



October Newsletter 2025



The 2025 academic year has begun with a successful and positive start. Students have settled into their routines, and classrooms are filled with learning, enthusiasm, and growth.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all parents and guardians for your continued support and partnership. Your cooperation plays a vital role in helping us build a nurturing and enriching environment for our students.

With Waheguru's blessings, we look forward to a productive and successful year ahead for our entire school community.

🍂 Wishing everyone a joyful and vibrant Fall season!

Warm regards,
Sikh Academy Administration

Stay Up to Date

Visit our website www.sikhacademy.ca for important resources, the latest information, and updates. You can also explore our Instagram [@sikhacademybc](https://www.instagram.com/sikhacademybc) to view student performances and events.



Important Dates

Oct 1 Wed	KG Self Introductions
Oct 2 Thu	Poetry Recitals Grade 1-3
Oct 3 Fri	Theme – based Storytelling (Grades 4-7)
Oct 7 Tue	Fire Drill
Oct 13 Mon	Thanksgiving Day (No School)
Oct 14 Tues	FSA (Grades 4 and 7)
Oct 17 Fri	Bandi Chhor Divas
Oct 20 Mon	Photo Day
Oct 23 Thu	Spellathon
Oct 24 Fri	Pro D day (No School)
Oct 27-31 Mon-Fri	Halloween Spirit Week
Oct 31 Fri	Halloween

Traffic Safety

NO PARKING IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL – Please maintain school zone speed while driving in front of the school. Due to the high volume of vehicles during the start and end of the school day, and to ensure the safety of everyone, do not stop in front of the school. Please park your car on the east side of Nishaan Sahib and walk to drop off or pick up your child from the school.

Fall Clothing Reminder

- Wear the official uniform, clean and neat
- Cover your head with a patka, dastaar, or scarf
- Layer with long sleeves or sweaters under the uniform
- Jackets/coats may be worn for warmth
- Closed-toe shoes are preferred
- Dress according to the weather forecast



Uniforms are available for purchase at the school only on Friday



Hot Meal Schedule

Monday	Veggie Sandwich & Fries - \$5
Tuesday	Free Hot Lunch for All Students
Wednesday	Veggie Burger & Fries - \$6
Thursday	Pasta with Garlic Bread - \$5
Friday	Pizza (Veggie or Cheese) - 2 Slices for \$5

Diwali & Bandhi Chhor Divas - October 20, 2025

Sikh Academy extends warm greetings to all families on the auspicious occasions of Diwali and Bandi Chhor Divas. 

Let us celebrate the victory of light over darkness and freedom over oppression with kindness, joy, and reflection.

Students will participate in morning Kirtan during the assembly and enjoy a diva decoration activity as part of our celebrations.

Wishing everyone peace, prosperity, and Waheguru's blessings! 

🎉 Spirit Week 2025 - October 27-31

Join us in celebrating Spirit Week at Sikh Academy from Monday, October 27 to Friday, October 31!

Each day will feature a fun theme and activities to promote school spirit, friendship, and cultural values.

Schedule:

- **Mon, Oct 27 – Chardi Kala Day:** Wear bright colors; gratitude & positivity discussions.
- **Tue, Oct 28 – Superhero Day:** Dress as your hero; share what inspires you (no masks/weapons).
- **Wed, Oct 29 – Team Up Day:** Twin with friends; fall door & pumpkin decorating.
- **Thu, Oct 30 – Pajama Day**
- **Fri, Oct 31 – Halloween Day:** Costume parade & potluck (nut-free items only).

Let's make this week full of joy, learning, and community spirit! 

For questions or potluck sign-up, please contact your child's teacher or the school office



Fundraising Updates

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all families for their kindness and generosity. Your support helps our students learn the value of compassion and community service.

Flood Relief Fund: \$101.25 raised

Terry Fox Run: \$359 raised in support of cancer research

Langar Donations: \$247 collected

Cold & Flu Season

To keep our school healthy:

- Encourage regular handwashing
- Keep children home if they're unwell
- Remind them to cover coughs and sneezes

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and healthy environment for all.

After-School Clubs – Registration Open!

We're excited to announce our After-School Clubs for the 2025–26 school year!

These programs give students the chance to explore new interests, build skills, and have fun after school.

 To register your child, please visit the school office. Clubs run after school until 4:00 PM on the days listed below.

