February 4<sup>th</sup> – Saleema Noon Online Parent Session (6:30-7:30pm)  
February 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> – Saleema Noon Workshops  
February 10<sup>th</sup> – Grade 8 Registration (noon)  
February 13<sup>th</sup> – Non-Instructional Day  
February 16<sup>th</sup> – Family Day (No School in Session)  
February 25<sup>th</sup> – Pink Shirt Day/Kindness Walk

### GRADE 8 REGISTRATION FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration is completed online through the Parent Portal and opens February 10, 2026 at 12:00 PM (noon) and closes February 24, 2026 at 11:59 PM.

The form will automatically show your child's secondary catchment school based on your address. Please confirm your Parent Portal account has your current address.

Address changes must be made at the school office with two supporting documents. Updates will appear in the portal the next day.

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION DATES FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

Children registering for Kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before December 31, 2026. Registration dates are posted on the School District website, and all registrations are completed through the Parent Portal. Registration opens at 12:00 pm (noon) on the first day of each phase.

Enviro Sibling Registration – January 5-8, 2026  
Sibling Registration – January 6-10, 2026  
Enviro Registration – January 7-9, 2026  
Choice Registration – January 14-19, 2026  
General Registration – January 28 -February 3, 2026  
Late Registration – February 18-July 24, 2026  
Open Registration – August 19-September 18, 2026



### PINK SHIRT DAY – FEBRUARY 25, 2026

On February 25, our school will recognize Pink Shirt Day, a national day of action against bullying. Pink Shirt Day began when students took a stand after witnessing bullying based on what someone was wearing. Today, it represents kindness, inclusion, and standing up for others.

Students and staff are encouraged to wear pink to show their commitment to creating a safe, respectful, and welcoming school community where everyone belongs. Pink Shirt Day is an opportunity to talk with students about empathy, respect, and the importance of speaking up when they see bullying.

### EARLY PICKUP

We kindly ask families to avoid picking students up during the final part of the school day whenever possible. These early pick-ups interrupt classroom learning and place extra strain on office staff who must coordinate each unexpected dismissal. If an early pick-up is necessary, please contact the office in advance. Thank you for helping us keep the end of the day calm and organized for all students.

### DROPPING OFF ITEMS – REMINDER

Reminder: Once students have gone to class, any items being dropped off (lunches, water bottles, homework, etc.) must be brought to the school office. For safety and minimal disruption, parents/guardians are not permitted to go directly to classrooms during instructional time. Thank you for your cooperation.

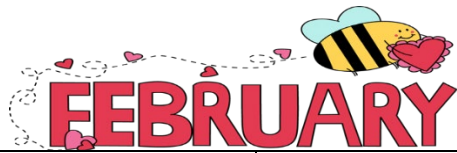
## SCHOOL CLOSURE DECISION: SNOW

The decision to close schools due to accumulating snowfall is the responsibility of the superintendent, who must balance the safety of students, staff, and parents with the need to provide learning. The decision is not taken lightly and is the result of a carefully thought-out process that is reviewed after each experience and refined if necessary.



The decision to close schools is made by 6:30 a.m. Details are:  
Posted on the SD42 Twitter feed (@sd42news);  
Posted on the SD42 Facebook feed (SD42Facebook);  
Shared with News 1130, CKNW;  
Posted on the SD42 Website ([www.sd42.ca](http://www.sd42.ca))

