

# Langley Jundamental Elementary School

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Langley Fundamental Elementary website: http://www.sd35.bc.ca/schools/lfe/ default.aspx School District #35 (Langley) website: www.sd35.bc.ca

Principal: Mrs. Deah Paton Vice-Principal: Mr. Casey Durnin

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Tricia Mein P.A.C. President: Mrs. Tamara Johnston

Date: Thursday, December 9, 2021

Dear Parents:

Yesterday our community learned that Mr. Durnin will be leaving our school as he has been assigned to vice-principal at Yorkson Creek Middle School. Although we are happy for him, we are also saddened by his departure. He will definitely be missed by all!

Our school pursues character traits such as perseverance, responsibility, kindness and compassion. This Christmas season has been such an excellent example of this. A huge thank you to everyone who pitched in to help provide a hamper for a needy family; we were able to bless 22 families this season.

Our Grade 5 classes made gingerbread houses again this year. Students were able to buy tickets to vote for their favourite design with all proceeds going to the local food bank. I am pleased to let you know that we raised \$1,036.85! Also, some of our Grade 4 students made Christmas cards for the Canadian Armed Forces who were brought in to help with the flooding in Abbotsford and surrounding areas.

An extra special thank you to all the Kindergarten families for participating in the Stocking Stuffers for Seniors! Mrs. Wright and Miss Rogers delivered 80 gift bags to London Drugs Tuesday after school and their cars were overflowing! London Drugs had to make extra room for them all in the receiving department! The receiving department could hardly believe their eyes because the gifts for the seniors just kept rolling in! Thank you very, very much for helping to make the Christmas season brighter for some of Langley's seniors. Sincerely, LFES Kindee Teachers. Global News came out to do a feature as well. Here's the link if you'd like to watch it:

https://globalnews.ca/video/8432294/langley-kindergarten-classes-give-back-to-seniors-this-holiday-season



So many examples of the generous hearts in this community. Many thanks!

## **Reminders for Parents**

#### Information About School Status During Inclement Weather

Snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in Langley School District. So, where do you go to get information about the status of schools during periods of inclement weather? If you are able to access the internet via computer or smartphone, current information about Langley schools can be accessed on all school websites or <a href="www.sd35.bc.ca">www.sd35.bc.ca</a>. Updates are also posted to Twitter @LangleySchools and Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict">www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict</a>. If you don't have internet connectivity but your phone is working, call a relative or friend in an area that has not been affected by the storm and ask them to check the district website for you. Local radio stations are also informed of school status in Langley. Tune in to CKWX 1130AM, CKNW 980AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7 or CBC 690AM or 88.1FM for updates.

Please note that Langley District schools are all considered 'open' until a decision to close is required. Decisions on school closures are usually made by 6:30am. As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school based on safety and individual circumstances. If you feel it is unsafe for you or your child to travel to or attend an open school for any reason, please keep your child home and report an absence to the school.

The District and schools use SchoolMessenger to communicate with families. It is a notification service for parental outreach, emergency broadcasts, school information, student attendance alerts, secure file delivery, and other communications for education. If your family's contact information is up to date in MyEDBC you will automatically receive emails. If you want to take advantage of the text message notification service (optional), please follow the instructions <a href="here">here</a>. An infographic about the tool is <a href="here">here</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact your school administrator.

# **Learning Commons News**

PAWS and READ! Home Reading Program

Keep reading over the break and recording on the December calendar. The January calendar will be coming home next week, and all December calendars may be returned after January 4th.

Langley Book Of The Year

Congratulations to Nathan H. and Ella P. for qualifying for our celebration lunch in May.

Reading Link Challenge

This week we have started to introduce the 6 books that have been identified for this reading competition by the Fraser Valley Regional Libraries. This program is for our grade 4 and 5 students and it is an optional program. Students will be in teams of 6 students and will be quizzed on the 6 books. The in-school competition will take place likely in March, and our winning team will go on to participate in the Langley challenge

# **Home and School Working Together for Student Success**

against other Langley schools. For more information about these books please visit: https://www.readinglinkchallenge.ca/titles.html A parent letter will also be coming home before the break that explains more about this program.

#### Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you for supporting our yearly fundraiser. It was a great success, and our library benefits from new books. We spent \$178 of our profits on books from the fair, and we still have \$1772.48 for new books. A huge thank you to the 18 volunteers who helped throughout the fair. We look forward to purchasing new books this January.

# **Upcoming Events**

Friday, December 10 Wear your Christmas collars, sweaters and hats! First

term report cards published/Hot lunch

Friday, December 17 Last day prior to Christmas break

Tuesday, January 4 Schools reopen

#### **House Points**

	Hallowe'en	Wear Plaid/Flannel	Total
Canucks	470	325	795
Canadians	455	335	790
Whitecaps	490	370	860
BC Lions	480	375	855

Tomorrow is our Christmas Colors spirit day.

