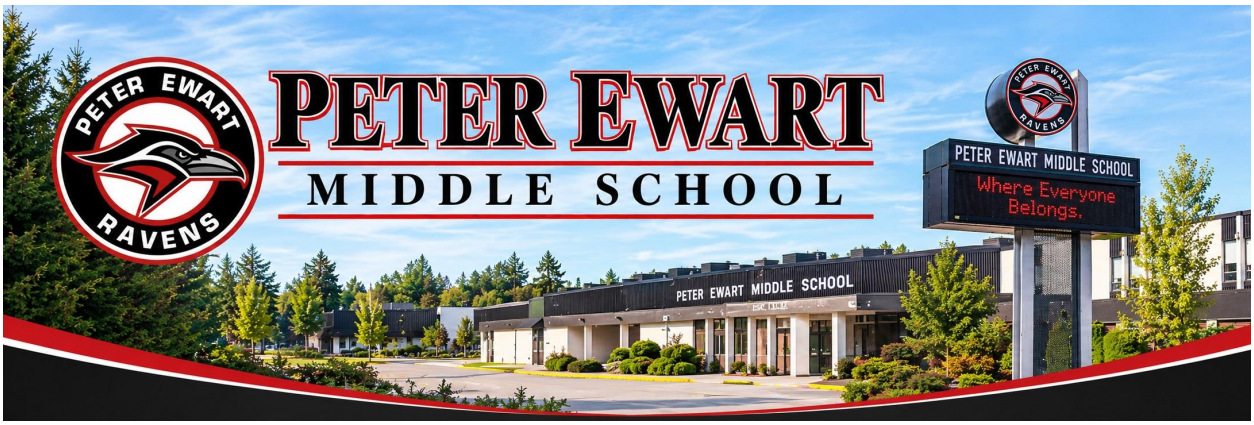


Raven's News- November 2nd, 2026

As the Langley School District works to inspire all of our learners to reach their full potential, we acknowledge that we do so on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Máthxwi, ḳʷa:ṅƛəṅ, ḳiċəẏ, and SEMYOME First Nations, who have been the stewards of these lands since time immemorial.

Principal's Message

Happy Monday Peter Ewart Families...

As we turn the calendar to November, I want to take a moment to reflect on the many positive experiences that continue to make our school such a special place to learn and grow.

Last week, our school community enjoyed a fun-filled Halloween celebration, followed by an energetic Pep Rally to close out the week. It was wonderful to see so much school spirit and student engagement. A heartfelt thank you to our staff for the time and care they put into creating these memorable experiences for our students!!

Looking ahead, we have an exciting few weeks before us. Both our Grade 8 Girls' and Boys' Volleyball Teams are heading into the playoffs, and we wish them the very best as they compete and represent Peter Ewart with pride. **Go Ravens!**

On November 10, we will gather as a school community for our Remembrance Day Assembly. This is an important opportunity for us to pause, reflect, and honour the sacrifices and service of those who have helped shape the freedoms we enjoy today.

This week also marks the beginning of Grade 8 course planning. The process starts with a parent information evening at RE Mountain Secondary, followed by visits from high school counsellors

who will support our Grade 8 students as they begin planning for their transition to secondary school.

