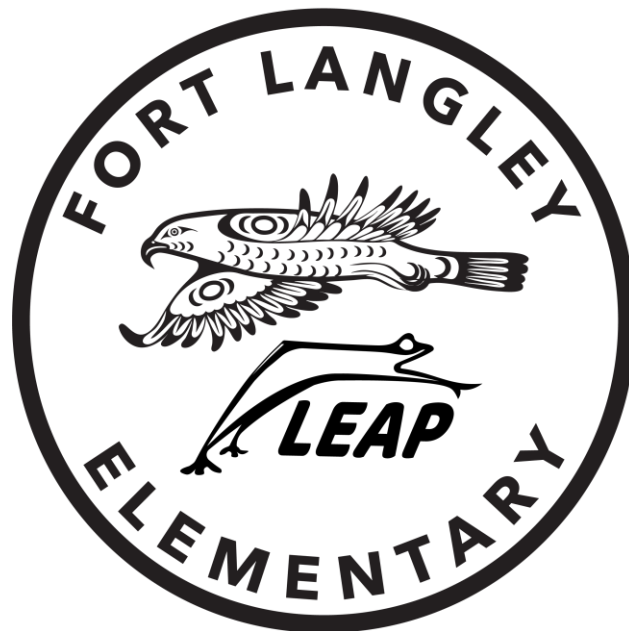




Fort Langley Elementary Parent Newsletter-June 2024 (Modified for website)



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Mr. L. Kitteringham, Principal-lkitteringham@sd35.bc.ca

Mrs. J. Boivin, Administrative Assistant-jboivin@sd35.bc.ca

We acknowledge that we reside on the traditional unceded traditional territories of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Semiahmoo and Matsqui First Nations.

We are an inclusive and caring community of learners, devoted to the journey of becoming responsible citizens



On the Horizon



June 20th-Tropical Vacation Spirit Day

June 21st-Grade 7 Celebration (offsite)-5pm

June 25th-Grade 7s going to D.W. Poppy for a Tour (9:30am-11:30am)

June 26th-Grade 7 School Leaving Ceremony at FLE (3:30-5:30pm)-in our gym

June 27th-Final Learning Summary (Report Card) Published to MyEd & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation (early dismissal at 11:35am)

June 28th-Administrative Day (students not in attendance)



**BE SURE TO SCROLL ALL THE WAY DOWN THROUGH THIS NEWSLETTER
TO CHECKOUT LOTS OF AMAZING PHOTOS OF OUR STUDENTS/STAFF
IN ACTION**



FLE Staff Appreciation Day-Thursday June 6th

Thank you to all the parents that helped royally pamper our amazing staff on this special day. The staff could not stop praising the quality and abundance of food. Special thank you to Rose Kovacs, Sarah Clarke, Sam Borland, Julie Moore, and Danielle McKenzie.





Look At Us Go!

Some parents may have noticed that we have significantly upgraded some of our outdoor seating recently. As you can see, the students have certainly noticed as the tables are in constant use throughout the day. THANK YOU TO PAC AND THOSE THAT ATTEND THE GALA AS THE PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT ALLOWED US TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL THESE EXTERIOR TABLES.

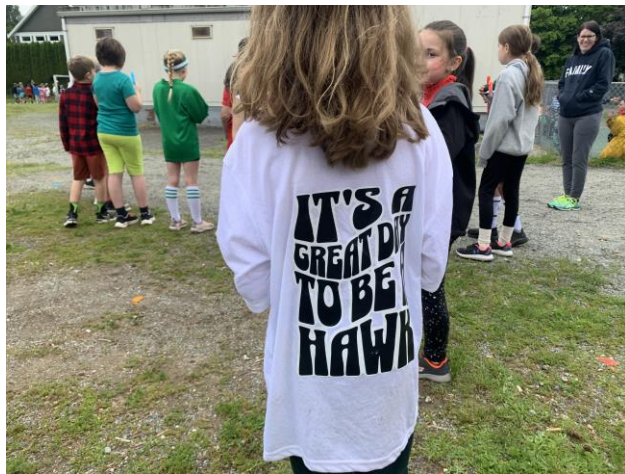


FLE Sports Day Extravaganza-June 14th



2 - The Blue Team won by the slimiest of margins!



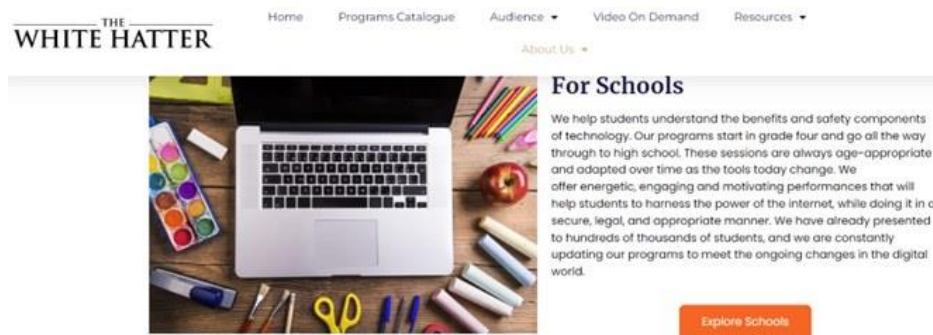




White Hatter Presentations-Digital Literacy and Internet Safety



3 - [Click Here](#)



4 - <https://thewhitehatter.ca/>

Just this past week we were fortunate enough to be able to host two live virtual presentations which were streamed into the appropriate classrooms. Thank you to PAC for covering the cost of these very important sessions.

