

Weekly Bulletin
October 26-30, 2026

Halloween Fun!

Halloween is always an exciting time in elementary schools, and we are looking forward to a variety of fun classroom activities and learning experiences in the days ahead. As families prepare costumes, we ask that everyone help us create a safe and welcoming environment for all students. Costumes worn at school should not include weapons of any kind, masks, or any blood, gore, or frightening special effects. Thank you for helping us ensure that all children feel comfortable, included, and ready to enjoy the day's festivities.

We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our PAC for organizing another outstanding Trunk or Treat event. It was wonderful to see so many families come together to enjoy an evening filled with laughter, creativity, and community spirit. Events like these remind us of the strength of our school community and the important connections that support our students.

Thank you to our PAC members, parent volunteers, staff volunteers, and student leaders whose time, energy, and enthusiasm helped make the event such a tremendous success. Your commitment to our school is truly appreciated, and we are grateful for all that you do to make Noel Booth such a special place to learn and grow.

All the best,
Mrs. Melissa Wilsdon
Principal- Noel Booth Elementary

October Events	
Date	**Activity**
Monday, Oct. 26	• Spirit Week: PJ Day • PAC Pumpkin Patch • Div. 12, 13, 14, 17 Field Trip to Eagle Acres (10-12:15pm) • Gr. 4-7 Cross Country Practice (12-12:30pm)
Tuesday, Oct. 27	• Spirit Week: Halloween Colours Day • Div. 15 & 16 Field Trip to Alder Acres (9-12:30pm) • Gr. 4-7 Cross Country Championship Race @ Aldergrove Bowl (3:15-4pm)
Wednesday, Oct. 28	• Spirit Week: Spooky Hair Day • Langley Riverman Hockey Players in PE Class (1:30-2:30pm)
Thursday, Oct. 29	• Spirit Week: Freaky Thursday • Div. 1, 2, 3 Field Trip to Wild Play (9-2pm) • Langley Riverman Hockey Players in PE Class (1:30-2:30pm)
Friday, Oct. 30	• Spirit Week: Halloween Costumes • Informal Learning Update Sent Home • Pumpkin Carving in Gym (9-12pm) • Halloween Parade & Assembly (1:30-2:15pm)

Noel Booth Important Information	
Halloween Activities	We have a lot of exciting Halloween themed events this week! **<u>Spirit Week:</u>** As shown in the events above, we have Spirit Week all week. Here is a more detailed explanation of the upcoming events. Remember, if you choose to participate you do not need to purchase new items…use what you have! • **Monday, October 26 – PJ Day:** Come to school in your favourite pyjamas! • **Tuesday, October 27 – Halloween Colours Day:** Wear orange, black, purple, and/or green. • **Wednesday, October 28 – Spooky Hair Day:** Get creative with your spookiest, silliest, or most colourful hairstyle! • **Thursday, October 29 – Freaky Thursday:** Students dress like teachers, and teachers dress like students! • **Friday, October 30 – Halloween Costume Day:** Dress up in your favourite Halloween costume! **<u>PAC Pumpkin Patch (Monday, Oct. 26):</u>** Thank you to our amazing PAC for bringing in pumpkins from Port Kells for our school. There is no charge to participate, and all students will bring a pumpkin home. Please make sure to send a bag for your child's pumpkin. **<u>Pumpkin Carving (Friday, Oct. 30):</u>** Please "hallow" it out and return on Friday, Oct. 30th for your child to participate in Pumpkin Carving with their big buddy. As well, if you have any child-safe carving tools to send to school that would be greatly appreciated.

Use Sidewalks	The safety of our students and families is always our top priority. We ask everyone to use designated sidewalks and marked pedestrian pathways when walking to and from the school. Please avoid walking through driving lanes or crossing through areas where vehicles are actively moving, as this can make it difficult for drivers and pedestrians to see one another. By using the designated walkways, we can all help create a safer environment for our students.
PAC News	<u>PAC Treat Day</u> There is a special "pop up" treat day happening on Monday, Oct. 26th. This will be available after school starting at 2:35pm and will cost $1-$3. Enjoy!



