



Langley Fundamental Elementary School

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Dear Parents:

As we are approaching March, I truly don't know where the time has gone! Spring is just around the corner and with it all the beauty that BC holds for us. Personally it's one of my favourite times of the year as it brings with it the promise of warmer, longer days and the new life that Spring always brings. At this time of year we also look towards our second term reporting period and upcoming conferences. Our online system will open next week for booking an interview time with your child's teacher. Bookings will begin on Tuesday, March 2nd at 9:00 am and close on Tuesday, March 9th at 2:00 pm. Conferences will be held on Wednesday, March 10 (1:30 - 7:30 pm) and Thursday, March 11 (1:30 - 4:30 pm) 2021. Below is the website and access code (case sensitive):

lfes.parentteacherconferences.net

Access code is: lfes2021



This week is Respect and Diversity Week across the district. As a school we have participated in classroom and school wide activities to promote unity. Each child received a button that says: "You Belong Here" with our school logo as well each child in the school has completed a puzzle piece. These puzzles pieces will be placed on the library ceiling for everyone to enjoy. Here is what we have up so far...I will share photos when it's all completed.

This week's newsletter will be highlighting the Grade 4 team of teachers.

Meet Mrs. Vleeming, Miss Younger, and Mrs. Cloutier. (left to right)

Mrs. Cloutier has been with the district for 17 years and this is her first year at LFE. She loves to make teaching FUN through dance parties, bubbles on supervision, and dress up days such as Tie Dye Tuesdays! In her spare time, she enjoys crocheting.



Miss Younger has been teaching for 6 years and this is her third year at LFE. Her favourite subject is math and she is currently working on a graduate certificate in math education through Queen's University. She loves place based learning and using authentic books from local authors in her teaching. She enjoys every water sport and is happiest on a boat!

Mrs. Vleeming has been teaching for 3 years and this is her first year at LFE. She has a passion for Social and Emotional Learning and enjoys small group instruction whenever possible. Mrs. Vleeming is expecting her first child this July!

This term, our students have been working on a project called **Who Was/Who Is**. This project, led by Miss Younger, uses the book series "Who Was..." published by *Penguin Random House* that highlight important people from around the world who have made an impact in history. This project allows students to complete authentic reading about a person of interest. Students were able to 'taste test' a number of books before choosing their person. Students created a poster that highlighted key character traits that made their person so important to our world. To wrap up the project, students participated in a 'living museum' day, where they came dressed up as their person and completed a short presentation for their class.

Reminders for Parents

Sometimes our church parking lot can become a very busy place especially with the staggered starts and end times. Here are some pointers to help it work more effectively:

- *please do not park in the paved section. This is for the church staff and home school staff
- *keep to the right as you drive thru
- *back into the stalls
- *Dropping off children in the lot is dangerous. Feel free to use the main drop off area in the school lot if you are not walking your child(ren) to class
- *Double parking is not allowed in this lot. This is especially important to not park in the lane in the middle section. Please only park in the stalls.
- *Turning right at 50 Ave will help with congestion
- *Always hold your child's hand.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Home and School Working Together for Student Success

Learning Commons News

Reading Link Challenge: The in-school challenge will likely take place the beginning of April so there is still time for students to keep reading. It would be beneficial for each team member to read all 6 books.

Nuts About Reading!: March home reading starts on Monday. Look for the March calendars in backpacks and agendas and continue to read daily. Prize draws will take place March 15th – 19th for February home reading.

Upcoming Events

February 22 - 26	Respect and Diversity week
Friday, March 5	2nd Term report cards issued
Wednesday, March 10	1-hour Early dismissal for conferences
Thursday, March 11	1-hour Early dismissal for conferences
Friday, March 12	Spirit Day; mixed up and backwards day/last day prior to spring break
Monday, March 29	Schools reopen

House Points

	Red/White/Pink Day	Totals
Canucks:	394	1880
Canadians:	410	1941
Lions:	398	1946
Whitecaps:	409	1882

Our next Spirit Day is March 12: mixed up/backwards day.

School Goals

Writing: Here's a writing prompt for your child to create a short story: If you could have any secret super power, what would you want it to be and why?

Character: As our focus is respect and diversity this week, here is a quote:

"Could a greater miracle take place than for us to look through each other's eyes for an instant?" – Henry David Thoreau

Numeracy:

It was great to see the participation in our last numeracy problem. A total of 30 students submitted answers!

Last week's winners: Sofie (div 12) Cohen K. (div.1)

Last week's answers: Intermediate - Sam the squirrel started with 6 cones
Primary - many possibilities (the square - shaded/pentagon - more than 4 sides/ rhombus - on an angle/rectangle - not all sides are equal length, etc)

Here are this week’s challenges:

Primary Problem:



Clue #1

The answer is between 1 and 20

Clue #2 C

cross off the number 11 and all of the numbers that are less than 11.

Clue #3

The answer is not 16, 17, 18, or 19.

Clue #4

Can you find the 3 blue pom-poms? The answer does not include the digit 3

Clue #5

Can you find the 4 pink pom-poms? The answer does not include the digit 4.

Intermediate Problem:



Clue #1

The answer is a 2-digit number.

One of those digits is a 7.

Clue #2

The answer is an odd number.

Clue #3

The answer is not a multiple of 5.

Clue #4

The answer includes the digit 9.

Submit your answers to: dpaton@sd35.bc.ca to be entered into the draw!

Mrs. Paton

District News:

Trustee By-Election

The District is reminding our families that a Trustee By-election is taking place on Saturday, February 27th from 8am – 8pm, to fill a vacant seat on our Langley

*Board of Education. We encourage all eligible voters in the Township of Langley to exercise their right to vote and help contribute to creating **An Innovative, Inspiring and Unified Learning Community**.*

For more information on candidates and where to cast your ballots, please visit this webpage [here](#).

Rainbow Crosswalk

Please share this exciting news with your staff and families:

The Langley Board of Education is pleased to announce it has successfully reached its fundraising goal to support the installation of a rainbow crosswalk in our community. The rainbow crosswalk will link the School Board Office to the Langley RCMP detachment. The Board believes the rainbow crosswalk is a symbol of diversity and inclusion which will ensure everyone in our community feels safe, seen, represented, and that they belong. Thank you to all of our donors and supporters who have supported this initiative. You can learn more about the project on our District website [here](#).