Thurs Jun 13th - Digital Literacy, Privacy, and Opportunities Gr 6/7 Program 8:30am - 9:45am

Thurs June 13th - Digital Literacy and Internet Safety Gr 4/5 Program 10:15am - 11:30am

Not returning to FLE next September? Please alert us



Moving? Child attending a different school next year? Please swing by the office and alerted admin assistant Judy Boivin or fire her an email at jboivin@sd35.bc.ca

Student and Class Placements-Parent Input

Parents/guardians can share vital info about their child that might be important when making decisions about student placements for next year. This info will be kept confidential and will be for the Principal's eyes only. That said, please be respectful in your comments and focus on the needs of your child and what is most important for their success in the classroom as we plan for next year. Completing this form is not a guarantee regarding placements for next year. There are many factors that go into creating classes and we always do our best to set students up for success. [Click Here](#)

Factors in Class Placement Decisions:

As we meet in June to tentatively place each child in a class for the fall, a number of factors influence the decision-making process. These include:

- The child's intellectual, social, emotional and behavioural development
- Preferred learning styles of the child
- The child's physical and social maturity
- The child's interactions and relationships with other students
- The age of the child
- School-based team recommendations
- Social dynamics in a class setting
- The balance of leaders in a class
- Student friendships
- Gender balance in a class

- The number of years a child has been with the same teacher
- Classroom enrichment or support needed

While each factor is important, they are weighted differently depending on each individual student.



Student Placements For 2024-25

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1. What is your child's name? (First, Last) *

Enter your answer

2. What grade is your child going into next year? *

Enter your answer

3. What would you like to share regarding your child and their potential placement for next year? *

Enter your answer

5 - <https://forms.office.com/r/taH8uJbfvr>

Final Learning Summary (Report Cards)-Published June 27th

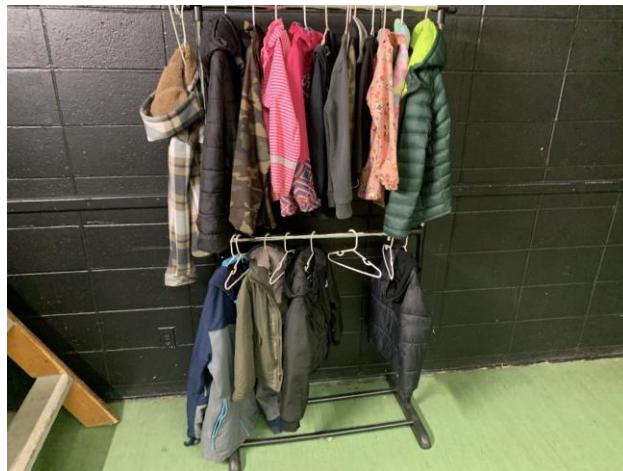


The Final Learning Summary can be accessed on the online portal of MyBCed after June 27th. Please make sure that your account is set up prior to report cards being published . If you are new to our school district, please make sure to set up your account. Please see the graphic below for guidance on how to set up your account. If you need support, you can create an assistance ticket [here](#).



Our Lost and Found Is Bursting and Overflowing

We strongly encourage all parents to swing by our lost and found which is located on the stage in the gym. WE PROBABLY HAVE SOMETHING THAT BELONGS TO YOU! **We will be donating any unclaimed items in early July!**



FLE Creation Contest-2024/25 Agenda Cover

A huge Hawk salute to all the students that took the time and effort to submit an entry into this year's Student Planner Contest. As you can see below, we have some very talented artists. Unfortunately, there can be only one winner and our staff have made their selection and it was almost unanimous.

HOME of The Hawks!



