

Langley Fundamental 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

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### https://lfe.sd35.bc.ca/parent-community/helpful-resources/

(Bookmark this link. Our school website has all the resources and access to forms that you need!)

### Date: Thursday, February 2, 2023 Dear Parents:



Our surprise snow event brought excitement and fun for our students. They were so creative in building their snow forts, snowmen and other creations. It was wonderful to see the team work that happened as they were building and inventing on the fly.

Ethan, Warren, Boden, Declan and Shea with their "snow elephant" snow creation.

Do you have a regular nighttime routine for your children? Did you know that elementary aged children need 9-12 hours per night depending on their age and their individual needs? Children who do not get the required amount of sleep each evening may struggle with controlling their behaviour, sometimes resulting in noncompliant and hyperactive behaviour. There are cognitive impacts as well such as not being able to focus, poor memory, unable to make good decisions, slower reaction times and even a loss of creativity. It's never too late to begin putting these routines into place. If you are taking a holiday during school times please be sure to fill out the attached form. Also please note that if you are absent for 25 consecutive school days your spot will not be held for you.

### **Reminders for Parents**

#### Langley Environmental Awareness Program (LEAP) Info Session

Imagine your child's classroom in the open air! Parents/guardians of students wanting to register their child in LEAP (Langley Environmental Awareness Program) for entry into Kindergarten to Grade 4 in September 2024, are required to attend this information session as part of registration.

Join us on **Tuesday, February 7, 2023** for a LEAP information session. In this session, you will learn more about the program, student and parent/guardian expectations, and have the opportunity to ask staff questions.

Date:Tuesday, February 7, 2023Time:5:30 pmPlace:Fort Langley Elementary, School Gym (8877 Bartlett St, Langley)

*If you have any questions about the information session or program, please contact Fort Langley Elementary Principal Logan Kitteringham at <u>lkitteringham@sd35.bc.ca</u>* 

Parents with children who are currently in the LEAP program and have a child who plans to enter Kindergarten in September 2024, do not need to attend an info session. Parents that have already attended a LEAP info session are not required to attend this February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

*Parents/guardians with children interested in attending the LEAP program in grades 1* – 4 *must apply by contacting the school.* 

#### Parent/Guardian Information Meeting: Admin Procedure 356

The District invites interested parents/guardians, students, staff, and members of the school community to learn more about Administrative Procedure 356 at an upcoming information meeting. Administrative Procedure 356 is one of many administrative procedures and practices established by the Superintendent of Schools that directs staff on their work. AP 356 was developed to improve the District's "guidance for staff for supporting students who have been suspended as well as developing guidelines for medical exclusions." The meeting is on Monday, January 31, 2023 at 7pm. The location will be communicated to registered attendees prior to the event. To learn more about AP 356 and to attend the meeting, please register by completing an online form on our District website **here**. See graphic **here**.

We want to ensure as many families as possible are accessing our programs as we build successful transitions for all of our learners.

Story: https://www.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/district-board-news/view/gifts-and-gatherings-celebrates-early-learners-around-the-district/

Home and School Working Together for Student Success

#### YouTube Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SHuKFYmvJIE

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kim Anderson.

#### Early Learning Preschool Opportunity

We are very excited to be opening our first Langley School District Preschool! JB4 (Just Be 4) Preschool is a new ministry initiative that allows our ECE staff to provide meaningful and engaging play-based learning for 4-year-olds. It will be running at Douglas Park Elementary in our StrongStart room. Please share the attached flyer in your upcoming parent communication as registration is now open.

If you would like more information about JB4, please contact Kim Anderson. You can also visit this link:

#### https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2022EDUC0005-000227

### **Learning Commons News**

Library News

Read Through The Seasons!

Students will have brought home the February home reading calendar this week. We are now more than halfway through our home reading program. Prize draws for January will take place next week, February 6th – 9th for those students who return their calendars.

### **Upcoming Events**

Thursday, Feb. 9	Movie Night
Friday, Feb. 10	Pro-d day. Students not in school
Monday, Feb. 13	Design/Assessment/Report card prep/Students not in school
Tuesday, Feb. 14	Red, White and Pink spirit day/PAC meeting @9:00 am
Monday, Feb. 20	Family Day. Schools not in session
Feb. 21-24	District Wide Respect and Diversity Week

### **House Points**

Here are the points and totals from our half way to summer spirit day:

	Half way to summer	Total
Canadians	207	1504
Canucks	210	1567
Lions	237	1557
Whitecaps	213	1558

Our next spirit day is February, 14. Red, white and pink day.