Please note: The district supports individual and family decisions regarding safety. Parents/guardians have primary responsibility for their children's safe travel to school. If, for any reason, there are personal concerns about the ability to travel safely to school, other arrangements should be made.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>2</b> 7:30 - Boys BB Practice  12:00 - Div. 9 – Curling  12:15 - Girls BB Practice  3:00 - Rec Boys BB Home Game vs Eric Langton	<b>3</b> 7:30 - Boys BB Practice  12:15 - Girls BB Practice  12:15 - Intermediate Chess Club  2:30 - Girls BB Away Game vs. Glenwood	<b>4</b>  12:15 - Crochet Club  3:00 - Comp Boys Home BB game vs. Harry Hooge  6:30 - Parent Zoom – Saleema Noon	<b>5</b> 7:30 - Rec Boys BB Practice  12:00 - Gr.3 Chess Club  2:30 - Girls BB Practice	<b>6</b>  <b>SPIRIT DAY – “MATCHY MATCHY” DAY</b>
<b>9</b>  Saleema Noon Workshops  7:30 - Boys BB Practice  12:15 - Girls BB Practice  3:00 - Rec Boys BB Away Game vs. Kanaka	<b>10</b> Saleema Noon Workshops  7:30 - Boys BB Practice  12:15 - Girls BB Practice  12:15 - Intermediate Chess Club  2:30 - Girls BB Home Game vs Blue Mountain	<b>11</b> Saleema Noon Workshops  10:45 – Div 21 Seniors visit  11 - Div 9/10 swimming field trip  12:15 - Crochet Club  3:00 - Comp Boys BB Home Game vs. Laity View	<b>12</b> 7:30 - Boys BB Practice  12:00 - Gr.3 Chess Club  2:30 - Girls BB Practice	<b>13</b>  <b>Non-Instructional Day No School</b>
<b>16</b>  <b>Family Day No School</b>	<b>17</b> 7:30 - Comp Boys BB Practice  Div 6,7,11 Coding workshop in-class  12:15 - Girls BB Practice  12:15 – Intermediate Chess Club  2:30 - Girls BB Home Game vs Yennadon	<b>18</b> Div 8,9,10 Coding workshop in-class  12:15 – Crochet Club  3:00 - Comp Boys BB Away game vs. éasqanelə	<b>19</b> 7:30 - Rec Boys BB Practice  8:45 Div 12,13 Skating  9am - Div 3,5-Play at THSS  12:00 Gr.3 Chess Club  2:30 - Girls BB Practice	<b>20</b>  <b>SPIRIT DAY – DISNEY DAY</b>  12:45 Div. 9, 16 & 20 Skating
<b>23</b> 7:30 - Boys BB Practice  12:15 - Girls BB Practice  3:00 - Rec Boys BB Home Game vs Edith McDermott	<b>24</b> 7:30 - Boys BB Practice  12:15 - Girls BB Practice  12:15 – Intermediate Chess Club  2:30 - Girls BB Home Game vs MRC	<b>25</b>  <b>Kindness/Pink Shirt Day</b>  12:15 – Crochet Club	<b>26</b> 12:00 Gr.3 Chess Club  3:30 - Girls BB Field Trip to SFU	<b>27</b>  Div 9, 16 & 20 to Space Centre





# Homestay Program

*Experience The World,  
Host An International Student*



## Homestay Program Overview

Maple Ridge - Pitt Meadows School District offers Academic and Cultural Programs to students from around the world. The homestay component of our programs is an excellent opportunity for our students to learn English and experience Canadian culture.

Maple Ridge - Pitt Meadows School District has had an active and successful Homestay Program since 1994.

## The Host Families

The main role of the host family is to provide a safe, and comfortable home environment where the student feels encouraged to use their English skills. Host Families are expected to provide a furnished bedroom and meals for the student.

## Application Procedure

Please visit our website and apply online.

For more information go to [inted.sd42.ca](http://inted.sd42.ca)

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### **Online Survey: 2026/27 Proposed District School Calendars**

The proposed district school calendars for 2026/27 (Regular including Online Learning; and Kanaka Creek Elementary) were presented to the Board of Education at the January 14, 2026, public meeting and are now out for public consultation.

To review the proposed calendars, visit <https://www.sd42.ca/proposed-district-calendars/>

To provide feedback on the proposed calendars, visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2026-27-Proposed-Calendars>

The survey will be open from **Thursday, January 15**, to **Monday, February 16, 2026** (4:00 pm).

RPM HOCKEY



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# PITT MEADOWS HOCKEY ACADEMY

SEPTEMBER 2026 - JUNE 2027

Offered in partnership with RPM Hockey Company,  
Pitt Meadows Secondary & School District 42



## New Parent - Zoom Meeting

January 26 2026 at 7:00 pm

Meeting ID: 813 0651 1876

Passcode: 762135

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## ABOUT THE ACADEMY



RPM & Pitt Meadows Secondary have developed a Ministry Approved program that provides students with the opportunity to obtain academic credit and pursue their sport of choice.

Academy is (coed, inclusive & available for all skill levels)  
**Available for players Grade 8-12**

**RPM has been the popular choice of Parents, Players & Minor Hockey for over 45 years and Public Education for 22 years!** That says a lot about the work we do day in and day out, season after season and year after year!



## 2026 HOCKEY ACADEMY INCLUDES:

- Academy Format - Linear - September 2026 to June 2027
- Inside the school timetable
- Students can play minor hockey & school sports
- Professional Instruction
- On Ice Development
- Sport Specific Training
- Tactical/Game Play
- Performance Testing
- Guest Speakers & Workshops
- Complimentary Soft Goods
- Special Events
- Volunteer Experience
- Personal Growth & Leadership

## ACADEMY COST \$2120

Once you have registered online at [www.rpmhockey.com](http://www.rpmhockey.com) you must also notify the school that you would like to join their hockey academy.