Treat others the way you
would like to be treated

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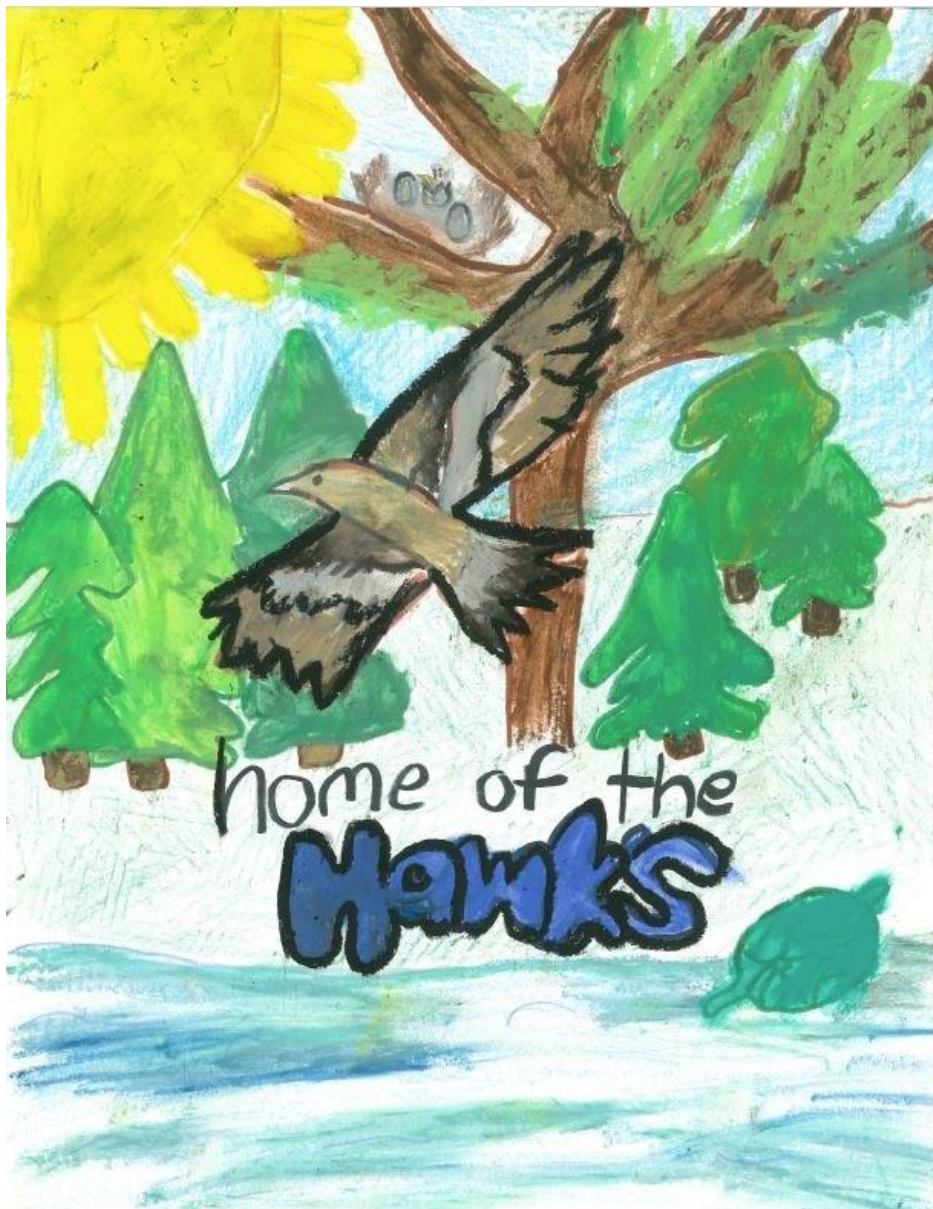
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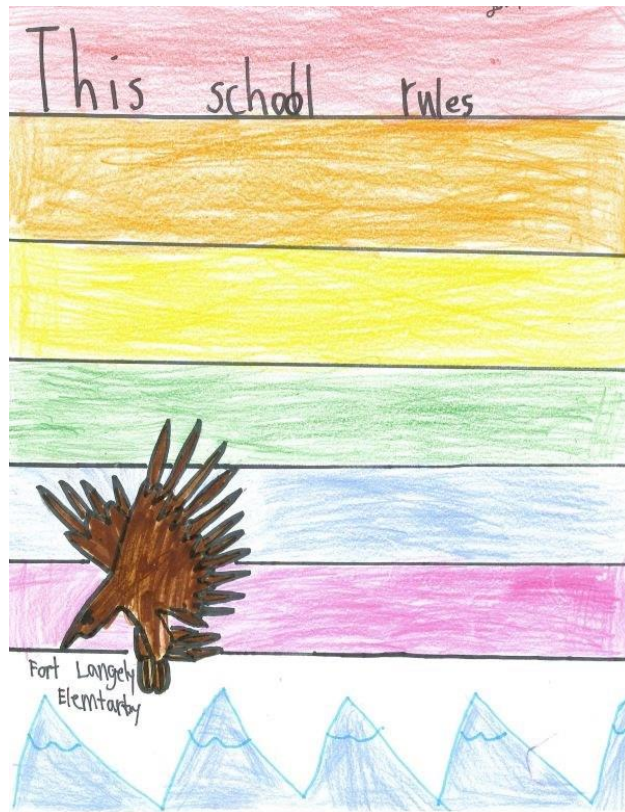
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Fort Langley Elementary