District Information	
Road, Pedestrian, and School Bus Safety	With fewer 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 travelers on bikes or scooters should be careful at intersections, always use designated crosswalks, remove headphones and devices, and be aware of your surroundings. An important note for drivers, when a school bus has its red lights flashing, drivers travelling in either direction must stop. Students may be crossing the road to get to or from the bus. Please stop, stay alert, and do not proceed until it is safe.

	For more tips read this resource **Kids Pedestrian Safety** or visit ICBC's webpage **here.**
Gifts and Gatherings - Ready, Set, Learn Sessions	Gifts and Gatherings is a 90 min program from 8:30 - 10am hosted weekly at one of the Langley Strong Start sites. Any family member or caregiver is welcome to participate along with children ages 0-5 years. Families will explore activities that emphasize indigenous perspectives, highlighting the many interconnected gifts of land, people and animals. Experiences may include: art, sensory exploration, story-time, table top activities and more. During each session, participants will receive a gift that will allow families to continue to explore their learning at home. The program is intended to build connections between families and the school and to support children in their transition into Kindergarten. Please see the flyer below with locations and dates: **Gifts And Gatherings Dates - Fall 2026.jpeg**
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. Additional school health resources can be found on our website at fraserhealth.ca/schoolhealth.
MyEd Parent Consent Forms	Parent consent forms can now be received on MyEDBC. Families are asked to please log in to the **MyEDBC parent portal** and complete the process. A set of consent forms will need to be completed for each child attending a Langley school. It is advised to access MyEDBC and complete the parent consent

	forms using a desktop or laptop as the process requires the full site version (which is not mobile-friendly). For step-by-step instructions, please read **here**. More information can be found on the District website **here**.
Coats for Kids Campaign	Langley Coats for Kids Campaign! As the weather turns colder, many local students need our help to stay warm. 💛 Join us in spreading warmth and kindness by donating a **new or gently used winter coat** for a Langley student in need. 📅October 14th – 30th, 2026 📍Drop off donations at any Langley school or the Langley School Board Office (4875 222nd St.) Your support makes a real difference. Cash donations are also gratefully accepted to help purchase additional coats for students who need them most. 👉Donate here https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/148627 Together, we can make sure no child faces the cold without a warm coat.

Friendly Reminders	
Bike Locks	A friendly reminder that students will no longer be able to store their bikes inside the school. To help keep hallways clear and ensure a safe environment for everyone, students who ride their bikes to school will need to bring and use a bike lock to secure their bikes at the bike racks. Thank you for your support in helping students develop responsibility for their belongings.
Cell Phone Use	As part of the **BC Ministry of Education and Child Care's expectations for personal digital device use in schools**, cell phones should not be used during instructional time. Students may bring a cell phone to school, but it should remain turned off or on silent and stored safely in their backpack throughout the day. To support a safe and respectful learning environment, students should not be using cell phones before or after school when gathered with other students on school grounds. Photos, videos, or recordings of students, staff, or school activities are not permitted without permission.
Volunteering	We look forward to having you volunteer for the upcoming school events and field trips! Having families participate and be part of the learning environment is very important to our school community. We thank you greatly for taking the time to complete the necessary steps to ensure that our students are well protected. Further to previous communication regarding volunteering, you will need to complete the following steps to be approved to volunteer. - Watch the training video found at the link below

	- Get a PIC/CRC (bring to the office if not done online) - Complete: Community Volunteer Letter of Understanding - Complete: Volunteer Safety Check Application Remember, the purpose of this is to ensure safety for all students at Noel Booth! ---------- If you would like to volunteer for school events, classroom activities or field trips, please go to the District website for general information, training tools, and application information. Included in this is the process to apply for a Criminal Record Check (PIC/CRC). **Click Here: https://www.sd35.bc.ca/volunteers** • There is no longer a password required. The website offers **two options** for getting a PIC/CRC (online OR at RCMP detachment/Community Office). If you have any questions, please reach out to the school office at 604-530-9747.

Thank you,

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