



Langley Fundamental Elementary School

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Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020

Dear Parents:

With the approach of Spring and the beautiful weather it certainly feels good to head outside and enjoy. As a staff we have been learning about the importance of unstructured play in the growth and development of children. According to the Canadian Public Health Association here are some benefits of unstructured play:

- *improves attention, concentration, and memory
- *increases physical activity levels
- *strengthens social and emotional learning.
- *supports resilience and self-regulation
- *improves mental health and well-being

Tomorrow we are beginning our "Free Fridays" recess/lunch play times. Students get to choose to play anywhere on the playground and engage in interactive and unstructured activities. The kindergartens have come up with the phrase "Extra Fun Friday." We look forward to tomorrow!

Here's a link to the CPHA website for more information:

<https://www.cpha.ca/play-infographics?fbclid=IwAR1scWdN2n2DoYzkxsnsKHZt-tD1ZPx528BAoADpZEmn1h6fsAoIvS-iOcM>

Next week an email will be sent with the link and access code to book student-led conferences with your child's teacher. These conference will be held on Wednesday, March 11 (2:00-7:30 pm) and Thursday, March 12 (2:00-4:30 pm). This is a time for your child to show all the progress they have made and to celebrate their success. If you would like to book a parent-teacher conference please speak with the teacher as to availability.

Reminders for Parents

Report cards are going to be published on March 6th and you will be able to access the information from the Family Portal. Please try to log into your account ahead of time to

make sure you have access. If you have any problems logging in please call the office for assistance.

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/myedbc-family-portal-help/>

Learning Commons News

Langley Book of The Year: Congratulations to the following students who have qualified for the celebration lunch in May: Ava D., Maia L., Ava G., and Kate W.

Reading Link Challenge: We are continuing to meet every Friday from 11:20 – 11:50 in the library. Our students will be competing at our **in-school challenge on Thursday, March 12th from 1:40 – 2:40 in our school gym.** Parents are encouraged to attend and cheer on our teams.

Upcoming Events

Friday, February 21	Hot lunch/Grade 5 ski trip (to make up for cancelled trip)
Monday, February 24	Design & Assessment/Report card prep. School not in session
Friday, March 6	Report cards issued/Hot lunch
Tuesday, March 10	Grade 5 entrepreneurial fair in the gym
Wednesday, March 11	Early Dismissal at 1:40 pm/Student-led conferences 2:00-7:30 pm
Thursday, March 12	Early Dismissal at 1:40 pm/Student-led conferences 2:00-4:30 pm
Friday, March 13	Final day prior to Spring Break
Monday, March 30	Schools re-open

House Points

	Book/Movie ch.	Pink/red/white	Total
Canadians	316	405	1890
Canucks	347	402	1992
Lions	345	401	1930
Whitecaps	293	418	1899

Our next Spirit Day is March 13 "mixed up day."

School Goals

Writing: Our students are working hard to develop their writing skills. Over the next few months I will be sharing some of their writing pieces with you.

Home and School Working Together for Student Success

Numeracy: Be sure to check out the numeracy problem each week in the front hallway.

Character: Integrity/honesty.

Mrs. Paton