



## Langley Fundamental Elementary School

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**Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019**

### Dear Parents:

Happy New Year and welcome back to all of our students and staff. I trust the Christmas holidays were an enjoyable time with family and friends. This term is the shortest term of the school year, and certainly goes by quickly, but it's also the most productive learning time. I look forward to seeing all the progress our students will be making over the next 2 months. Please continue to be involved in all areas of your child's education and look for opportunities to help out in classes or with our very active PAC group. Together we can accomplish great things.

We will be setting up a food collection bin in our front foyer area to collect non-perishable food items throughout the school year. Our Christmas hamper partnership with a Langley School was a huge success and the families were most appreciative of our generous donations at a financially difficult time. After talking with their Principal, it's clear that the need continues beyond the Christmas season and our PAC members and staff would like to continue our partnership throughout the school year. If you have some non-perishable food items that you can donate please drop them off. Thanks in advance again for your generous donations and examples of compassion.

Our chess club is starting next week for Grade 4 and 5 students. They have their first meeting on Thursday, January 24 at lunch time to learn and practice their Chess skills. Encourage your child to join! Thanks to Mr. Strand and Mrs. Gessaroli for leading this fun and educational club.

### Reminders for Parents

We are holding our Family Literacy Day on Monday, January 21st at 8:50 am. If you have a chance to stay at school after drop off to read with your child and/or others, please join us! Read more below in the Learning Common News.

### Learning Commons News

Family Literacy Week: Please join us on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:50am and read with your children in celebration of Family Literacy Week. Our entire school will be reading in the halls, classrooms, gym, and library. Students who do not have a

family member attending will join another family and spend time enjoying literature.

Langley Book Of The Year: Thus far we have had two students qualify for our celebration lunch in May. There is still a lot of time for students to read the books and vote for their favorite book and qualify for the lunch.

Reading Link Challenge: We will continue to meet every Monday morning to prepare for our in-school challenge. Students were encouraged to take a set of practise questions to help them get ready for the challenge. You may be interested in quizzing your child on these questions to see what they know about the six books. In order for each student to help out their team we are hoping that team members will read all of the six books for the challenge (date still to be determined).

### Upcoming Events

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
Wednesday, February 6	Collaboration. Early dismissal at 1:25 pm
Friday, February 8	Grade 5 final ski date
Thursday, February 14	Spirit Day; wear red, pink or white
Friday, February 15	Pro-d. School not in session
Monday, February 18	Family Day. Schools are closed
Thursday, February 21	Hot Lunch
Monday, February 25	Report card prep. Students dismissed at 11:25 am

### House Points

Our PJ day was a HUGE success. Here are the points to date:

	<b>PJ Day</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Canadians</b>	428	1239
<b>Canucks</b>	428	1268
<b>Lions</b>	407	1260
<b>Whitecaps</b>	421	1320

Our next spirit day is January 25; Half-way to summer day.

### School Goals

Character goal: A small committee of teachers and parents have been working with a design artist to create a logo for our school and align ourselves with our Middle/Secondary school. We are currently looking at a "Young Titan" design for our logo and hope to eventually offer spirit wear for students, staff and parents who wish to purchase these items. What a great way to build our team in a visible way. More to come.

Numeracy goal: Stay tuned for information on our first annual Family **Numeracy** Day. This will be along the same lines as our Literacy Day where all parents (grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc) are invited to come in the morning, but to participate in some skill building math games with small groups of children. Date to follow.

Mrs. Paton