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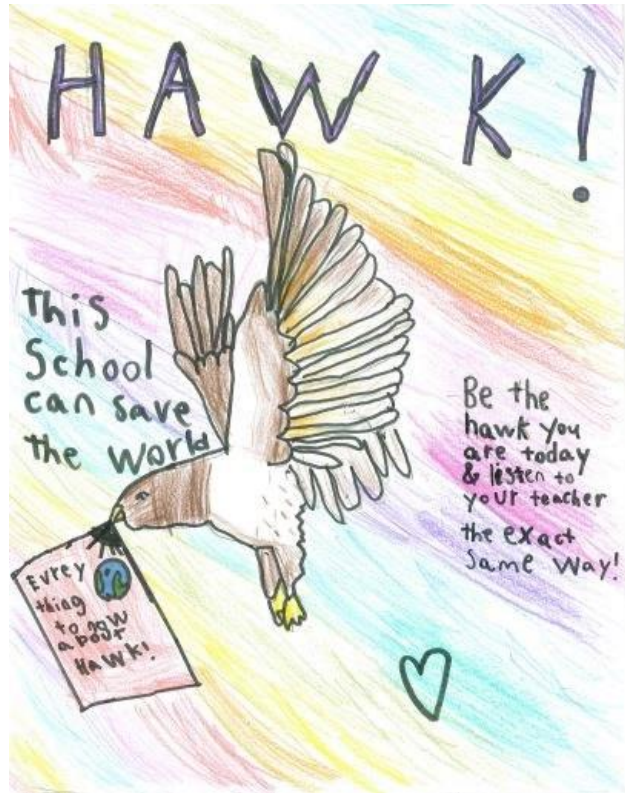
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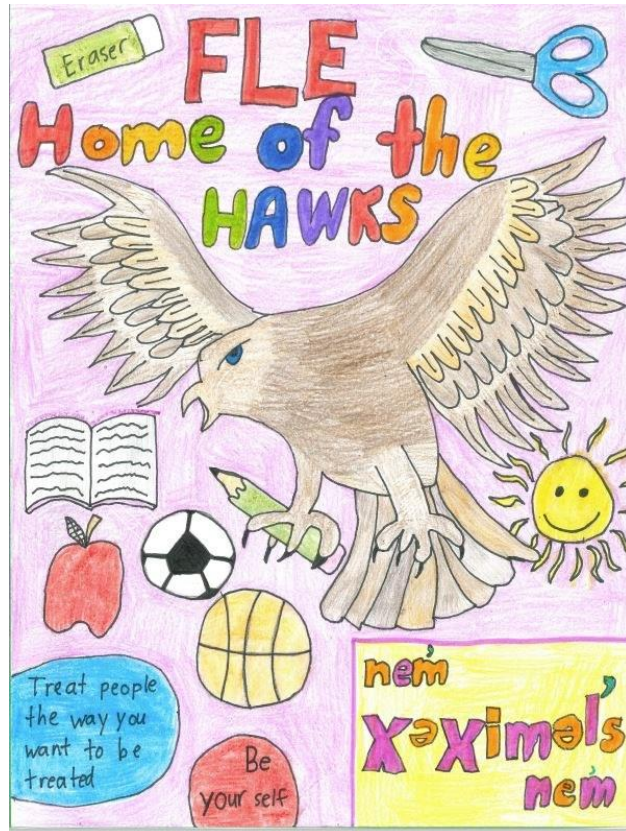
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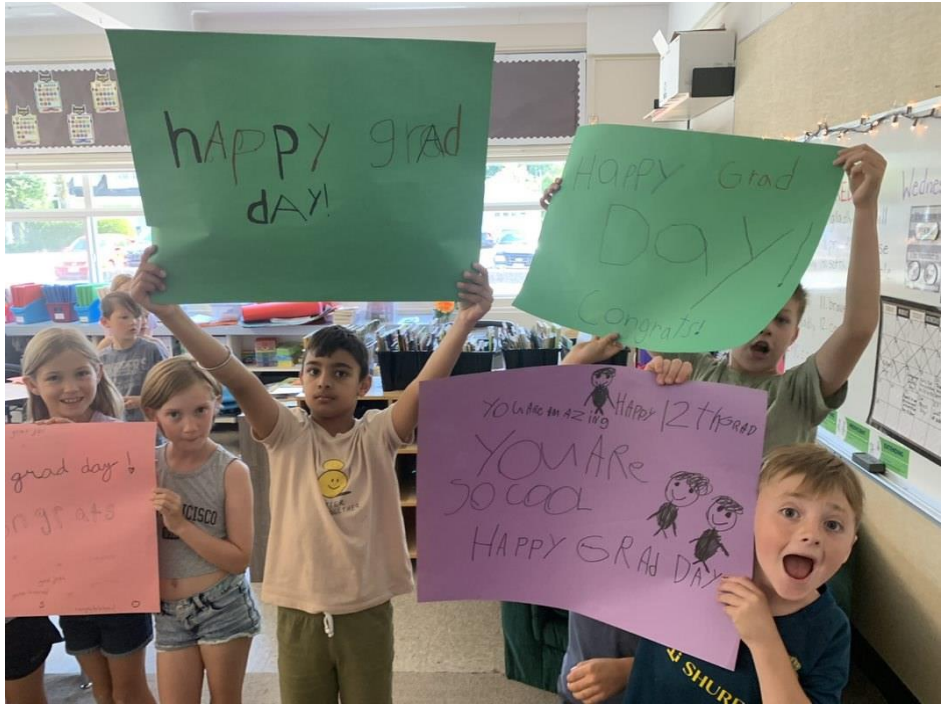
Winner



6 - Congrats and thank you to grade 5 student Riordan Page-his creation will proudly be displayed on our student planners for next year.

Our Annual Grad Walk Took Place Today-June 19th

It was heartwarming to see D.W. Poppy grads return to their FLE roots this morning. Our students cheered and high-fived the grads as they triumphantly paraded through the hallways.





7 - A touching moment as a graduating student asks to embrace her former teacher-the amazing and lovely Ms. Housley



8 - Many years ago....



9 - Same students today!

FLE Spirit Days-Tomorrow June 20th



TROPICAL VACATION



BEACH DAY



You can wear:

- tropical shirts
- leis
- and anything else tropical!

Thursday

June
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National Indigenous History Month



10 - Our grade 6/7 Indigenous Language students, led by the talented educator Sesmelot, organized and executed a successful Indigenous Languages Games this past Tuesday.



As June unfolds, Langley students and staff will join in the celebration of National Indigenous History Month and on June 21, National Indigenous Peoples Day. These opportunities provide us with meaningful opportunities to recognize and honor the traditions, diverse cultures, and contributions of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples across Canada.