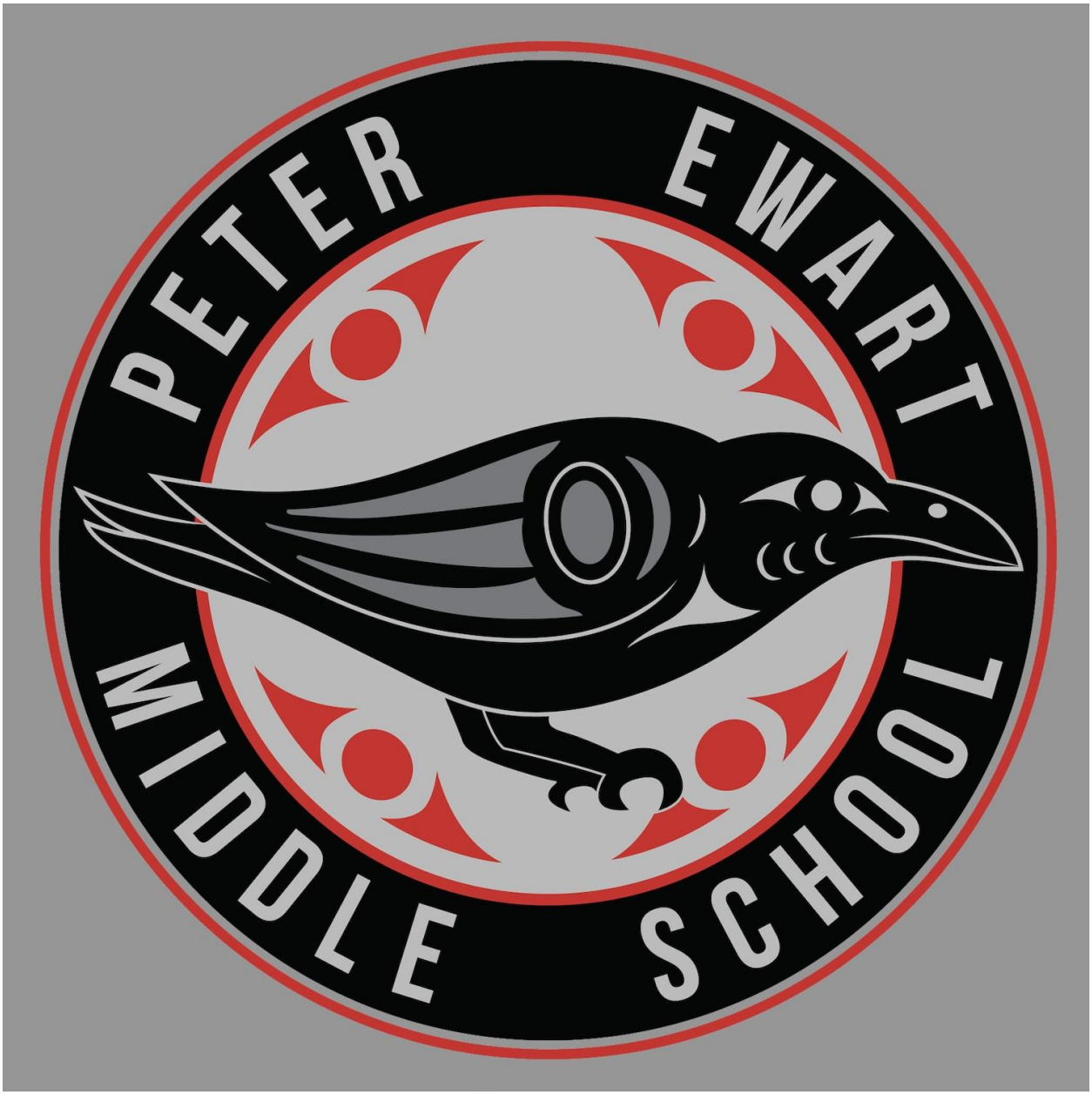
As always, thank you for your ongoing partnership and support. We continue to be grateful for the opportunity to work alongside such wonderful students, families, and staff. We are looking forward to another busy and exciting two weeks ahead and a strong start to November!

Dates on the Horizon



- November 2- EDSS and REMSS Grade 8 to 9 Course Planning Parent Information Evening 6pm @ REMS
- November 3- Grade 8 Course Planning at PEMS
- November 10- Remembrance Day Assembly
- November 11- Remembrance Day (School Closed)
- November 20- Design and Assessment Day and Learning Update Prep (Students Do Not Attend)
- November 27- Learning Updates Issued
- December 9- Grade 6 Immunizations
- December 9- Winter Band Concert
- December 10- Pancake Breakfast
- December 17- Last Day of School prior to Winter Break
- January 5- School Re-open after Winter Break

New Information to Share



Remembrance Day

It is a long-standing tradition for schools to support our veterans and the efforts of the Royal Canadian Legion. Once again this year, our school will be receiving a poppy for every student and distributing them to classes. We will continue to collect funds this year in support of the Legion's Poppy Campaign but kindly ask students and their families to donate online via School Cash Online: **https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/**

Please do not send cash or cheques with your child to school. If you need assistance accessing School Cash Online, please contact the school office. We appreciate your generosity. As always, our school is committed to educating our community about the meaning of the poppy and Remembrance Day.

Grade 8 to 9 Information

EDSS and REMSS Grade 8 to 9 Course Planning Parent Information Evening

The administration teams of R.E. Mountain Secondary School (REMSS) and Emery Dosdall Secondary School (EDSS) are pleased to invite Grade 8 families to a Course Planning Parent Information Evening on Monday, November 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the R.E. Mountain Secondary School gymnasium.

This session will provide families with information about the Grade 9 course planning process and the wide range of learning opportunities available to students at both schools. This evening is designed to support all Grade 8 families, whether their student will attend R.E. Mountain Secondary School or Emery Dosdall Secondary School for Grade 9. Counsellors and administrators will review elective offerings, and course selection procedures to help students and families make informed decisions as they prepare for secondary school.