Mrs. Paton



November 17, 2021

For Immediate Release

#### New Langley School District Leadership Team

Langley, BC – The Langley School District is pleased to announce the appointments of Edward (Woody) Bradford as Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Lisa Lainchbury and Marcello Moino as Assistant Superintendents of Schools effective on January 4, 2022.

The positions were filled following a search and interview process undertaken to replace the role vacated by Mal Gill who will become Superintendent in the new year. This shift in positions stems from the upcoming departure of Superintendent Gord Stewart who will be retiring after more than 30 years of service in the Langley School District.

"We are pleased to welcome Ms. Lainchbury and Mr. Moino to our leadership team. They both bring a tremendous amount of diverse school experiences, professional development of staff, and relationship building with students and families which will benefit our District," says Mal Gill, Deputy Superintendent of Schools. "We are excited to continue working with Mr. Bradford in this new capacity, as his educational leadership and operations management will serve our fast-growing District well in the future."

Lisa Lainchbury currently serves as the District Principal responsible for Early Learning and has worked closely with community partner groups and administrators to develop a Vision for Early Learning. She was previously responsible for the Safe Schools portfolio, liaising with community partners and all school administrators, and served as the Principal at James Kennedy Elementary from 2017 to 2020. She will continue with her Early Learning responsibilities over the next several months while working to transition to her new role as Assistant Superintendent.

Prior to coming to the Langley School District, Ms. Lainchbury served as Principal at Dormick Park Elementary in the Abbotsford School District, and as Vice-Principal of the Abbotsford School of Integrated Arts. She has over two decades of experience as both a teacher and administrator and is very excited to be taking on this new challenge at the District level.

Marcello Moino has worked as a teacher, vice-principal, and principal in the Langley School District since 1995. He transitioned to administration in 2006 as Vice-Principal at Brookswood Secondary before being named Principal at BSS in 2013. He has served as Principal of Langley Secondary School since 2017, where he has overseen the recently completed renovation/re-build of the facility while maintaining the culture and history of Langley's oldest secondary school, working closely with ya:yəstəl' to re-brand LSS. Mr. Moino's experience and strong relationships within the District will serve him well as he undertakes this new challenge.

For more information or to arrange an interview please contact:

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# Talitha Roffel FINE ART ART CLASSES

FOR KIDS & TEENS!

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#### WINTER SESSION – DRAWING CLASSES

#### MONDAYS: JAN 10 - MARCH 7, \$200 (EARLY REGISTRATION)\*



BEGINNERS & YOUNGER STUDENTS – WILL EXPERIENCE FUN CLASSES INTRODUCING DRAWING CONCEPTS AND DEVELOPING FUNDAMENTAL DRAWING SKILLS. STUDENTS IN THESE INTERACTIVE CLASSES WILL BE INSTRUCTED IN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF ART WITH THE FREEDOM TO ATTEMPT A VARIETY OF DRAWING TECHNIQUES IN A FUN AND RELAXED ATMOSPHERE, DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE CONFIDENCE AND SKILL IN BEGINNING ARTISTS.

**EXPERIENCED & OLDER STUDENTS** – WILL BE CHALLENGED TO FURTHER DEVELOP THEIR FOUNDATIONAL ART SKILLS WITH A VARIETY OF FUN EXERCISES, WITH OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE SUBJECT MATTER OF THEIR OWN CHOOSING IN MORE DEPTH, WITH GUIDANCE AND INSTRUCTION.

Email talitha.roffel@gmail.com for more information and to inquire about available spots in classes. Please include student's name, age and art experience/interests.

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### Langley Christmas Bureau 2021

Help fulfill a Christmas wish this holiday season! The Langley Christmas Bureau is once again offering its services to Langley families. Learn how you can help provide a festive dinner or gifts for children in our community by clicking on the QR code on this poster <a href="here">here</a>. If your family is in need of support this year, review the details in this poster <a href="here">here</a>. This initiative is open to families with children from newborn to grade 12. For more information, please visit: langleychristmasbureau.com



#### langleyschooldistrictfoundation.com

All proceeds benefit the Langley School District Foundation! Funds raised support students and school needs in our community. To learn more, visit us online or follow us on social. \*Estimated value. Jackpot will be based on number of tickets sold.







**CATCHMENT AREA SCHOOLS:** 

Aldergrove Community Secondary
Brookswood Secondary
Langley Secondary
Walnut Grove Secondary
Langley Fine Arts Secondary
Langley Fundamental Secondary
R.E. Mountain Secondary
D.W. Poppy Secondary

#### **HOW TO APPLY:**

Please visit our International Student
Program website (Homestay
section): www.studyinlangley.com
and complete the online Homestay
Application!

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Please contact:
Langley School District
International Students Program
Tel: 604-534-7891

We are located at the Langley School Board Office 4875 - 222 Street, Langley, BC