

#### **Gordon Greenwood Elementary School**

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Date	Upcoming Events
Nov. 21-Dec. 4	Reindeer Lane Donations
Nov. 28	Winter Concert Tickets open
Dec. 5	Reindeer Lane
Dec. 10	Winter Concert, 1:00 PM, Doors open at 12:30 PM
Dec. 12	Pancake Breakfast
Dec. 19	Last Day Prior to Winter Break

#### **Reindeer Lane Donations**

We welcome donations for Reindeer Lane, happening on Friday December 5th. Items can be dropped off in the boxes outside the library. We are looking for gently used household items, decor, games, toys, books, etc. for the kids to have their own shopping experience. Students can purchase gifts for the ones they love. Items will be selling for \$2 each and teachers will be bringing classes to shop during the school day.

#### **Giants Tickets**

Enter to Win 4 Tickets to a Vancouver Giants Hockey Game!

We have been gifted 4 tickets to each of the Vancouver Giant Hockey home games at Langley Events Center all season long! 1 entry per student per month, please select dates you are available to attend for December dates HERE. Names will be drawn 1 week prior to the game and will be sent home with your student. You will be notified via email if your student wins.

#### Cutlery

Please remember to send a spoon or fork if your child needs one for their lunch or snack. We have a very limited emergency supply in the office.

#### **Wet & Rainy Weather:**

As the weather is changing, please ensure your child has proper footwear and clothing in case of rain/cooler weather. If possible, a change of clothing including socks and gym runners should be stored at school or in your child's backpack in case of mud puddle encounters.

#### **Winter Concert**

We are excited to welcome our families to the Winter Concert on Wednesday December 10, 2025 at 1:00 PM! Doors open at 12:30 PM. 2 tickets per family are available at no charge on School Cash Online (<u>SchoolCashOnline.com: Welcome</u>) beginning November 28, 2025. Tickets will be sent home with students on Dec 4.



#### **Building Better Tech Habits Workshop from Media Smarts for Families**

MediaSmarts has launched a new, free, self-guided workshop to help families develop healthier technology and screen-time habits. **Building Better Tech Habits** provides practical, research-informed strategies for managing family screen use and addressing common digital challenges at all ages. The workshop can be accessed 24/7 via the link below and completed any time, making it easy to fit into busy schedules.

https://mediasmarts.ca/teacher-resources/building-better-techhabits?mc cid=c91580ec15&mc eid=43f3fb04f2

#### Talk with Me, Play with Me, Learn with Me

Talk with Me, Play with Me, Learn with Me is a fun and engaging Langley Literacy Network program designed for kindergarten students and their caregivers. The program will run Saturday mornings from 10 –11 AM, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at Raphael House in the City of Langley. It is an opportunity to read, play, learn, and connect. Each week, families will explore new books and activities that support early literacy and learning. Plus, every participating family will take home eight new books to build their home library!

Registration is required, and space is limited—sign up today at <a href="https://langleyliteracynetwork.com/talk-with-me-play-with-me-learn-with-me/">https://langleyliteracynetwork.com/talk-with-me-play-with-me-learn-with-me/</a>

#### **Reading Buddies Program**

Reading Buddies is an initiative that pairs different grade-level students for community reading time, outside of school hours. A Grade 10, 11 or 12 student buddies up with a Grade 2, 3 or 4 student to practice reading. The program will begin in February 2026 and take place in libraries across Langley. Registration for the program will open December 1<sup>st</sup> at <a href="https://langleyliteracynetwork.com/reading-buddies/">https://langleyliteracynetwork.com/reading-buddies/</a>. Please note that applying for the program does not guarantee a spot in the program. The number of Little Buddies served depends on the number of Big Buddies that sign up.

#### **December Health Messaging – Fraser Health**

#### Winter Health (from Fraser Health)

Health, safety, and wellness continue to be a priority in our schools. To help support our students and families, we are sharing important information from our community partner Fraser Health about Winter Health. Please see below for helpful reminders to support your child.

#### **Keep Your Child Healthy During Winter**

As the chilly winter season approaches, there are things you can do to help keep your children healthy and well.

#### **Get Ready For Winter At Home And In The Community**

Winter can bring extreme weather and it's important to have plans to be safe during cold weather, storms and power outages, including staying warm, having a carbon monoxide detector and planning for emergencies. Learn about programs that can support your family:

- Get ready for winter: Snow and cold safety for you and your home -Fraser Health Authority
- Indoor air quality Fraser Health Authority

#### **Bundle Up For The Cold**

Dressing appropriately for cold weather keeps your child comfortable and protected. Wearing multiple layers is a great way to trap body heat and provide insulation against the cold.

Keep a warm hat, gloves, scarves and warm, waterproof boots handy. Remind your child to wear these items before heading outside to play or going to school. Learn about **hypothermia** and **frostbite** as children can be more susceptible.

#### **Protect Against Winter Illnesses**

Winter brings an increased risk of colds and flu. Ensure your child receives their annual flu vaccine and talk to a health care provider about any additional vaccines that may be recommended. Teach your child good respiratory etiquette such as regular hand washing, covering their coughs and sneezes and staying home when sick. If they are sick and cannot stay away from others, masks can help to reduce the risk of spreading illness. Learn more about masks <u>here</u>.

#### **Keep Their Bodies Moving**

It is important to keep your child active during winter as regular physical activity is important for good health. Outdoor activities such as skating, sledding and going for walks as a family are all great ways to keep active. On colder days, indoor play and activities such as dancing, yoga or sports are great ways to promote movement. Look for drop-in programs at local community centres or indoor sports facilities.

If you play on frozen lakes or ponds, be sure that the ice has been tested for strength and safety. Learn more on the *Lifesaving Society's website*.

Find more tips for a healthy winter on Fraser Health's Winter Health page.

#### 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)		
October	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		
December	Dec 19 (F)	Last Day Prior to Winter Break		
January	Jan 5 (M)	School Re-Opens After Winter Break		
	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)		
	Mar 4 (W)	2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences		
March	Mar 5 (Th)	Student Inclusive Conferences		
Watch	Mar 13 (F)	Last Day Prior to Spring Break		
	Mar 30 (M)	School Re-Opens After Spring Break		
April	Apr 3 (F)	Good Friday (School Closed)		
три	Apr 6 (M)	Easter Monday (School Closed)		
May	May 15 (F)	Professional Development Day (District - Students not in attendance)		
iviay	May 18 (M)	Victoria Day (School Closed)		
June	Jun 25 (Th)	Final Learning Update & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation		
	Jun 26 (F)	Administrative Day (Students not in attendance)		
June	Juli 20 (1)			
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APPROVED: SD35 Board of Education Meeting

April 29, 2025

#### 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 <a href="www.sd35.bc.ca">www.sd35.bc.ca</a>. Updates are also posted to X (formerly Twitter) @LangleySchools and Facebook at

<u>www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict</u>. 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 CKWX 1130AM, CKNW 980AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7 or CBC 690AM or 88.1FM for updates.

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.

#### Wednesday HOT ELEMENTARY - December 2025

This lunch program is for EVERYONE! Two Ways to Order
Set up a Regular Account and place orders at <a href="https://doi.org/10.108/j.ce/">https://doi.org/10.108/j.ce/</a> / Order Now Each meal is \$5.75.
You can also access subsidized meals through the Feeding Futures Program. Reach out for more info.



Week 1	COLD Mon Dec 1	COLD Tues Dec 2	HOT Wed Dec 3	COLD Thurs Dec 4	COLD Fri Dec 5
Regular	NEW: Lunch Box with Assorted Crackers, Cheese and Turkey Deli Slices Fruit of the Day	<b>NEW:</b> Egg Salad on a Bun Snack Mix Apple Slices	French Toast (1) Turkey Sausage (2) Apple Sauce Syrup	Turkey Deli Submarine with Lettuce Side Pickles	NEW: Chicken Salad on a Bun Side Cucumber Slices Apple Slices
Vegetarian	Lunch Box with Assorted Crackers, Cheese, and Veggie Nuggets Fruit of the Day	Cheddar Cheese on a Bun Snack Mix Apple Slices	Panwich (Pancake and Egg Patty Sandwich) Apple Sauce Syrup	Cheese Submarine with Lettuce Side Pickles	Veggie Chick'n Salad on a Bun Side Cucumber Slices Apple Slices
Halal Friendly	Lunch Box with Assorted Crackers, Cheese, and Halal Deli Chicken Slices Fruit of the Day	Egg Salad on a Bun Snack Mix Apple Slices	Panwich (Pancake and Egg Patty Sandwich) Apple Sauce Syrup	Chicken Deli Submarine with Lettuce Side Pickles	Halal Chicken Salad on a Bun Side Cucumber Slices Apple Slices
Week 2	COLD Mon Dec 8	COLD Tues Dec 9	HOT Wed Dec 10	COLD Thurs Dec 11	COLD Fri Dec 12
Regular	Cold Pizza Plank Fruit of the Day	Chicken Pasta Salad Fruit of the Day	Beef Meatball Submarine topped with Cheese Fruit of the Day	Mediterranean-Style Plate	Chicken Caesar Salad & Garlic Bread Side Cucumber Slices
Vegetarian		Chickpea Pasta Salad Fruit of the Day	Cheese Pizza Submarine Fruit of the Day		Bagel with Cream Cheese Snack Mix Fruit of the Day
Halal Friendly		Halal Chicken Pasta Salad Fruit of the Day	Halal Beef Meatball Submarine topped with Cheese Fruit of the Day		Halal Chicken Ranch Salad & Garlic Bread Side Cucumber Slices



You can Order/Change/Cancel online anytime with 2 business days' notice
Sorry – no last- minute cancellations. Uncollected meals are given to the school office.

Questions? Need help? jeanifer@thelunchladv.ca



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Week 3	COLD Mon Dec 15	COLD Tues Dec 16	HOT Wed Dec 17	COLD Thurs Dec 18	COLD Fri Dec 19
Regular	<b>NEW:</b> BLT on a Bun (Turkey Bacon) Fruit of the Day	Farmer's Fruit and Veggie Plate Chicken Nuggets Crackers	Macaroni and Cheese Fruit of the Day	NEW: Lunch Box with Cinnamon Raisin Bagel, Side Cheddar Cheese, Fruit, and Yogurt Cup	Beef Taco Salad Box Nacho chips Fruit of the Day
Vegetarian	Bagel with Cream Cheese Snack Mix Fruit of the Day	Farmer's Fruit and Veggie Plate Egg and Cheese Crackers	Macaroni and Cheese Fruit of the Day		Veggie Ground Taco Salad Box Nacho chips Fruit of the Day
Halal Friendly	Tuna Salad on a Bun Snack Mix Fruit of the Day	Farmer's Fruit and Veggie Plate Halal Chicken Nuggets Crackers	Halal Macaroni and Cheese Fruit of the Day		Halal Beef Taco Salad Box Nacho chips Fruit of the Day

HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY BREAK - See you in the NEW YEAR!!



### IMPACT HOOPS

# **3X3 WINTER LEAGUE**

LANGLEY & ABBOTSFORD - GRADES 4-8



Dates	Time	Location	City
Nov 18 – Jan 27	7:00-8:30pm	Walnut Grove Sec	Langley
Nov 19 – Jan 28	7:00-8:30pm	Walnut Grove Sec	Langley
Nov 23 – Feb 1	6:00-7:30pm	St John Brebeuf	Abbotsford

#### **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT**

If you register by **Nov 13th** cost will be \$275

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TUES, OCT 21- DEC 16, 2025 \*NO CLASS ON NOV 11

**AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM** 

2:30PM - 3:30PM

DRAWING & PAINTING

Celebrate the season of creativity and change through drawing, painting, and mixed media exploration. Each week features a new prompt from forest animals and cozy cabins to fall landscapes, favorite characters, and Picasso-inspired oil pastel self-portraits.

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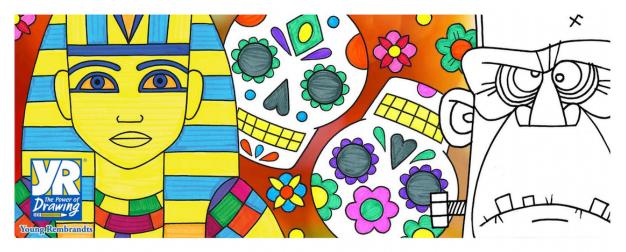
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Every week, your child will discover exciting new lessons designed to inspire creativity and make learning fun! Our classes boost hand-eye coordination, sharpen critical thinking, and build confidence—all while kids enjoy exploring their artistic talents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

#### WHY CHOOSE YOUNG REMBRANDTS?

MOST IMPORTANTLY - IT'S A WHOLE LOT OF FUNI OUR LIVELY CLASSES INSPIRE KIDS TO EXPLORE THEIR ARTISTIC TALENTS WHILE MAKING NEW FRIENDS AND GAINING CONFIDENCE.

Enhances Hand-Eye Coordination

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

#### CLASS DATES: OCT.1 - DEC. 17/2025

WHEN: WEDNESDAYS at 2:40 PM - 3:40 PM

**WHERE: THE SCHOOL Library** 

See our

Website for

Pro-D Day

camps!

COST: \$220 for 10 classes over 11 weeks

\*PAYMENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE AT CHECKOUT

#### REGISTER TODAY SCAN:

OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE www.youngrembrandts.com/lowermainland





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**Next PAC Meeting** – TBA

PAC Facebook Link: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/252372494939238">https://www.facebook.com/groups/252372494939238</a>

Get ready to show your school spirit! Our spirit wear sale is officially open. This year's collection features new designs and classic favorites, including hoodies, t-shirts, and hats. Don't miss your chance to grab some gear and represent our school. The store is open for a limited time, so place your order today!

https://www.9blocks.ca/gordongreenwoodspiritwear





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