Following the presentation, beginning at approximately 6:45 p.m., families will have the opportunity to connect with their future school community:

- REMSS families will be invited to participate in a school tour.
- EDSS families will have an opportunity to meet Emery Dosdall Secondary School Principal, Mr. Trattle, and learn more about the progress of the new school, its vision, and plans for welcoming students in September.

To support the course selection process, REMSS counsellors will also be visiting feeder schools to work directly with Grade 8 students:

- **Peter Ewart Middle School (PEMS): Tuesday, November 3**

During these school visits, counsellors will answer student questions and will explain the process of course planning at high school.

Parent Drivers

Any parents/guardians who are interested in driving students to and from field trips and/or sporting events must fill out the Langley School District Volunteer Driver Form. We require a copy of your:

1. Valid BC Driver's License
2. Current insurance papers with a minimum of $2,000,000 Liability (first 2 pages)
3. ICBC Drivers Abstract. - NOT FACTOR REPORT
4. School District Volunteer Driver Form

Drivers can NOT drive other students until all documents have been received and approved by our administrators.

Please see below for links to required documents.

https://www.icbc.com/driver-licensing/getting-licensed/Pages/Your-driving-record.aspx

You can submit documents to the office in person, or email to peterewart@sd35.bc.ca

Road and Pedestrian Safety

With less daylight hours and as we enter the season of wind, rain, and ice, we are sharing an important reminder from our community partner ICBC to students, staff, and families to help keep our community safe. Drivers should be alert, focus on the road, watch for pedestrians, especially at intersections and transit stops, and always be ready to stop. Pedestrians and travellers on bikes or scooters should be careful at intersections, always use designated crosswalks, remove headphones and devices, and be aware of your surroundings. For more tips read this resource Kids Pedestrian Safety or visit ICBC's webpage here.

PICK UP, DROP OFF & PARKING REMINDERS:

- We are asking again for parents to please drop off and pick up your children on the side drive through lanes of the school. We fully appreciate that both drop off and pick up times are exceptionally busy in our parking lot, so be sure to take extra care when driving through these zones.
- Please drive ALL the way down the lane when picking up / dropping off so we can prevent traffic jam that occurs when drivers stop at the top of the lane.

- If your student isn't coming out right away, please move from the picking up land to a parking spot. Thank you!

From the District

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 all school websites or

www.sd35.bc.ca. Updates are also posted to X (formerly Twitter) @LangleySchools and Facebook at www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict. 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. Local radio stations are also informed of school status in Langley. Tune in to CKNW 730AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7FM, CBC 690AM or CBC 88.1FM for updates.

In the event of inclement weather, the District may implement a delayed start or early dismissal at school sites. This information will be communicated to families via one or more of these methods: SchoolMessenger, email and/or text and on the District website. For District bus riders, schedules may change depending on the school status. Bus riders will be notified of changes via one or more of these methods: My Ride K-12 App, email, phone, and/or District website.

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 6:30am. 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.

Daylight Saving Time Information for Families: Fraser Health

Earlier this year, British Columbia adopted permanent daylight saving time, with the final clock change taking place on March 8, 2026. As a result, the province now observes Pacific Time (PCT) year-round, eliminating the twice-yearly switch between Pacific Standard Time (PST) and Pacific Daylight Time (PDT).

During parts of the winter, particularly between late November and early February, many children will travel to school before sunrise. Fraser Health is sharing this information to support families as they adapt to year-round Pacific Time and maintain healthy sleep habits and safe travel to and from school.

What Families Can Do

Support healthy sleep and well-being by:

- Spending time outdoors during morning daylight hours whenever possible.

- Encouraging physical activity and social connection through after-school programs and
- activities.
- Maintaining consistent bedtimes and wake-up times.
- Turning off screens at least one hour before bedtime, as evening screen use can make
- it harder to fall asleep.

Support safe travel to and from school by:

- Helping children choose well-lit routes with sidewalks and designated crossings.
- Encouraging children to wear reflective or high-visibility clothing and use a flashlight
- when travelling during darker morning hours.
- Reminding children to use designated crossings, scan traffic, and make sure vehicles
- have stopped before crossing.

If driving:

- Use extra caution when driving near schools, crosswalks, intersections and shared
- pathways.
- Be aware of one's surroundings and refraining from cell phone use, make eye contact,
- and shoulder check before turning or changing direction.
- Travel at slow speeds and stop completely at stop signs and crosswalks.

Parent and Student Codes of Conduct

The Langley School District is committed to fostering safe and caring schools that promote mutual respect, cooperation, and social responsibility, and support optimal learning. Trauma Informed Practices and Procedures promote the creation and maintenance of safe, inclusive, equitable, welcoming, and nurturing school environments.

Families play an important role in helping students achieve success as well as helping create a compassionate learning community. Just as students are expected to follow the District's **Student Code of Conduct**, there is an expectation for parents/guardians to uphold the District's **Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct**.

