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Family Fridge Memo Oct 10, 2025

Dear Uplands Families,

As we approach the Thanksgiving long weekend, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for the incredible community we share here at our school. This season reminds us of the importance of reflection, connection, and appreciation—for the people around us and the opportunities we have to learn and grow together.

Furthermore, a big thank-you also goes out to Ms. Jacquie and Ms. Heasley for coaching and organizing the new Uplands Soccer Team who started their season off with a win over Blacklock on Tuesday. It's amazing to see how excited the players are to play and be a part of this school team.

Have a great long weekend!

Ryan Neufeld Principal of Uplands Elementary



Action Required:

☐ Montessori Kindergarten Registration for the 2026 – 2027 School Year **begins online** Monday Oct 6, 2005, **at Noon – Please click the link below to get directed to the Choice Program Registration page.**

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/10213/choice-program-registration



□ Please remember to obey the NO Parking signs in and around the school. **Do not park in front of people's driveways for any reason for any length of time** on all streets neighboring the school.



☐ Fall brings wind & rain. Please have your children dress appropriately every day for the weather. Please pack a spare change of clothes that can be kept in your child's backpack, please include a pair of socks.



☐ We are happy to share the good news that we will be **expanding our school meal program by offering an optional, weekly hot lunch program delivered by the Lunch Lady.**

This program has been made possible through the Feeding Futures School Food Programs Fund (FFSFPF), provided by the Ministry of Education and Childcare. The Feeding Futures Fund is intended to reach 20% of students across the province facing food insecurities.

This is a pilot program and information gathered through this pilot program will guide future planning of programs in our district.

The Lunch Lady is now ready to take your order!

https://www.thelunchlady.ca

☐ There are still a handful of those student verification forms that have not been handed in. They were in a brown envelope addressed to you, the package contains: Student Information Verification Form (Blue), Medical Form (Purple), NEW Student Reunification Release Form (White). Mrs. Halldorson will be sending an email out next week to those families who have not returned the forms.

From the District

Students in Distress and School Safety - Health and safety are a priority in the Langley School District. Our schools follow procedures to help keep students, staff, and the community safe. Depending on the situation, communication to parents/caregivers is needed to keep families informed about incidents in our school, such as during lockdowns, hold & secures, and room clears, or in the event of a student in distress.

Sometimes these situations may not be emergencies but events that require a school response. It is important to note that the decision to send communications to families is dependent on a variety of factors including the nature of what happened, who has witnessed or was directly impacted by what happened, as well as student and staff privacy.

Communication is unique and dependent on the specific situation; there are times when a student is in distress, yet the situation may or may not require a message or letter to families. In addition to communication with parents/caregivers, teachers and staff may debrief with students after an incident that may have upset them. In some cases, the school counsellor may offer support to students in need.

As always, we want families to let us know if your child requires support. If you have any questions or concerns about communication related to situations or emergencies, please reach out to the school.

Important Dates:

Oct 13 -	Thanksgiving – School Closed
Oct 17 -	Lockdown Drill @ 10:30am
Oct 17 -	PAC Halloween Dance
Oct 23 -	Hot Lunch Day _ Pasta
Oct 24 -	Professional Development Day – Students Not In Session
Oct 27 -	Book Fair
Nov 7 -	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov 10 -	Design & Assessment Day – Students Not in Session
Nov 11 -	Remembrance Day – School Closed
Nov 20 -	Excel Martial Arts Visiting Uplands
Nov 25 -	Fire Drill
Nov 26 -	Student Inclusive Conference (Students NOT in attendance)
Nov 27 -	Student Inclusive Conference Half Day For Students
Nov 27 -	Early Dismissal @ 12:33
Nov 28 -	Hot Lunch Day