This month, we should reflect on the profound history and resilience of Indigenous peoples in shaping the cultural tapestry of our nation. Indigenous communities have always enriched our shared heritage through vibrant cultures, languages, and ways of life. As we celebrate National Indigenous History Month

and National Indigenous Peoples Day, we must assert our commitment to reconciliation, respect, and mutual understanding.

As Murray Sinclair said, “Education has gotten us into this mess, and education will get us out.” A critical step in reconciliation is learning about Indigenous culture and history.

Dress Code Reminder

As the weather warms up, a reminder that we have a District Dress code that all staff and students are required to adhere to. Please review with your student/s.

Langley School District Dress Guidelines

The intent of a dress guideline is to set expectations to assist students, staff, and parents in decision-making with respect to clothing. It is not intended to be prescriptive nor punitive, but to provide a level of clarity so that correction or discipline is not required.

Dress guidelines are intended to incorporate individual preferences for students and their families to dress in a manner that they choose. Individual choice is however tempered by a responsibility to recognize that a school is a learning and working environment, in which there is an expectation of reasonableness.

Staff members have a responsibility to assist students in understanding and abiding by the District dress guidelines. Parents have a responsibility to support appropriate dress for the school and the workplace.

Clothing should be comfortable and allow a student to participate safely in activities such as physical education, science experiments, and/or shop projects. Clothing should demonstrate a respect for the school community. Clothing should meet standards of suitability that are typical of an office workplace and should not be offensive to others.

Articles of clothing that promote alcohol or drugs, that display offensive language or images, or that encourage sexism, racism or bigotry are not acceptable in a school. Clothing bearing direct or indirect messages or graphics referring to gang culture, sex or pornography, weapons or violence will not be permitted.

When there are differences in perspective, all involved have a duty to seek common understanding in a mutually respectful manner. Ultimately, the school administration has the responsibility to apply the dress guidelines when necessary. If any person dresses in an inappropriate manner, the student should be advised personally and discretely and given an opportunity to meet the District guidelines.

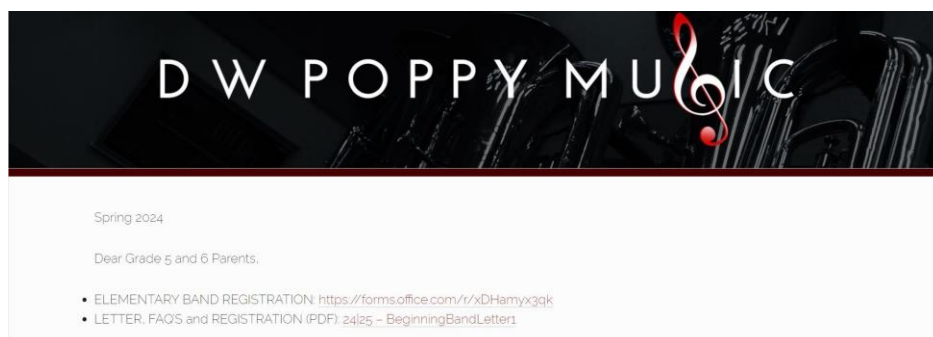
Next Year's 2024-25 School Calendar

School District #35 (Langley) 2024-2025 School Calendar Elementary Schools

MONTH	DATE	
September	Sep 2 (M)	Labour Day (Schools Closed)
	Sep 3 (T)	Schools Open
	Sep 30 (M)	Truth and Reconciliation Day (Schools Closed)
October	Oct 4 (F)	School Improvement Day (students not in attendance)
	Oct 14 (M)	Thanksgiving (Schools Closed)
	Oct 25 (F)	Professional Development Day (Provincial - students not in attendance)
November	Nov 8 (F)	Learning Update Prep/Design & Assessment Day (students not in attendance)
	Nov 11 (M)	Remembrance Day (Schools Closed)
	Nov 27 (W)	Student Inclusive Conferences
	Nov 28 (Th)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
December	Dec 20 (F)	Last Day Prior to Winter Break
January	Jan 6 (M)	Schools Re-Open After Winter Break
February	Feb 10 (M)	Professional Development Day (District - students not in attendance)
	Feb 17 (M)	Family Day (Schools Closed)
	Feb 24 (M)	Learning Update Prep/Design & Assessment Day (students not in attendance)
March	Mar 5 (W)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences
	Mar 6 (Th)	Student Inclusive Conferences
	Mar 14 (F)	Last Day Prior to Spring Break
	Mar 31 (M)	Schools Re-Open After Spring Break
April	Apr 18 (F)	Good Friday (Schools Closed)
	Apr 21 (M)	Easter Monday (Schools Closed)
May	May 16 (F)	Professional Development Day (District - students not in attendance)
	May 19 (M)	Victoria Day (Schools Closed)
June	Jun 26 (Th)	Final Learning Update Issued & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation
	Jun 27 (F)	Administrative Day (students not in attendance)
July / August		Summer Session

SD35 Board of Education Meeting
APPROVED: April 23, 2024

Current FLE Grade 5 and 6 Parents-Band for 2024-2025



11 - <http://dwpoppymusic.com/elementaryband/>

Dear Grade 5 and 6 Parents,

- ELEMENTARY BAND REGISTRATION: <https://forms.office.com/r/xDHamyx3qk>
- LETTER, FAQ'S and REGISTRATION (PDF): [24|25 – BeginningBandLetter1](#)

We are very excited to let you know that next year's grade 6 and 7 students will have the opportunity to take Band again in 2024|25. Students will have the option of selecting Band another Fine Arts/Music option at their school to be determined. We look forward to working with both beginning and experienced musicians next fall culminating some of the great activities that grow out of learning an instrument including concerts, festivals, ESPRESSIVO and the award-winning DW Poppy Elementary Honour Band, who has received multiple invitations to MusicFest Canada, the Canadian National Music Festival.

