



Langley Fundamental Elementary School

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Date: Friday, May 29, 2020

Dear Parents:

I must say in my 30 years in education I've never had a "car rally" sports day! Today was certainly a first for me and I'm sure for you and your family as well. I am so thankful for an amazing and creative staff. A special thank you to Mrs. Reich for her planning and for all the staff who participated. Families ended the journey at the school and I am pleased to say that we had 116 families participate! What a great turn out - thank you all.

June 1st starts a new adventure for us as well. We are opening the school to approximately 1/3 of our student body split between two days; Monday/Tuesday or Thursday/Friday. We look forward to welcoming students back and teachers will be providing support for their remote learning plans as well as some well-being and physical education opportunities.

Reminders for Parents

If you are not returning to our school this September, please let our office know asap.

Learning Commons News

Home Reading Program: Reading Is My Superpower! We have noticed that many families still have not submitted the March and April home reading calendars to classroom teachers. **Please submit by email all remaining March and April calendars by Monday, June 1st to classroom teachers.** This year, the home reading certificates will be emailed to students in June. Students will receive certificates if they have read to the minimum level for all 7 months of the program. In the final newsletter in June the top three readers per grade will be announced along with the names of the students have read to the 2nd bonus level for all 7 months of our home reading program. The top three readers per grade will also be able to pick up their home reading prize ribbon and Indigo gift card from the school office on June 25th or 26th.

June Inventory: **Please return all library books by June 5th** so we can complete our yearly inventory. There is a mail slot to the left of the front door entrance

where books can be slid through the slot. Bills will be emailed to families for unreturned books and any lost or damaged books after June 5th. Thank you for helping us to maintain our wonderful collection of books by helping to return all books by next Friday.

Fraser Valley Regional Library: Join the "Explore Our Universe" reading program offered this summer. Please see the attached letter advertisement. Please keep your children's reading logs so we can display them outside the library this fall.

Upcoming Events

Let's help bring some joy and a sense of community to our seniors. Ahead of Seniors Week June 1st to 8th, the Langley Human Dignity Coalition is encouraging our community to help raise spirits for some of our most vulnerable. The current pandemic has been difficult for everyone but it has been especially hard on seniors. The loneliness that our seniors are experiencing due to being isolated from family, friends, and community is devastating. The Coalition is asking children and youth to create paintings, drawings, or poems, for the seniors in our community. For info on how you can help: <https://bit.ly/2zq1fv1>

House Points

School Goals

Mrs. Paton



May 27, 2020

Re: A Safe Return to School in the Fraser Health Region

Dear School Administrators, Staff, Students and Parents

Through careful evidence-based planning by public health experts and in accordance with BC's Restart Plan, students can voluntarily return to school on a part-time basis starting June 1, 2020. With effective public health measures in place, BC has done an excellent job of decreasing the community spread of COVID-19.

Scientific evidence on COVID-19 has guided the provincial response to school reopening. Data has shown that children and youth are at a much lower risk of becoming infected with COVID-19, and if they become infected, they generally have milder symptoms. Children primarily get sick from other household members, and not from school settings. There is also no conclusive evidence that children who are asymptomatic pose a risk to other children or to adults.

The [Public Health Guidance for K-12 School Settings](#) provides strong guidance and measures for schools in British Columbia in order to maintain the health and safety of staff and students while at school. As outlined in the guidance, school administrators, staff, students and parents can contribute to the health and safety of the school environment through important measures, including:

1. Staying Home When Sick
 - All staff and students who have symptoms of COVID-19 **OR** travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days **OR** were identified as a close contact of a confirmed case or outbreak must stay home and self-isolate.
 - Staff must assess themselves daily, and parents and caregivers must assess their child daily for [symptoms of COVID-19](#), common cold, influenza, or other respiratory disease before going to school.
 - If a student or staff becomes ill at school, they must go home as soon as possible.
 - There is no public health restriction from working in the school environment due to age, medical conditions or pregnancy. Children and adults with compromised immune systems or underlying medical conditions should talk to their family physician to understand the risks of COVID-19 and what additional precautions they should take for their situation.
2. Performing Diligent Hand Hygiene
 - Thorough hand washing with plain soap and water for at least 20 seconds is the most effective way to reduce the spread of illness.
 - Where sinks are unavailable, use alcohol-based hand rubs with at least 60% alcohol.
 - Hand hygiene should be practiced throughout the day and especially upon arrival at school, before and after any breaks, before and after eating and drinking, after using the toilet, after sneezing or coughing into hands, and whenever hands are visibly dirty.