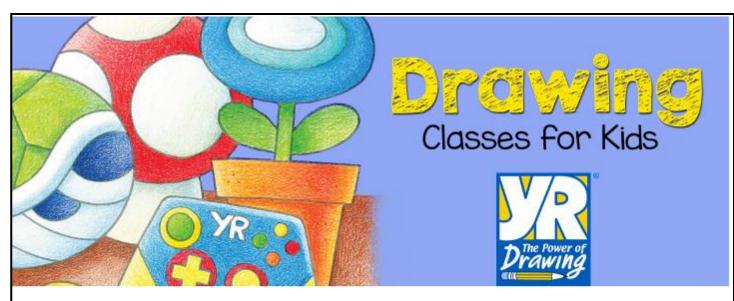
From the PAC

- ☐ COMMUNITY VALUE Coupon Books OVERDUE!
- □ Pasta hot lunch Oct 23rd Ordering closes Sunday Oct 19 at 11:59pm
- ☐ Book fair week of Halloween. **Volunteers needed**, link below https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849AAAC2DA6FCC70-59258944-scholastic
- □ Halloween Dance Oct 17th in the GYM 6:00 8:00

 Doors open at 5:30 for pre ordered food here: https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/halloween-dance-10







LEARN HOW TO DRAW WITH YOUNG REMBRANDTS THIS FALL AT UPLANDS ELEMENTARY

Every week, your child will discover exciting new lessons designed to inspire creativity and make learning fun! Our classes boost hand-eye coordination, sharpen critical thinking, and build confidence—all while kids enjoy exploring their artistic talents in a lively, supportive environment.

WE STILL HAVE SPACE IN OUR PROGRAM..

****LATE REGISTRATION WELCOME!

WHEN: Tuesdays at 2:35 PM - 3:35 PM

WHERE: THE SCHOOL Library

COST: \$179 (pro-rated for remaining 9 classes)

WE TEACH KIDS HOW TO DRAW IN A STEP BY STEP MANNER THAT IS BOTH MEMORABLE AND FUN, HELPING THEM TO BUILD DRAWING SKILLS THAT LAST A LIFETIME....AND WE HAVE TONS OF FUN IN EVERY CLASS!





WHY CHOOSE YOUNG REMBRANDTS?

•Enhances Hand-Eye Coordination

- Boosts Brain Development & Critical Thinking
- Fosters Creativity & Unique Artistic Expression
- Encourages Creative Thought & Problem Solving

REGISTER TODAY SCAN:

OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE
WWW.YOUNGREMBRANDTS.COM/LOWERMAINLAND





artsbc@youngrembrandts.com



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FIRST AID TRAINING

HD STAFFORD MIDDLE SCHOO FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

More information:

www.revivebls.com

info@revivebls.com

LOCATION

HD Stafford Middle School 20441 Grade Crescent, Langley

Includes PIZZA LUNCH and snacks!

RED CROSS

STAY SAFE - GRADES 4 & 5

Building on an increasing maturity level, this course empowers children with the tools to build confidence and reliability to stay safe while alone for short periods of time. Topics include how to prepare, recognize and respond to unexpected situations; the importance of following rules when staying on your own; and how to respond to challenges and create positive changes. Ultimately the course focuses on responsibility, respect, and accountability to stay safe in different situations. Includes basic first aid skills with hands-on practice.

SCAN TO SIGN UP

\$83

Incl GS



9:00-3:00 PM

https://revivebls.as.me/StaySafe-HDStafford

RED CROSS

BABYSITTING COURSE - GRADES 6 & 7

Become an expert babysitter! This course emphasizes first aid and learning through real life scenarios and lots of hands-on practice. Learn about the different ages and stages of kids and babies, challenging behaviors, feeding, appropriate snacks, diapering and toileting, appropriate games, bed time routines, and important first aid skills!

** Please remember to bring a teddy-bear or a doll to practice with, and to print the downloadable forms as mentioned in the course confirmation

SCAN TO SIGN UP

\$93

Incl GST

8:30-4:00 PM

https://revivebls.as.me/Babysitting-HDStafford

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School Status Info During Inclement Weather

Information about school status during **inclement weather**, **snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in Langley School District.** So, where do you go to get information about the status of schools during periods of inclement weather?

If you are able to access the internet via computer or smartphone, current information about Langley schools can be accessed on:

- On the District and School websites
 (See alert announcing the effected schools displayed at the top of the district website)
- On Facebook, X (formerly twitter) and Instagram
- On media outlets such as CKNW 980AM, News1130, 170.1FM Country, CBC Radio 690AM, Pulse Radio 107.7 or 88.1FM

If you don't have internet connectivity but your phone is working, call a relative or friend in an area that has not been affected by the storm and ask them to check the district website for you.