Beyond experiencing the joy of making music, involvement in band develops a group of friends that lasts a lifetime and establishes some rather profound environmental influences which will help determine many of your child's successes in school well beyond music. We know that engaged band students represent the top of the academic scale in school, they average higher scores on SAT tests, indicating stronger verbal and math skills. We also know that most band students enjoy a successful academic high school career, go on to post-secondary education and become the leaders in our society. The top academic achiever and the band student are one and the same.

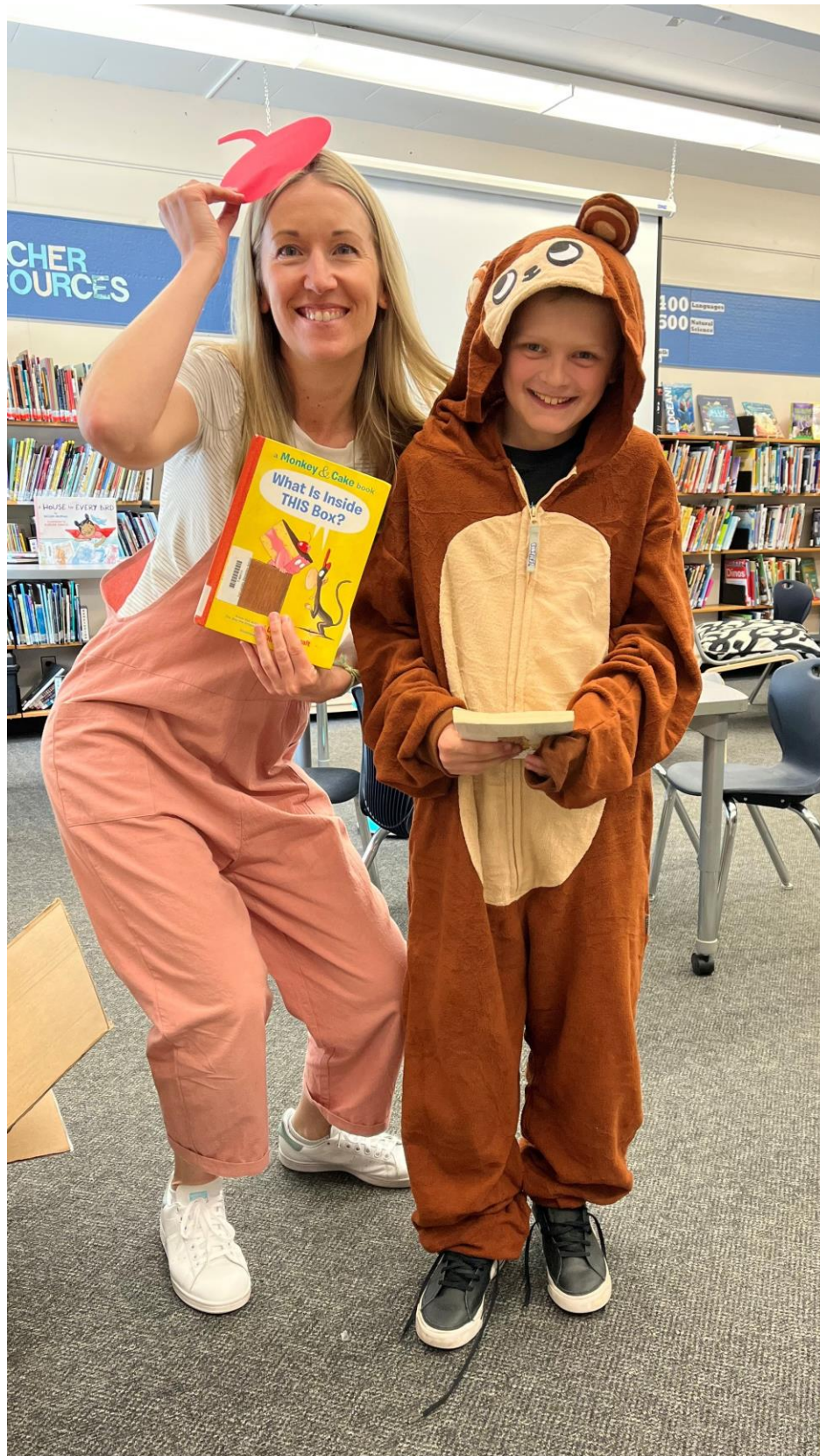
Membership in band is one of the most positive experiences you can offer your child, helping nurture and develop self-discipline, social and communication skills, positive self-image, cooperation and creativity through their study of music. It is an investment in your child's future as these life-skills will be an important foundation for the various responsibilities they take on later in life.

You can register through the DW Poppy Music website online here (<https://forms.office.com/r/xDHamyx3gk>) or complete the PDF registration form and return it to your child's school by Friday, May 3 or scan and email it to mfollett@sd35.bc.ca. If your child participated in band as a grade 6 this year, we encourage students to continue with their previous instrument, but if they would like to switch, please let us know so we can make the move that best improves your child's chance of success.

