



# Langley Fundamental Elementary School

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**Date: Thursday, November 26, 2020**

## Dear Parents:

This week I am featuring two of our Grade 1 teachers: Mrs. Gessaroli and Mrs. Spaulding. Here is a short write up and a look into their classrooms:



Mrs. Gessaroli loves her job teaching the most wonderful children in the world. She lives in Clayton with her daughter and 2 cats. She also has a son in University. She is taking a diploma in Mathematics at Queen's University currently, which has been inspiring for her since she loves math. She also has a student teacher, Miss George, working alongside her this year who has been a real joy and support to the class.

I have been teaching for 7 years now. I've worn many hats over the years, from teaching music to teaching resource and doing k to grade 5 classroom teaching! Grade 1 is what I did my practicum year in and its where I feel I belong. I've been looking forward to having my own grade 1 classroom at LFES for a while. What I love most about grade 1 is their health student's attitude towards learning. Its amazing to see their academic growth, especially in reading and writing. I live in Langley with my husband, 2 cats and 2 bunnies. We love to travel (👎 covid), spend time outdoors and with family. My sister is the music teacher at the middle high school! I truly appreciate being apart of the LFES family and am convinced its the best school ever ❤️



The grade 5's are excited to announce that they are participating in our annual Gingerbread House Decorating Contest in support of the Langley Food Bank. Students have already been working hard to make some very imaginative plans for their houses!

We are asking the students of LFES to bring in a cash donation towards the Langley Food Bank on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Cash donations of one dollar (or more) will be able to vote for their favourite gingerbread house. Each additional dollar donated will earn a chance to win a huge gift basket, provided by Save-On Foods, filled with toys, candy, and other goodies in a school-wide draw. Every dollar donated gives another chance to win!

## Reminders for Parents

\*Teachers are currently giving out student passwords in order to access the Teams and MyBlueprint platforms. If you do not have this information please reach out to your child's teacher. In the hopefully unlikely event that our school is closed we want the transition to remote learning to be quick and smooth.

\*Now that our rainy season is upon us many of you will be using the pick-up/drop-off lanes more frequently. I have noticed that some people are trying to merge into this lane from the drive thru lane and this can cause accidents. Please only use the left lane to drive thru and exit the parking lot.

\*Please remember to always use the crosswalks when walking with your child. Our parking lot is a very busy place and if people are crossing in other areas there is a greater potential for an accident. Also, please do not have your child meet you on the street for pick up. I have seen local residents drive on the wrong side to pass the line up of vehicles. If your child is accessing their ride on the street it is very dangerous. Thanks for helping me keep your child and everyone else's safe.

\*A final reminder; our school lot is for staff parking before school. Some staff members are unable to find parking stalls in the morning so please use drive thru or park on the streets to walk your children to class. Thanks.

## Learning Commons News

### **Scholastic Book Fair:**

Our Scholastic Book Fair is virtual until December 4<sup>th</sup>. We earn 20% back in product rewards which means new books for the library. Shipping is free with orders \$35 or more, otherwise standard shipping is \$6. Thank you for supporting our library.

**Here is the link to the book fair:**

<https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5151502>

### **Reading Programs:**

[Congratulations to Nolan S. and Brooklynn S. for reading 8 of the Langley Book Of The Year books. These students have qualified for our celebration party in May. Reading Link Challenge will be starting later this month after we have received the selection of books. The challenge will be taking place virtually in the spring and students will be making teams from their cohorts. More information will be coming soon.](#)

## Upcoming Events

Friday, November 27

Treat day also Spirit day – Moustache Day

Friday, December 11

Hot Lunch/Term 1 reports issued

## Home and School Working Together for Student Success

Friday, December 18

Last day prior to Christmas Break

## House Points

Canucks: 398  
Canadians: 423  
Lions: 416  
Whitecaps: 386

Our next Spirit Day is November 27 - wear a moustache!

## School Goals

**Character Goal:** A winner is just a loser who tried one more time.

--George M. Moore Jr.

**Writing Goal:** Some Christmas writing ideas:

1. Taking a ride in Santa's sleigh
2. Baking cookies with Mrs. Claus
3. Building toys with the elves
4. The best snowman I ever built
5. My family's Christmas traditions

**Numeracy Goal:** Here's a math site for some fun games:

•[ca.ixl.com/math](http://ca.ixl.com/math)

## PAC News

50/50 TICKETS - We're on track to sell out all of the tickets which means a jackpot of \$10,000 for the winner. Please send your child's brown envelopes back to the teachers ASAP, especially if you need more booklets.

ONLINE SILENT AUCTION - The auction is amazing and bids are coming in like crazy! Please visit the website to create an account and start bidding. Anyone can participate: grandparents, neighbours, friends, etc. Bidding closes December 4th at 10pm. Link: [32auctions.com/tea2020](http://32auctions.com/tea2020)

[VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS TEA - Event starts at 7pm on December 4th.](#) We can't wait to share the event with our LFES community.

Thank you to everyone for their overwhelming support of this year's first virtual event!

Thanks....Stacey

Mrs. Paton