Please note that Langley District schools are all considered 'open' until a decision to close is required. Decisions on school closures are usually made by 6:30 am. As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school based on safety and individual circumstances. If you feel it is unsafe for you or your child to travel to or attend an open school for any reason, please keep your child home and report an absence to the school.

In the event of inclement weather, please do not call the school. During a power outage we are reduced to one landline. We need to this line free for emergencies. Also, the office is not able to answer so many phone calls.

Thank you for your cooperation - Uplands Office Staff.

School District #35 (Langley) 2025-2026 School Calendar Elementary Schools

MONTH	DATE	
	Sep 1 (M)	Labour Day (School Closed)
September	Sep 2 (T)	School Opens
September	Sep 29 (M)	School Improvement Day (Students not in attendance)
	Sep 30 (T)	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed)
October	Oct 13 (M)	Thanksgiving (School Closed)
Octobel	Oct 24 (F)	Professional Development Day (Provincial - Students not in attendance)
	Nov 10 (M)	Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students not in attendance)
November	Nov 11 (T)	Remembrance Day (School Closed)
November	Nov 26 (W)	Student Inclusive Conferences
	Nov 27 (Th)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
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December	Dec 19 (F)	Last Day Prior to Winter Break
January	Jan 5 (M)	School Re-Opens After Winter Break
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	Feb 9 (M)	Professional Development Day (District - Students not in attendance)
February	Feb 13 (F)	Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students not in attendance)
	Feb 16 (M)	Family Day (School Closed)
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	Mar 4 (W)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
	Mar 5 (Th)	Student Inclusive Conferences
March	Mar 13 (F)	Last Day Prior to Spring Break
	Mar 30 (M)	School Re-Opens After Spring Break
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April	Apr 6 (M)	Easter Monday (School Closed)
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	May 15 (F)	Professional Development Day (District - Students not in attendance)
May	May 18 (M)	Victoria Day (School Closed)
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L	Jun 25 (Th)	Final Learning Update & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation
June	Jun 26 (F)	Administrative Day (Students not in attendance)
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July / August		Summer Session
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APPROVED: SD35 Board of Education Meeting April 29, 2025



Keep your children free from respiratory illnesses this winter

As the weather gets colder and we spend more time indoors, we're more likely to get sick with things like colds, flu or COVID-19 because these illnesses spread more easily in enclosed spaces.

Everyone should take these steps to protect themselves and limit the spread of respiratory illnesses:

- Get vaccinated for flu and COVID-19 if you are eligible.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use alcohol-based sanitizer if soap and water is not available.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, mouth and nose.
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow.
- If you have flu-like symptoms, stay home and away from people at higher risk of serious illness. If you are sick and cannot stay away from others, wear a mask. Learn more about masks here.

Vaccinations for respiratory illness

Vaccinations prepare our immune system to recognize and respond to viruses. When children get immunized, they are less likely to get sick or pass along illness to others and better able to focus on learning, playing and doing the activities they love.

Register your children with the Get Vaccinated system so you can be reminded to get flu or COVID-19 vaccinations when they are due. Seasonal respiratory vaccinations are available from pharmacies, public health units and some primary care providers.

School-aged immunizations

As children get older, the protection from some <u>infant immunizations</u> can wear off. To set young people up for long-term health and well-being, vaccines are offered routinely in kindergarten, grade 6 and grade 9 with catch-up opportunities in other grades. Getting your child vaccinated on schedule is one of the best ways to protect their health. All routine school-aged immunizations are free in British Columbia. If your child is not up-to-date with their vaccines, please make an appointment with a public health unit, family doctor, nurse practitioner or pharmacy. If your child's record shows their vaccines are not current, but they did get vaccines from a health care provider outside of public health:

- Contact the health care provider who immunized your child and ask for a copy of the immunization record.
- Report these immunizations to Public Health online at: http://www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform

Learn more about school-aged immunizations, including how to access your child's records, here: Children and youth immunizations – Fraser Health Authority