

# **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

Principal: Mrs. Deah Paton Vice-Principal: Mr. Neil Powell

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Tricia Mein P.A.C. President: Mrs. Melynn Krauss

Date: Thursday, December 20, 2018

#### **Dear Parents:**

Last night our students did a beautiful job presenting "The Tale of the Drowsy Shepherd." I am continually impressed at the level that our students perform at, and I was not disappointed last night! A HUGE thank you to all the staff who put in many extra hours and a special thank you to Mrs. Spaulding for her direction over the entire concert and to Mrs. Thomson and Mrs. Way for directing the drama. Many other staff members and parents were involved in work behind the scenes to make it the success it was. Thank You!

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and all the best in 2019. I look forward to working with you and your children in the new year.

### **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="https://www.sd35.bc.ca">www.sd35.bc.ca</a>. Updates are also posted to Twitter @LangleySchools and Facebook at <a href="https://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.

Please read the the attachments at the bottom of this newsletter for some information on grade 4 and 5 upcoming basketball camp (January 2,3,4).

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### **Learning Commons News**

Swing Into Reading: Keep an eye out for the January home reading calendar that will have come home this week. Remember to return all December calendars upon the return to school in January. Prize draws will take place January 14-17<sup>th</sup> for those students who have returned their calendars.

Langley Book Of The Year: Congratulations to Seth Ingwersen for qualifying for our celebration party in May.

Reading Link Challenge: Our Reading Link meetings will begin on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:20 – 11:50, and will continue each Monday until our in-school challenge the end of February or early March. The date is still to be determined. Encourage your child to read all six of the books before our in-school challenge. A collection of questions will be given to students in January to help with preparing for the challenge.

Scholastic Book Fair: Thank you for supporting our library fundraiser. We raised \$1614 for new books. A big thank you to our volunteers who gave their time during the fair.

Langley Picture Book Of The Year: In January our classes will be starting a district wide reading program that involves 10 amazing picture books. Each week students will have the opportunity to listen to one of the books, and then students will vote for their favorite book the week before spring break. We will announce the winning book in the spring.

# **Upcoming Events**

Monday, January 7 Schools open Friday, January 11 Grade 5 Skiing

Monday, January 14 Early dismissal at 1:25 pm for collaboration

Friday, January 18 Grade 5 skiing

Friday, January 25 Artstarts presentation at 9:00 am (Pier 21)/Halfway to

summer spirit day/Grade 5 skiing

Thursday, January 31 Hot lunch

### **House Points**

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Canadians	478	333	811
Canucks	503	337	840
Lions	506	347	853
Whitecaps	525	374	899

Our next spirit day is tomorrow, December 21st. PJ day

### **School Goals**

Thanks for your outpouring of generosity and compassion as you gave towards our Christmas hampers this year. The school was truly blessed by your gifts.

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

# Gr. 4-5, 6-7 Basketball Camps

Fundy New Year's Camp

When: Jan. 2, 3, 4 Where: LFMSS Gym

**Time:** mornings

Gr. 4-5: 10-11:30 am Gr. 6-7: 12-1:30 pm

Sessions: 1.5 hours each

Cost: \$50 \*includes Titans basketball t-shirt!

Who: Grade 4-7 boys and girls

# **Coaches**

- Neil MacKinnon, Head Coach, LFMSS Sr. girls, Cert. NCCP, Level 2.
- Assisted by the Titans Sr. girls basketball team

Goal of the camp is to improve the individual skills of each player – and have fun!

Contact Neil <a href="mailto:4mack@telus.net">4mack@telus.net</a> 778-246-4695 Please respond immediately for a spot.

4mack@telus.net

Please send form to <b>Coach I</b>		TION FORM elus.net) to register. Br	ing \$50 cheque (payable to <i>L.F</i>	<b>E.M.S.S.</b> ) on the first da
Name		Grade	School	
Email Address				
Phone #	F	Parent Signature		
Camp Option				
Gr. 4-5 [ ]: Gr. 6-7 [ ]: Gr.	8-12 [ ]			
Boy [ ] Girl [ ]				
*Gr 4-7 - T-shirt size:	(YM, YL, S, M, L, XL)	)		
Send registrations to Neil MacKinnon, Sr		SS		

Bring \$50 payment (cash or cheque) to the first session, receipt will be given.

### Keeping the FUN in FUNDY athletics!

•Feel free to email any inquiries to Neil, or to Langley Fundamental Athletic Director, James Johnson at <u>james.johnson@sd35.bc.ca</u>







### CHOICE PROGRAM

Outdoor Program at Fort Langley Elementary Kindergarten to Grade 4

### INFORMATION SESSION

for 2019-20 School Year:

January 23rd - 6:30 pm at Fort Langley Elementary

### MORE INFORMATION

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/ programs-initiatives/programs -of-choice/



December 20, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Re: Langley School District Reducing Natural Gas Usage as Province Experiences Shortage

In October of this year, a large natural gas pipeline explosion near Prince George greatly reduced the availability of natural gas in British Columbia. As such, FortisBC asked that British Columbians conserve natural gas as the supply lines were being repaired.

The Langley School District participated in the conservation efforts by lowering thermostat levels to reduce natural gas consumption in all its facilities. As Fortis BC has since announced that the natural gas supply has now reached an acceptable level, temperatures in Langley schools will be returned to normal seasonal operating levels.

District Leadership would like to commend and thank the students and staff of the District for participating in conservation efforts that have greatly impacted the province.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school administration or email feedback@sd35.bc.ca.

Sincerely,

**Gord Stewart** 

Superintendent of Schools

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