This Month in Athletics



Please see below schedules for game dates and times. Rosters subject to change based on driver availability.

Please reach out to your student's coach if you have more questions.

Grade 6 Boys Volleyball Schedule

Date		**Team**			**Location**
Nov. 3/26	PEMS	Premier Red	vs.	Langley Christian	PEMS
	PEMS	Premier Black		BYE	
Nov. 10/26	PEMS	Premier Red	vs.	YCMS	PEMS
	PEMS	Premier Black	@	Betty Gilbert	Betty Gilbert
Nov. 17/26	PEMS	Red	vs.	HD Stafford	PEMS
	PEMS	Champion	vs.	Langley Christian	PEMS
Nov. 24/26	PEMS	Premier Red	@	Betty Gilbert	Betty Gilbert
	PEMS	Premier Black	vs.	HD Stafford	PEMS
	PEMS	Champion	@	Langley Fundamental	Langley Fundamental
	Jamboree				**Location**
Dec. 1/26		Premier Red			Langley Fine Arts
		Premier Black			YCMS
		Champion			Langley Fundamental

Grade 6 Girls Volleyball Schedule

Date		Team				Location
Nov. 3/26	PEMS	Premier Black	@	Langley Fundamental		Langley Fundamental
	PEMS	Premier Red		BYE		
	PEMS	Premier White		BYE		
Nov. 10/26	PEMS	Premier Red	@	HD Stafford		HD Stafford
	PEMS	Premier Black	@	Langley Fundamental		Langley Fundamental
	PEMS	Premier White	vs.	Langley Fundamental		PEMS
Nov. 17/26	PEMS	Premier Red	@	Betty Gilbert		Betty Gilbert
	PEMS	Premier Black	@	YCMS		YCMS
	PEMS	Premier White	@	YCMS		YCMS
	PEMS	Champion	vs.	HD Stafford		PEMS
Nov. 24/26	PEMS	Premier Red	@	YCMS		YCMS
	PEMS	Premier Black		BYE		
	PEMS	Premier White	@	YCMS		YCMS
	PEMS	Champion	vs.	Langley Fundamental		Langley Fundamental

	Jamboree					Location
Dec. 1/26		Premier Red				HD Stafford
		Premier Black				Peter Ewart
		Premier White				Langley Christian
		Champion				HD Stafford

Grade 7 Boys Volleyball Schedule

Date		Team			Location
Nov. 4/26	PEMS	Premier Red	@	Betty Gilbert	Betty Gilbert
	PEMS	Champions	@	Langley Fundamental	Langley Fundamental
Nov. 18/26	PEMS	Premier Red	@	YCMS	YCMS
	PEMS	Champions	vs.	Langley Christian	PEMS
Nov. 25/26	PEMS	Premier Red	vs.	Langley Fundamental	PEMS
	PEMS	Champion	@	HD Stafford	HD Stafford

	Jamboree				Location
Dec. 2/26		Premier Red			YCMS
		Champion			Langley Christian

Grade 7 Girls Volleyball Schedule

Date		Team				Location
Nov. 4/26	PEMS	Premier Black	@	Langley Fundamental		Langley Fundamental
	PEMS	Premier Red	vs.	YCMS		PEMS
	PEMS	Champions	vs.	Langley Fundamental		PEMS
Nov. 11/26	No Games					
Nov. 18/26	PEMS	Premier Black	@	YCMS		YCMS
	PEMS	Premier Red	vs.	Betty Gilbert		PEMS
	PEMS	Champion	vs.	HD Stafford		HD Stafford
Nov. 25/26	PEMS	Premier Black	@	YCMS		YCMS
	PEMS	Premier Red	@	HD Staffoed		HD Stafford
	PEMS	Champion	vs.	Langley Christian		PEMS

	Jamboree					Location
Dec. 2/26		Premier Black				Langley Fundamental
		Premier Red				PEMS
		Champion				HD Stafford

Stay Connected With Us



PEMS will continue to work towards being a completely paperless school when it comes to communication with parents. In order to stay informed, please be sure you use at least one of the following on-line methods:

- **Email**: Email is a primary form of communication via MYEDBC or School Messenger. Please complete the school verification form that is sent home to ensure we have the most update contact information. The verification forms will be sent home with your child in the first two weeks of school.
- **Attendance:** If your child is going to be away from school – you can email pemsattendance@sd35.bc.ca to report the absence.
- **Instagram:** Follow us at www.instagram.com/peterewartmiddle
- **Website:** Stay up-to-date at https://www.sd35.bc.ca/pems
- **General School Inquiries:** Peterewart@sd35.bc.ca