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Happy New Year and welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful holiday season filled with joy, relaxation, and quality time with loved ones. As we settle into the new year, we are excited to continue our journey of learning and growth together.

The first two weeks have been filled with energy and enthusiasm, and it's been wonderful to see our students re-engage with their learning and reconnect with their friends.

The staff has been working hard to create a supportive and stimulating environment for all our students. We are committed to fostering a love of learning and helping each child reach their full potential. Your involvement and support are crucial to our success, and I encourage you to stay engaged with your child's teacher.

Reminders:

Dress for the Weather: As the weather gets colder, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor activities. Hats, gloves, and warm coats are essential.

Attendance: Regular attendance is crucial for your child's success. If your child is going to be absent, please notify the school office as soon as possible.

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our families for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Your partnership is vital to the success of our students, and we appreciate all that you do.

Regards,

J. Malo



Office Staff:

Principal-

Mr. J. Malo

Vice Principal-

Mrs. D. Reid

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Our Shared Mission:

“Alone we can do so little; *together we can do so much.*” – Helen Keller

This timeless wisdom reminds us that when we come together, our combined strength and shared trust enable us to achieve remarkable things.

Student Inclusive Conferences- Term 1

Student inclusive conference documents are found in MyedBC. Please refer to the anchor document PDF at the end of the newsletter to locate the file. The next round of Student Inclusive Conferences will occur between February 24th and March 10th. Details on sign-up will be shared in the near future.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration 2025 Kindergarten registration across the Langley School District runs January 6, 2025 – February 18, 2025. Registrations are accepted in order of arrival of completed applications. Instructions and information about required documents is available on the district website and catchment school websites. For information, please visit the district webpage [here](#).

Basketball: late January/February

Basketball starts in late January. If you are interested in helping referee, please reach out to Ms. Hufsmith at the school. Games are generally held on Tuesdays or Wednesdays through the month of February. If your child is on one of the grade 6/7 teams a permission form will be sent home before the start of the season. Forms are required for your child to play. Thank you.

PAC

The next PAC meeting will be held on February 19th. All parents are welcome to attend. The next two PAC Treat Days are January 31st, February 14th, and February 28th.

PAC Hot Lunch Days / Pink Shirt orders

PAC hot lunches have returned. Ordering information is found on the munchalunch website. Orders for Pink Shirts for Pink Shirt Day are also for on the PAC munchalunch webpage.

Surveys

Students in grades 4 and 7 will be completing the Student Learning Survey over the next few weeks. Students in grade 5 and 6 will be completing the MDI. If you wish to opt your child out of the MDI please complete the form and return to your child's teacher.



Upcoming Dates:

- ☐ Jan 27 or 28 Girls BBall Basketball Tournament
- ☐ Jan 27 & Jan 31 Martial Arts in PHE classes
- ☐ Jan 27 Urban Safari fieldtrip
- ☐ Jan 28 BSS Transition Day for Grade 7's
- ☐ Jan 31 PAC Treat Day
- ☐ February: Start of EDI for K students, MDI for grade 5/6 AND Learning Surveys for grades 4/7
- ☐ Feb 3 or 4 Boys Bball Tournament
- ☐ Feb 7 grade 7 Richmond Oval F/T
- ☐ Feb 10 PD Day Odyssey (school closed)

Social Media Awareness Family Sessions

ERASE will be holding FREE virtual sessions on social media awareness for parents and caregivers.

<https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-session>

LEAP (Outdoor Education) – Parent Information Session on Thursday, January 23rd

Imagine your child's classroom in the open air! Join us on **Thursday, January 23rd at 5pm** at Fort Langley Elementary for our LEAP (Langley Environmental Awareness Program) Information Session. This meeting is for families interested in kindergarten enrolment for the 2026-2027 school year, as well as any current grade 1-6 students that might want a change and an opportunity to learn in the great outdoors. For more about the outdoor education program and to watch our new stunning promotional video please visit: <https://bit.ly/2T2os8r>.

LSS Sports Academies Information Night

Are you looking for a way to fuel your passion for hockey, baseball or softball while still achieving your academic goals? Langley Secondary's sports academies may be the perfect fit! These high-performance skills-based programs combine on-and off-field or ice training, strength and conditioning education, and BC school curriculum. Hockey Academy participants will have at least 40 on-ice sessions during the semester, while Baseball/Softball students will spend two blocks every day in academy programming.