Mark Follett – mfollett@sd35.bc.ca

DW Poppy Director of Bands and Elementary Band Coordinator

Go Ahead-Make their day!



Help brighten up a FLE staff member's day! I want to find ways to spotlight, highlight, and celebrate the amazing unsung heroes in our building that do important work on a daily basis. Please use this link to anonymously share your words of encouragement, appreciation, and praise for someone special in our building. These quotes will be shared on our hallway TV screen, in our weekly staff newsletters, and at the beginning of staff meetings.

<https://forms.office.com/r/k6bs9PPtvt>

Community News and Opportunities



Media inquiries on this or other Township of Langley topics can be submitted at: tol.ca/mediainquiries.



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News Release

For Immediate Release: May 23, 2024

Children and Youth Can Be Active While School's Out with a Summer Fun Pass

Langley, BC – The Summer Fun Pass gives children and youth the opportunity to be active and enjoy unlimited drop-in access to pools, fitness centres, and gymnasiums at Township of Langley recreation facilities throughout the summer. Additionally, children and youth will receive free admission to Family Night and Youth Night events at The Outdoor Experience at Aldergrove Community Centre.

The Summer Fun Pass is available to children (4 to 12 years old) and youth (13 to 18 years old) for a one-time cost of \$25 including tax. The pass is valid from Friday, June 28 to Monday, September 2.

A Summer Fun Pass for children includes:

- swimming pools and public swim sessions, including hot tubs
- drop-in family gymnasium sport sessions
- admission to Family Night events at The Outdoor Experience at Aldergrove Community Centre on Wednesday, July 17 and Wednesday, August 28. Advance online registration required.

A Summer Fun Pass for youth includes:

- swimming pools and public swim sessions including saunas, hot tubs, and steam rooms
- aquafit classes
- fitness centres with cardio and weight equipment (must be 16+ years old or have completed a youth weight room orientation)
- youth weight room orientation (available to 13 to 18 year olds and required for 13 to 15 year olds before using the fitness centre)
- drop-in youth gymnasium sports sessions
- admission to Youth Night events at The Outdoor Experience at Aldergrove Community Centre on Thursday, July 11 and Thursday, August 15. Advance online registration required.

"We're excited to once again offer a discounted recreation pass for summer," says Rob Stare, Township of Langley's Director of Recreation. "And we're thrilled to now make this pass available for both children and youth. We hope that all children and youth will take advantage of the Summer Fun Pass and make good use of our recreation facilities and activities."

The Summer Fun Pass is available for purchase starting Saturday, June 1 and can be bought online by signing into your registration account at tol.ca/recregister and selecting the "Buy a Pass" option. You can also purchase the pass in-person or by phone at Aldergrove Community Centre, George Preston Recreation Centre, Walnut Grove Community Centre, and W.C. Blair Recreation Centre.

Registration is not required for cardio and weight rooms and public swimming sessions. For drop-in activities, online registration opens 23 hours prior to the start of each session and registration is recommended to secure your spot. View and register for activities at tol.ca/recregister.

For more information visit tol.ca/admissions

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Photo cutline: children enjoying a public swim session at W.C. Blair Recreation Centre.

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Get Active This Summer With Our Multisport Day Camps.

Registration is now open!

[Register Now](#)

[Learn more](#)



WALNUT GROVE DAY CAMPS



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Sports Summer Day Camps 2024 – Walnut Grove Day Camps

Hello Parents at Fort Langley Elementary! Our team at Walnut Grove Day Camps is hosting summer camps again for school aged kids this July, just up the road at Alex Hope Elementary school. Our week-long multisport camps include a variety of sports, games, and activities to keep your kids moving, learning, and having a blast. Our camps run each week in July on a similar schedule to school hours (9am-3pm). Designed and run by local teachers and coaches, we've created our high-quality programs to focus on a healthy blend of fun and development. Whether your child is a seasoned athlete or just

starting out, our program is designed to be inclusive and welcoming to kids of all skill levels. We want to see kids grow athletically, socially, and personally. To register or learn more, check out our website at <https://www.wgdaycamps.ca>.

Langley Children's Choir is looking for singers!

Openings are now available for singers in grades 3 to 7

What are we looking for?

- ✓ School choir members (if your school has one)
- ✓ Good attitude and enthusiasm!
- ✓ Advanced vocal skills, and the ability to focus
- ✓ A firm commitment to the group
- ✓ Desire to develop as a singer and choir member



What do you get out of this?

- ✓ Make new friends who like to sing, too
- ✓ Learn about how to sing better and learn lots of music
- ✓ Perform at other schools (a day off!)
- ✓ Have fun on a choir tour or camp in the spring
- ✓ Sing at festivals and hear other great choirs

Rehearsals? Langley Secondary School, 21405 – 56 Ave on Tuesdays,
Sept – April from 4:30 – 6 pm

Fees? \$275 per year (reduced rate for families) plus refundable \$100 deposit

Directors? Kim Hardy and Patti Thorpe (both Langley music teachers) plus accompanist Heather Hicks

How Do I Join?

Contact us for an audition time before June 10, 2024. Auditions will be Tuesday June 11

Please include singer's name, phone number, school and grade.

Patti Thorpe
pthorpe@sd35.bc.ca



Free Summer Program for Families!