## Contact:

Pitt Meadows Secondary	Bryan Bailey	<a href="mailto:bryan_bailey@sd42.ca">bryan_bailey@sd42.ca</a>
Hockey Academy	Craig Millin	<a href="mailto:craig@rpmhockey.com">craig@rpmhockey.com</a>
Academy Administration	Holly Rogers	<a href="mailto:holly@rpmhockey.com">holly@rpmhockey.com</a>
Academy Administration	Sam Porta	<a href="mailto:sam@rpmhockey.com">sam@rpmhockey.com</a>



[www.rpmhockey.com](http://www.rpmhockey.com)

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*My son went from Bantam C to Bantam AAA and he not only brings home great marks, he looks forward to going to school every day.*

**Building great kids in the classroom, on ice and in their community!**



# SRT HOCKEY ACADEMY

SEPTEMBER 2026 - JUNE 2027

Offered in partnership with RPM Hockey Company,  
SRT Secondary & School District 42



## New Parent - Zoom Meeting

January 27 2026 at 7:00 pm

Meeting ID: 815 2686 2951

Passcode: 990301

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RPM & SRT Secondary have developed a Ministry Approved program that provides students with the opportunity to obtain academic credit and pursue their sport of choice.

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## Contact:

Srt Secondary	Lesley McPherson	<a href="mailto:lesley_mcperson@sd42.ca">lesley_mcperson@sd42.ca</a>
Hockey Academy	Craig Millin	<a href="mailto:craig@rpmhockey.com">craig@rpmhockey.com</a>
Academy Administration	Holly Rogers	<a href="mailto:holly@rpmhockey.com">holly@rpmhockey.com</a>
Academy Administration	Sam Porta	<a href="mailto:sam@rpmhockey.com">sam@rpmhockey.com</a>



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# Get care now

Speak to a registered nurse or registered dietitian from Fraser Health Virtual Care

**1-800-314-0999**

10 a.m. to 10 p.m., 7 days a week

## Our team can:



Give health care  
and nutrition  
advice



Connect you to a  
medical interpreter



Review the full history  
of your Fraser Health  
medical record



Connect you to an  
Urgent and Primary  
Care Centre



Guide you to  
mental health  
services



Connect you to  
other programs  
and services



[fraserhealth.ca/VirtualCare](https://fraserhealth.ca/VirtualCare)

Catalogue #268744 (May 2025)  
To order: [patienteduc@fraserhealth.ca](mailto:patienteduc@fraserhealth.ca)



## **Fraser Health Newsletter: Support your child's mental health**

Positive mental health allows us to enjoy our lives and can help children and youth weather the normal ups and downs of life. It plays a critical role in the healthy development of children and youth, supporting their ability to build healthy relationships and succeed in school.

### **How can parents support positive mental health?**

Parents can foster positive mental health through strong and caring relationships with their children.

- Self-care – focus on doing something for yourself, even if just for a few minutes.
- Build routines – consistent schedules, such as meal, sleep and play times help children feel safe.
- Connect – talk and listen to their feelings and experiences.
- Be active together – take a walk and build physical activity into family time.
- Take notice – encourage and praise the positive behaviours and choices your children make.
- Keep learning – encourage your child to learn from both positive and negative experiences.
- Be present, not perfect – give your time, your encouragement and your presence.

Get more information about positive mental health for children and youth [here](#).

Sometimes parents aren't sure how to talk about mental health.. Learn more about [tips for how to talk to your child or teen about mental health](#).

Family transitions like separation and divorce can be tough and can impact mental health. To learn more and access practical resources visit [FamiliesChange.ca](#).

Need help? Find out services, programs and resources for your child and/or youth on Fraser Health's [Child and youth mental health](#) page.

Remember, you can get fast and reliable health advice from registered nurses with emergency experience who have access to your child's personal health record.

Contact them via phone at 1-800-314-0999 or web chat. Learn more at [Fraserhealth.ca/VirtualCare](https://fraserhealth.ca/VirtualCare).

# 2026 Winter Family Fun Day & Market

The Maple Ridge Lions Club  
invites all Families to join them  
for a **FREE** fun filled day.

Vendors, Crafts, Games  
Prizes & Special Guests

Family  
Treasure Hunt



Join the **Decorated Umbrella Competition Parade**



**Family Day - Monday, February 16**

10:00am - 3:00pm

Albion Fair Grounds - Commercial Building  
23448 105 Ave, Maple Ridge



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Enjoy Lunch at our Lions Concession



**DO GOOD, HAVE FUN  
MAKE FRIENDS  
BE PART OF SOMETHING GREAT!**

*Join the Maple Ridge Lions.*

contact: [lionsmapleridge@gmail.com](mailto:lionsmapleridge@gmail.com)

# Healthy Relationships

The fundamentals of any adult relationship, including the foundations, needs, wants, and communication skills. Register now to learn these and much more.

Dates: Saturday and Sunday  
Feb 14th-15th, 2026  
Time: 9am-3pm  
Cost: \$90 per participant

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT  
THE FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPPORT CENTRE  
22554 LOUGHEED HWY, MAPLE RIDGE  
(604) 467 - 6055  
REG@FAMILYED.CA





Board meeting highlights from the January 14, 2026, public meeting can be found on the district website: <https://www.sd42.ca/assets/media/2026-01-14-Board-Meeting-Highlights.pdf>