## **School Goals**

\*courage - "Courage is doing what you're afraid to do. There can be no courage unless you're scared." – Edward Vernon Rickenbacker

\*Sportsmanship - "One man practicing sportsmanship is far better than a hundred teaching it." – Knute Rockne

\*kindness (respect, helpfulness) "*If you can't think of anything nice to say, you're not thinking hard enough.*" - Kid President

Thanks for reinforcing these important character traits at home too!



A LEARNING COMMUNITY THAT INSPIRES CURIOSITY, DISCOVERY AND BELONGING TO HONOUR ALL CHILDREN AND HOW THEY NATURALLY LEARN.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY 12:45PM – 2:45PM (\$175 per month)

TUESDAY & THURSDAY 12:45PM – 2:45PM (\$120 per month) Join us as we engage students in a rich and purposeful preschool program while helping faciliate successful transitions at Douglas Park Community School.

Douglas Park Community School 5409 206<sup>th</sup> Street, Langley, BC (604) 533-4491









#### STUDENT MISSING SCHOOL TIME Information and Conditions

# NOTE – THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE 2 (TWO) WEEKS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE

Due to the ongoing enrollment pressures across the Langley School District, the District is unable to guarantee spaces for students who choose to take an extended leave from their school.

Parent/Guardian Request	Date:				
My child will be missing school for the	(Studer	nt # from	)	in Grade to	

I understand that it is my privilege to take my child out of school for reasons I determine to be appropriate.

I acknowledge that my child may:

- Not pass the courses for which he/she is registered during the time for which he/she is out of school.
- Lose his/her space in this school if the absence is more than 25 consecutive school days (the last day of school before a scheduled break and the first day of school after a scheduled break are considered consecutive).
- Be put on a waiting list for re-enrolment at this school, dependent on student numbers in the school at the time of the absence.

Parent/Guardian Signature

**Principal Signature** 

Parent/Guardian Name

Principal Name/School

## EARLY YEARS PROGRAMS ( Lan Schools

Many people have an important role in raising a child. Adults will gain skills and knowledge to support children beyond the session. These programs are all caregiver participation programs. Any family member or caregiver is welcome to participate along with children ages 0-5 years.



The StrongStart program provides rich learning environments designed for early learning development – language, physical, cognitive, social, and emotional.

Qualified SD35 Early Childhood Educators lead shared learning activities where children connect and interact with other children of similar ages. Caregivers are encouraged to participate in activities such as storytelling, games, and sharing healthy snacks. Join us to learn new ways to support your child, find information about community services, and connect with others. StrongStart is free for families to attend and is found at 8 locations Monday to Friday on days school is in session. Program times are listed:

Donna Gabriel Robins Elementary School - 8:45am - 11:45am Douglas Park Community School - 9:00am - 12:00pm Langley Meadows Community School - 9:00am - 12:00pm Nicomekl Elementary - 9:15am - 12:15pm Parkside Elementary - 8:45am - 11:45am and 1:00pm - 4:00pm Simonds Elementary - 9:00am - 12:00pm West Langley Elementary - 9:00am - 12:00pm Willoughby Elementary - 1:00pm-4:00pm



Join Sam Collie for an interactive caregiver participation group story time complete with rhymes, books and felt stories. Children birth to 5 years are welcome. **This is a FREE, DROP-IN session and space is limited.** 

Mondays 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Donna Gabriel Robins Elementary - 7844 204B St, Langley

A FREE, DROP-IN play based, child friendly environment for families and their children aged birth to 5 years. Come As You Are will provide opportunities for wellness, socialization, and growth. Each week has a different community speaker, for casual conversation. Coffee and light snacks provided (please bring a travel mug - lid included). For our list of speakers please visit our website or contact scollie@sd35.bc.ca

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For more information please visit our website at: ps://www.sd35.bc.ca/programs-initiatives/early-learning-birth-5-vr