Learn about healthy eating, physical activity, and building long-lasting habits as a family in Generation Health. This 10-week program for families with children ages 8 to 12 is FUN and interactive!

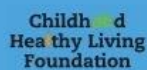
Delivered through YMCA BC starting July 2024 on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Families who join this program will receive a complimentary YMCA membership.

**Register
today!**



gv.ymca.ca/generation-health
generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca



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of Victoria



Embark on a rewarding journey of cultural exchange!
Homestay families are provided
\$1050 per month to offset costs.

HOW TO APPLY:
Visit www.studyinlangley.com, go to the
'Homestay section',
and complete the online application



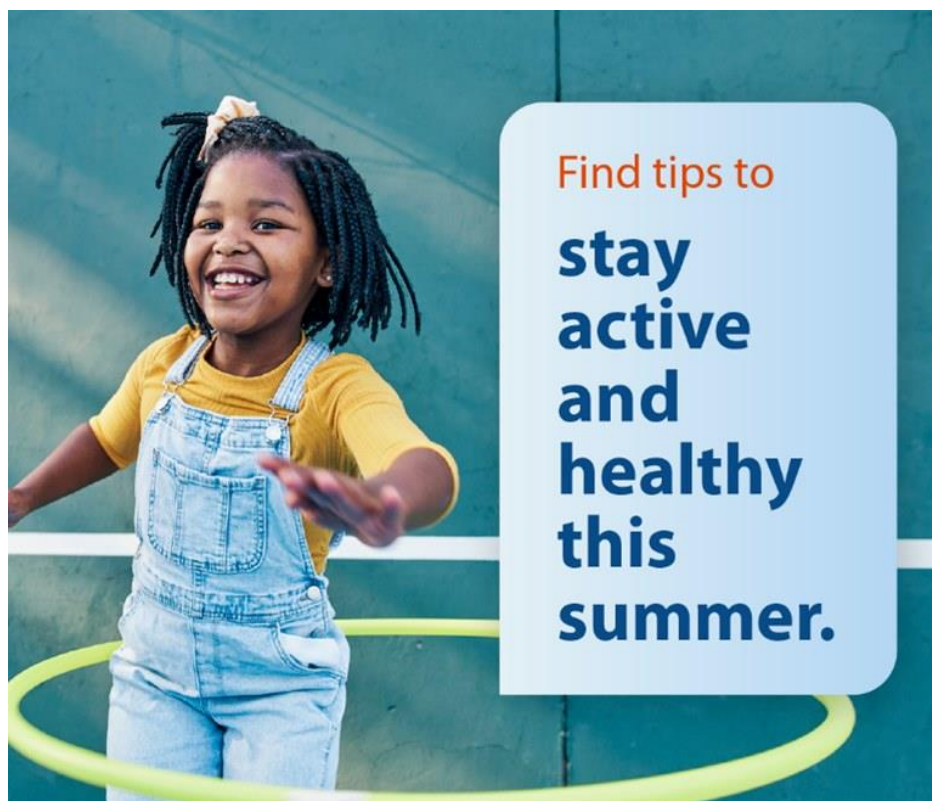
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International Student Program Homestay Families

Embark on a rewarding journey of cultural exchange! The District is seeking homestay families to host International Student Program (ISP) students for the 2024-2025 school year and beyond. There are many benefits including learning a new culture, sharing your family traditions, and developing life-long friendships. Homestay families are provided \$1050 to offset costs. Start your journey here: <https://www.studyinlangley.com/student-life/>



Keeping Kids Healthy and Safe this Summer – Tips for Parents

As summer approaches, excitement levels rise in anticipation for outdoor adventures, sports and family vacations. Summer is a time for fun and relaxation, but it's also a time to prioritize health and well-being. Below are some tips to help your kids stay active, healthy and safe during the summer months.

Sun Protection

Help avoid sunburns by applying a sunscreen lotion with Sun Protection Factor (SPF) 30 or more to your children (and yourself) at least 20 minutes before heading outside. Seek shade and stay out of the hot sun between 11am and 4pm. Look for places with lots of shade, such as parks with big trees. Take an umbrella or tent to the beach and cover up with a wide brimmed hat, long sleeves and loose-fitting long pants.

Breathe Easier

BC wildfires and dry weather conditions are common during the summer months resulting in poorer air quality. [Reducing exposure to wildfire smoke](#) is the best way to protect your and your family's health. [Stay on top of air quality advisories.](#)

Hydration

Encourage your children to drink water regularly, before they become thirsty. Instill the habit of always carrying a water bottle with them wherever they go.

Physical Activity

Parents who join in on soccer games, splash in the pool or set out on hikes with their children on summer vacation – and all year long – not only get fit themselves but provide healthy role models for the next generation. Healthy, active outdoor play is one of the best ways to improve both adults' and children's overall physical and mental health.

Enjoy the Bounty of the Summer Produce

Summer is here, which means fresh fruits and vegetables are in season. This makes it an ideal time to eat some delicious locally grown foods. [Local farmers' markets](#) and [u-pick farms](#) are a fun way to enjoy farm fresh fruits and veggies while getting outside and supporting your local farmers.

Find more summer health tips in Fraser Health's Healthy Summer Guide: <https://ow.ly/G0r350S7S3Y>



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Literal translation: this the exist house the hawk

The home of the Hawks