Club Schedule:

- STEM Club – Tuesday (Room 308)
- French Club – Monday (Room 301)
- Debate Club – Thursday (Room 302)
- Drama Club – Monday (Room 310)
- Homework Club – Friday (Room 202 – K-3, Room 255 – Grades 4–8)
- Cooking Club – Thursday (Cafeteria)
- Art & Craft Club – Friday (Room 204)
- Tabla / Kirtan / Tanti Saaj – Tuesday & Thursday (Respective Classrooms)
- Punjabi Club – Tuesday & Thursday (Room 305)
- Gurbani Club – Monday & Wednesday (Gurdwara Sahib)

We look forward to a season of creativity, learning, and fun!

Parent Advisory Committee 2025-26

Message from the PAC

Dear Sikh Academy Families,

PAC Election Update

Thank you to all families who attended the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) election on September 23rd. Your participation helps strengthen our school community and supports meaningful collaboration between parents and staff.

We're pleased to announce the 2025–26 PAC Executive Committee:

- Chair: Mr. Amrit Singh Chahal
- Co-Chair: Mr. Jasdeep Singh
- Treasurer: Mr. Dave Singh
- Co-Treasurer: Ms. Ashley Wahid
- Secretary: Ms. Susan Randhawa
- Co-Secretary: Ms. Susie Pandher
- Community Engagement Coordinator: Mr. Sony Jhawar
- Assistant Community Engagement Coordinator: Mr. Charanjeev Suri
- Member: Mr. Hitpal Singh

We look forward to a productive year ahead filled with family engagement, events, and community initiatives. Thank you for your continued support!



The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) would like to extend heartfelt thanks to all parents for your support, trust, and participation. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve our school community and are looking forward to even greater parent engagement this year as we work together to support our students and school initiatives.

■ Stay Connected:

If you're not yet part of the Parent's Group WhatsApp Chat, please email us at pac2023@sikhacademy.ca to be added.

📅 General Meeting:

We are currently finalizing a date for our first General PAC Meeting with all parents. Details will be shared soon — stay tuned!

🎃 Upcoming Event:

Planning is underway for our Halloween Event later this month. More details will follow shortly!

💡 Volunteers Welcome:

Parents interested in helping with PAC events are invited to join the Volunteer Group within the Parent Community WhatsApp Chat. Your support makes a big difference!

⚽ Soccer Program:

Our soccer program is now well underway! Families who wish to join on a monthly basis can pick up registration forms from the front desk.

⭐ Thank you once again for your involvement and encouragement. We're honored to serve our school community and look forward to a year full of collaboration, fun, and meaningful engagement!

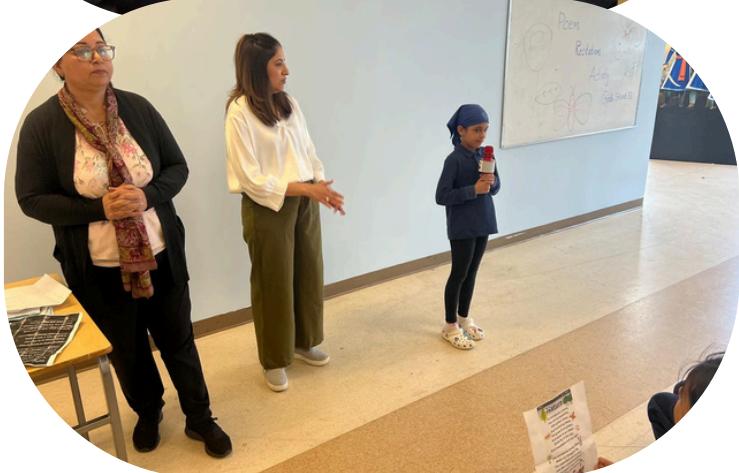
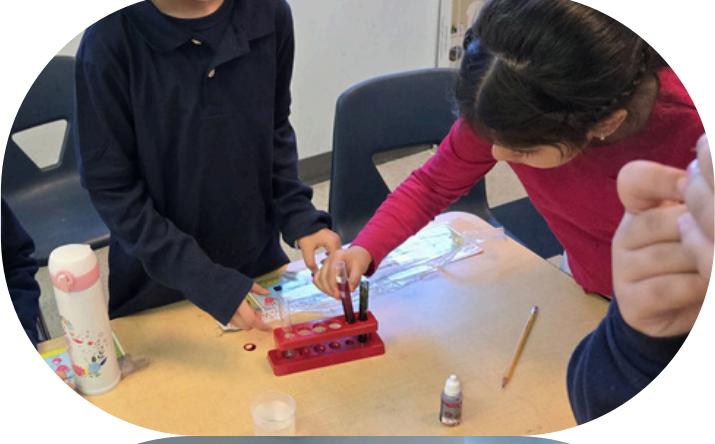
Warm regards,

Sikh Academy PAC

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STUDENT BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION PROGRAM



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM