



February 10, 2023

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear ACSS students and families,

This week at ACSS all students in Grades 9 - 11 were given 2023-2024 course planning sheets in grade assemblies. It is important for students and families to have conversations about course scheduling for next year. Next week, beginning on Valentine's Day (purely by coincidence) our students will meet with administrators and counselors to formally select course. We hope to have all students course selections completed by the end of February.

Wednesday evening, between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM, we welcomed students, parents, and families to a course planning information session. During this session, great questions were posed and answered. Even though we still have lots to accomplish this school year, we are very much looking forward to creating a multitude of student opportunities next year.

Wednesday, February 15th is an exciting day for us this year. ACSS will be the first secondary school in SD35 to implement PLC/Learning Hub time. As explained in the letters sent home to parents and families Wednesday night, the first block of the day on Wednesday, February 15th, will begin with PLC (Professional Learning Community) time for some staff while other staff and students engage in focused learning in Hubs of their choice located throughout the school. The first block of the day begins at 9:37 AM. Students who choose to attend the Learning Hubs will be welcomed at the school at the regular time of 8:45 AM.

Thank you to all in our community for your support of the school and all our students. We look forward to an engaging semester 2 of learning at ACSS.

For the most up-to-date information about school events and happenings please check out our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter pages, as well as our school website www.acsstotems.ca.

Thank you for reading this week's newsletter.

Mr. M. Palichuk
Principal
Aldergrove Community Secondary School





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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students of Aldergrove Secondary School:

Re: Professional Learning Community (PLC) Time in Schools

The District is sharing important information with students and families regarding semester 2. In alignment with the District's Strategic Plan, schools are continuing to implement strategies to help students embrace high levels of learning and to ensure the success of all students. One of the District's strategies is for schools to function as a Professional Learning Community (PLC), which allows educators to share knowledge and work together on a Response to Intervention (RTI) plan to support students. A Response to Intervention plan could include staff developing strategies for students who may struggle or need additional support, or staff encouraging enhanced opportunities for students who are extending in their learning. For this system to operate as a Professional Learning Community successfully, teachers and staff need appropriate time for collaboration (PLC time) built into the schedule. Some students will be able to use this PLC time to access additional support from teachers, explore new learning opportunities, and extend their learning to help build a stronger school community.

This time for collaboration (PLC time) may impact your child's schedule on designated days. Exact start and end times, as well as additional details specific to your school are included in an attached communication directly from the school's administration.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school administrator.

Sincerely,

Lisa Lainchbury
Assistant Superintendent

Marcello Moino
Assistant Superintendent

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Re: ACSS Learning Hub Days & Professional Learning Communities (PLC)s

Dear ACSS Parents/Guardians and Students,

We are excited to inform you of a new student and staff initiative for semester 2! As explained in the School District letter, **Professional Learning Communities (PLC)s for educators** and **Learning Hubs for students** are being added this semester to enhance learning across our community.

What are Learning Hub for students?

- Learning Hubs are designated tutorial rooms across different areas of the school. Learning Hub days are designed for students to have personal choice on where to attend to extend their learning. This differs from our typical format where students stay in RTI daily with their first block teacher. Students will have the opportunity to participate in Learning Hubs eight times during semester 2!
- Learning Hubs are staffed with multiple teachers, peer mentors (Totem Ambassadors) and support staff to work with students with personalized supports. Specific classroom teachers may not be available; but subject specialists will be available.
- Students are encouraged to sign up to a designated Learning Hub space the week before. Drop in spaces will always be open, too!

What is a PLC team for teachers?

- While students are in their Learning Hubs: rotating groups of educators will be meeting in Professional Learning Community (PLC) teams. These teams will be working to develop enhanced student learning supports, interventions, and enrichment activities.

What does this mean for you as a family?

- School hours are not changing; though, on these 8 days, students will have choice on how they spend this learning time.
- No need to change drop off times: all students are welcome to attend Learning Hub tutorial time, whether they need support in an area, or are interested in extending learning.
- We would like all students and families in our community to have an awareness that this new initiative is happening!



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Learning Hub Dates: Late start days or Learning Hub Days: save these dates on your calendar!

February 15

March 1

March 29

April 26

May 3

May 31

June 7

June 14

Learning Hub Days: Altered Bell Schedule

8:45 AM - 9:33 AM	Learning Hub Time
9:37 AM -10:44 AM	Block 1
10:49 AM -11:56 AM	Block 2
11:56 AM -12:31 PM	Lunch
12:36 PM -1:43 PM	Block 3
1:48 PM - 2:55 PM	Block 4

If you have any questions or concerns about these new opportunities, please contact your school administrators.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mike Palichuk

Principal

Ms. Michelle Allen

Vice-Principal

Mr. Greg Kilvert

Vice-Principal



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PLC/HUB FAQs:

What will students do during Hub Time?

Students may choose to access a Learning Hub from 8:45 AM to 9:33 AM on the PLC Day or they can choose to arrive for their first class at 9:37 AM.

Are students required to attend Hub Time?

There may be cases where a staff member needs a student to attend a Learning Hub to receive additional support, or to make up missed work. If a student is asked to attend, they are required to be in the Learning Hub.

If students choose not to attend a Learning Hub, can they still be at the school?

In order to ensure that students and staff can focus on learning, students are required to either be in a Learning Hub or be off-campus. Students are not permitted to hang out in hallways or on campus. Again, students are required to either be in a Learning Hub or be off campus on PLC days.

Will clubs, rehearsals, practices etc... be running during Hub Time?

Hub Time is exclusively for students to access Learning Hubs. Outside the timetable classes, rehearsals, practices and clubs will all happen outside of Learning Hub time.

Will Breakfast Club be open on PLC/Hub days?

Yes. Breakfast Club will be open as per usual on PLC/Hub days.





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2023 Upcoming Dates

February

February 10 — Professional Development Day — ***school not in session***

February 15 — Grade 9 Immunization forms sent home

February 20 — Family Day — ***school closed***

February 22 — Grade 9 Immunizations

March

March 8 — Parent / Teacher Interviews — ***1 hour early dismissal***

March 9 — Parent / Teacher Interviews — ***1 hour early dismissal***

March 13 — 24 — Spring Break — ***school not in session***

ACSS Concert Band

We will be performing at the **District Concert Band Festival**, at RE Mountain

Secondary School on **Wednesday, February 15th at 7:00 pm**. This concert will feature bands from all the secondary schools in the Langley District. Feel free to swing by and support our music students.



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MONTHLY CALENDAR

February 2023 – ACSS Course Planning Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
		Course Guide Displayed on School Walls		Grad 2023 Assembly 10 AM
6	7	8	9	10
Grade 9 Assembly 10 AM		Grade 11 Assembly 10 AM Parent Information Evening 7 – 8 PM Current Gr. 9-11	Gr. 9 and Gr. 10-12 Course Planning Booklets available on ACSS website	District Pro-D Day
13	14	15	16	17
		Gr. 9 Immunization Packages go home District Concert Band Festival – 7pm		
20	21	22	23	24
Family Day	MyEd Course Selection System Closes 3 PM	Diversity & Respect Week Immunizations take place with Fraser Health		
27	28	March 1	March 2	3
Students fine tune course selections with counsellors	Students fine tune course selections with counsellors	Students fine tune course selections with counsellors	Students fine tune course selections with counsellors	



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Langley Secondary Musical Theatre Company

Langley Secondary Musical Theatre Company would like to invite you to see this year's show, Mary Poppins! (We had hoped to also stream the show, but Disney has removed all their full shows from the streaming license, so live is the only way to see the show.)

We have a cast and crew of 50 students plus a full orchestra made up of students and community members, all working hard to make the magic of the show come to life. Audiences of all ages will enjoy the story of the world's most famous nanny.

See below for show times and the link for purchasing tickets online. You can also pay in cash at the door (\$12 for seniors or students, \$14 for adults). Just reserve your seats by emailing lssmarypoppins@gmail with the show date and number of seats requested.

Thursday Feb 23 @ 7 pm

Friday Feb 24 @ 7 pm

Saturday Feb 25 @ 2 pm

Saturday Feb 25 @ 7 pm

Thursday March 2 @ 7 pm

(Alumni and Staff night!)

Friday March 3 @ 7 pm

Saturday March 4 @ 2 pm

Saturday March 4 @ 7 pm

Tickets can be purchased online here: <https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/44195/111/False/True>

See you at the theatre!



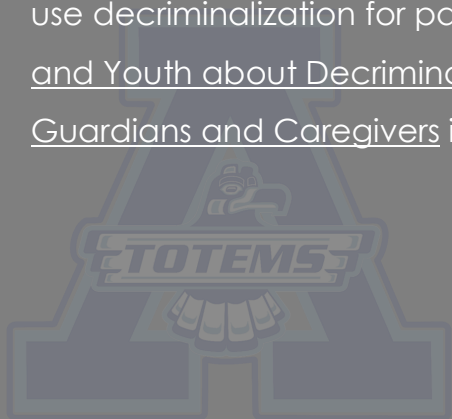
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SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

This is a reminder that NOW is the time to apply for scholarships. The package that included the Langley Foundation Scholarships and District Authority Award Scholarships sent out in a previous email to all parents and students is due to be completed by February 28 to be considered. There are many categories for scholarships other than high grades, and all those planning to attend a post-secondary school after graduation should apply. Any questions can be directed to Mrs. Gimpel, the Career Advisor, at agimpel@sd35.bc.ca

Substance Use Decriminalization Information for Parents, Guardians and Caregivers

The Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Child Care, has developed an information sheet on substance use decriminalization for parents, guardians, and caregivers. Talking to Children and Youth about Decriminalization and Substance Use: Resources for Parents/ Guardians and Caregivers is now available on the erase website.





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THE **LSS MUSICAL THEATRE**
COMPANY PRODUCTION OF

DISNEY AND CAMERON MAKINTOSH'S

**MARY
POPPINS**

A MUSICAL BASED ON THE STORIES OF
P.L. TRAVERS AND THE WALT DISNEY FILM

ORIGINAL MUSIC AND LYRICS BY

RICHARD M. SHERMAN AND
ROBERT B. SHERMAN

NEW SONGS AND ADDITIONAL
MUSIC AND LYRICS BY

GEORGE STILES
AND
ANTHONY DREW

CO-CREATED BY

CAMERON MACKINTOSH

BOOK BY

JULIAN FELLOWES

PERFORMANCES AT 7PM:

FEBRUARY 23, 24, 25

MARCH 2, 3, 4

2PM MATINEE:

FEBRUARY 25, MARCH 4

CONTACT

LSSMARYPOPPINS@GMAIL.COM

FOR TICKETING INFORMATION

MARY POPPINS IS PRESENTED THROUGH SPECIAL AGREEMENT WITH MUSICAL THEATRE INTERNATIONAL (MTI). ALL AUTHORIZED PERFORMANCE MATERIALS ARE ALSO SUPPLIED BY MTI. WWW.MTISHOWS.COM



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SCHOOL DISTRICT

Langley

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



Come as a Visitor, Leave as a Friend

HOMESTAY FAMILIES NEEDED

Have a life changing experience and welcome an international student into your home!
Homestay families are provided **\$950/month** to offset costs!

CATCHMENT AREA SCHOOLS:	HOW TO APPLY:	FURTHER INFORMATION:
Aldergrove Community Secondary Brookwood Secondary Langley Secondary Walnut Grove Secondary Langley Fine Arts Secondary Langley Fundamental Secondary R.E. Mountain Secondary D.W. Poppy Secondary	Please visit our International Student Program website (Homestay section): www.studyinlangley.com and complete the online Homestay Application!	Please contact: Langley School District International Students Program Tel: 604-534-7891 We are located at the Langley School Board Office 4875 - 222 Street, Langley, BC

Grade 9 Immunizations

On February 15 all Grade 9 students will receive an envelope (specific to their name) with information from Fraser Health about the immunizations that will be taking place at ACSS on Wednesday, February 22. These are regular scheduled immunizations. If you have any questions, it is recommended that you contact Fraser Health. We do not have any further information at the school.

It is requested that a parent or guardian sign the consent form and then students are asked to return the envelope to the main office no later than Friday, February 17. If your child did not receive a form there will be forms for them to complete at the time of immunization.



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Date **Sep 15, 2022**

Grade 9 routine immunizations are starting soon at school

Public Health will send home an immunization consent package for grade 9 students.

When students are in grade 9 we review their immunization records and offer all routine vaccines they need to be complete for their age.

When the consent package is received:

- ✓ Review the consent package (which will include all immunization history)
- ✓ Confirm the immunization record is complete. If it is not complete you can submit the record by:
 - Including it with the signed consent form and returning it to the school
 - Submitting it online to us at: fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform
- ✓ Complete and sign the consent form
- ✓ Return the signed consent form to the school sealed in the envelope provided

COVID-19 and Influenza (Flu) vaccines

Please note that COVID-19 and Influenza vaccines are only available at COVID-19 and Influenza immunization clinics and will not be offered at the school immunization clinics.

The COVID-19 and Influenza vaccines are provided free to everyone who is eligible. For more information and to learn how to book a vaccination appointment, please visit:

- COVID-19 vaccine – gov.bc.ca/GetVaccinated
- Influenza vaccine – immunizebc.ca/clinics/flu

For more information, please contact your local public health unit or visit our website at: fraserhealth.ca/immunizations.

To view this in other languages scan the QR code



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Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese)

فارسی (Farsi)

Soomaali (Somali)

www.fraserhealth.ca

Regional Immunization Program



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School & Wellness Nursing Team

Our team operates at the individual school level. Schools K-12 in a neighbourhood are assigned to School and Wellness Public Health Nurse/s.

What we do

- 1. Immunization and Communicable Disease**
 - Immunize children against vaccine-preventable diseases
 - Respond to outbreaks of disease/s
- 2. General Health Consultations**
 - Support students, families, and school staff access health resources
- 3. Health Education/Capacity Building**
 - Support school staff in accessing resources to teach health based curricula
 - Provide online resources for school staff to support students with medical conditions such as anaphylaxis, seizures, and diabetes
- 4. Health Promotion Messaging**
 - Provide health promotion messaging

School Health Resource

Visit our School Health web resource for:
Health Information for students 5 to 18 years old,
Tips for parents and school staff.



Scan the QR code or visit fraserhealth.ca/schoolhealth

Healthlink BC

Health questions? Call 8-1-1 anytime 24/7 or visit www.healthlinkbc.ca for free access to non-emergency health information and advice from a nurse, dietitian, exercise professional or pharmacist.



Contact Us

You can contact your Public Health School and Wellness Nursing team via phone or email:

Email: schoolnurselangley@fraserhealth.ca

Abbotsford Tel: 604-864-3400	Agassiz Tel: 604-793-7160	Burnaby Tel: 604-918-7605	Chilliwack Tel: 604-702-4900	Cloverdale, Surrey Tel: 604-575-5100	Guildford, Surrey Tel: 604-587-4750
Hope Tel: 604-860-7630	Langley Tel: 604-539-2900	Maple Ridge Tel: 604-476-7000	Mission Tel: 604-814-5500	New Westminster Tel: 604-777-6740	Tri-Cities, Port Moody Tel: 604-949-7200
Newton, Surrey Tel: 604-592-2000	North Delta Tel: 604-507-5400	North Surrey Tel: 604-587-7900	South Delta Tel: 604-952-3550	White Rock Tel: 604-542-4000	



Revised: Sept 15, 2022



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GRAD 2023

NEWSLETTER

Friday, February 10 2023

Grad news provided by Ms. Caines - for any questions, please email kcaines@sd35.bc.ca or call 604-856-2521

Grad Meeting

We held our second all-grads meeting of the year on Friday, Feb 3rd during RTI time. There we conveyed some important info to the grad class about Semester 2. As we get closer to grad, we will be holding regular meetings with our 2023 cohort to pass on info for commencement ticket distribution, prom ticket purchase, and other grad events that they will want to participate in.

Important Dates

- **February 21-22** - Grad Photo Retakes. Missed your appointment? Don't love your original photos? Retakes will be at the school in February. This will be the last opportunity to get photos in the yearbook and on the composite.
- **Grad Rides (for the yearbook)** - Photos will take place on a sunny day before Spring Break. Stay tuned for more information.
- **Senior Superlatives (for the yearbook)** - will be voted on after Spring Break
- **June 12th 2023** - Grad Rehearsal, Grad Walk, Grad Convocation Ceremony (more info to be provided in due course, but this date has been confirmed and booked at Christian Life Assembly in Langley.)
- **June 16th 2023** - Strawberry Tea & Grad Banquet (Prom). More info to be provided in due course, but this date has been confirmed and booked at Clarion Hotel in Abbotsford (by Castle Fun Park).

Yearbooks

If there was ever a year to purchase yearbooks, this is it: your grad year! We currently only have 90 yearbooks left that can be sold; we will sell out. Don't miss out on your grad yearbook.

Dry Grad

Meeting Feb 7 2023

Dry Grad is a parent organized and parent sponsored event that takes place immediately after Banquet/Prom. Dry Grad parents were at the school in mid January to conduct a vote for the location of the Dry Grad. Using a democratic model, our grads voted through a secret ballot for the location and the group overwhelmingly voted in favour of ACUCC over Castle Fun Park. Our Dry Grad parents continue to develop fundraising strategies to ensure all grads will have equal access to the event and will be reaching out to grads to find out what activities they would like to have during the evening of the Dry Grad.

1. Based on the information presented, I would like Dry Grad to be held here (this list is alphabetical) :

[More Details](#)

- Aldergrove Credit Union Comm... 52
- Castle Fun Park 27

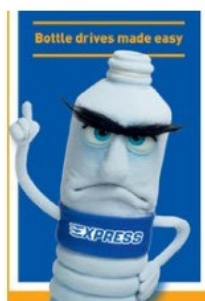




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CLASS OF 2023 ACSS DRY GRAD BOTTLE RETURN FUNDRAISER!



Bring your unsorted containers in transparent bags to any Return-It Express location



Log in at the Express label stand using the ACSS phone number 604-856-2521



Using the label stand, print off the labels, tag each of your bags, and leave them with Return-It staff



They'll sort your contains and credit the Class of 2023 ACSS Dry Grad account!

BLACK & LEE

Dry Grad Fundraiser - Just mention Aldergrove Community Secondary

When your grads purchase or rent their formal attire from us for **any Grad event**, we contribute to your grad celebration

Level 1 <i>We send your grad class a cheque for \$150 when 10+ shop with us.</i>	Level 2 <i>We send your grad class a cheque for \$250 when 20+ shop with us.</i>
Level 3 <i>We send your grad class a cheque for \$400 when 30+ shop with us.</i>	Level 4 <i>We send your grad class a cheque for \$700 when 50+ shop with u</i>



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GLOBAL COFFEE FUNDRAISING



Prom Night - **LIGHT ROAST** \$17.50

This lighter blend will give you a bold flavor that wakes you up, and a smooth flavor that will make you happy you didn't hit that snooze button.

Memory Lane - **MEDIUM ROAST** \$17.50

A carefully crafted blend designed just for Aldergrove Community Secondary Grad Students, specially roasted to create a rich, sweet coffee. A favorite all-day coffee!

Forever Totems - **DARK ROAST** \$17.50

This is not your average joe. This four bean blend is roasted to perfection and will have you chugging your mug and begging for more.

Dry Grad 2023 Decaf - **SWP DECAF** \$17.50

All the flavor of real coffee without the jolt! This Brazilian decaf offers a traditional rich, bold cup of coffee, using the 100% chemical-free "Swiss Water Process" of decaffeination.

NEW! *ACSS Classic* - **PREMIUM HOT CHOCOLATE** \$17.50

The kids need something fun! Stock up with a 454 gram bag of specialty gourmet hot chocolate.

Help Support
ACSS GRAD
2023

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Roasted in
Maple Ridge!



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Global Coffee Fundraising • www.globalcoffeefundraising.ca • phone: 604.618.6085



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DON'T MISS
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YEARBOOKS!

ON SALE NOW!
\$70 UNTIL SPRING BREAK
WE WILL SELL OUT!
ORDER ON [SCHOOCASHONLINE](https://www.schoocashonline.com)





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Reading Buddies



Reading Buddies is a program that pairs high school students in Grades 10 to 12 with kids in Grades 1 to 3 who need extra help with reading.

To learn more or to apply online to be a big or little buddy:
<https://langleyliteracynetwork.com/reading-buddies/>



Langley Literacy Network

Weaving Literacy Throughout The Community



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Langley Community
Services Society

AND

THE CHILDREN'S
FOUNDATION

PRESENTS

TAMING THE WORRY DRAGONS

Thought Stopping

Relaxation

Courage

Exercise
and Diet



Mindful Breathing



What: FREE 8 Session Psycho-Educational Group for kids who struggle with anxiety. Parent Participation Required.

Who: Children ages 5-7

When: Every Tuesday 5-6:30 pm starting February 7th

Where: The Welcome Center 6470 201 St.

Contact Megan Zurak for more info. P: 604-533-7920 ext.1308 E: mzurak@lcss.ca



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Meet our Community School Coordinator – **Stephanie Eby**

See link here: <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/district-board-news/view/connecting-with-the-community-gg-with-community-school-coordinators/>

Community School Coordinator

Did you know that you can reach out to me for needs like food, housing,

program support, and other community needs?

My role is to connect students and families to community supports, provide out of school programming, and bring resources into the community.

You can reach out by phone or email or book an appointment through the link below.

Stephanie Eby

Aldergrove Community
Schools Coordinator

c. 604.862.5943

e. seby@sd35.bc.ca

To book an appointment,
click [HERE](#)

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HUNGRY KIDS AT OUR
LOCAL SCHOOLS**

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Each bag will contain one individual unit of products shown above. Fresh fruit to be supplied on day of delivery.
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