Learn more at an upcoming information session, which is scheduled for 7pm on February 11th at Langley Secondary School in the Learning Commons. See poster [here](#) for details. For info on baseball/softball read [here](#) or hockey read [here](#). Please note, this information session does NOT include information on the Langley Secondary Soccer Academy.

Canned Food Drive

The first annual **NBE Hearts Full of Hope Canned Food Drive** will be held in mid-February to coincide with Valentines Day. We have opted to support the food bank at a time when food donations are significantly lower.



- ☐ Feb 11-21 Hearts For Hope Community Canned Food Drive
- ☐ Feb 13 Div 1 & 2 Young Entrepreneurs
- ☐ Feb 14 PAC Treat Day
- ☐ Feb 17 Family Day- no school
- ☐ Feb 20-21 Travelling Planetarium
- ☐ Feb 24 Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Half Day (NO SCHOOL)
- ☐ Feb 24 (PM) start of Student Inclusive Conferences for Term 2
- ☐ Feb 25-28 Diversity & Respect Week
- ☐ Feb 26 Pink Shirt Day
- ☐ Feb 28 Div 5/6 Field Trip
- ☐ Feb 28 PAC Treat Day

More Important News

Generation Health Program- Healthy Lifestyle Program for Kids Ages 8-12

Generation Health is a **FREE 10-week healthy lifestyle program** for children and their families, delivered through YMCA BC and in partnership with the Childhood Healthy Living Foundation. Program participants will meet virtually or in person to learn about healthy eating, physical activity, goal setting, body image, self-esteem and more!

We have 4 program days to choose from: Starting in February on Tuesdays (In Person at the Tong Louie YMCA) or Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays virtually from 6:30-8:30pm. This program requires prior registration through these details: phone 1-888-650-3141 or send an e-mail to generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca.

***Families who join this program receive a complimentary membership to the YMCA.*

Parent Corner:

Helping Your Child Make Good Choices Online

In today's digital age, social media and online interactions are a significant part of our children's lives. As parents, it's essential to guide them in making safe and responsible choices online. Here are some tips to help you navigate this important aspect of parenting.

1. Open Communication

Start by having open and honest conversations with your child about their online activities. Ask them about the platforms they use, the people they interact with, and the content they share. Encourage them to come to you with any concerns or questions they may have.

2. Set Clear Boundaries

Establish clear rules and guidelines for social media use. This can include setting time limits, specifying which platforms are appropriate, and discussing what types of content are acceptable to share. Make sure your child understands the importance of privacy and the potential consequences of sharing personal information online.

3. Monitor Activity

Regularly check your child's social media accounts and online activity. This doesn't mean invading their privacy but rather ensuring they are safe and making good choices. You can do this by following them on social media, using parental control apps, or simply asking them to show you what they're up to online.

4. Educate About Online Safety

Teach your child about the importance of online safety. Discuss topics such as cyberbullying, phishing scams, and the dangers of interacting with strangers online. Make sure they know how to recognize and report inappropriate behavior.

5. Lead by Example

Model good online behavior for your child. Be mindful of your own social media use and the content you share. Show them how to interact respectfully and responsibly online.

6. Encourage Critical Thinking

Help your child develop critical thinking skills by discussing the content they encounter online. Encourage them to question the reliability of sources, recognize biased or misleading information, and think critically about the impact of their online actions.

7. Stay Informed

Stay up-to-date with the latest trends and developments in social media and online safety. This will help you better understand the digital world your child is navigating and provide more relevant guidance.

8. Foster a Balanced Lifestyle

Encourage your child to balance their online activities with offline interests and hobbies. Promote physical activity, face-to-face interactions, and other activities that contribute to their overall well-being.

Conclusion

By staying involved and informed, you can help your child make safe and responsible choices online. Remember, the goal is to create a supportive environment where your child feels comfortable discussing their online experiences with you.

Student Inclusive Conference

Anchor Document



To access Student Inclusive Conference Anchor Document:

- ⇒ Log in to MyEducationBC
- ⇒ Family Top Tab
- ⇒ Click into student
- ⇒ Documents Side Tab
- ⇒ Click floppy disk icon to download document

The screenshot shows the MyEducationBC website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs: Pages, Family, Academics, Groups, and Calendar. The 'Family' tab is selected. Below this, there's a 'Students' section with a search bar and a list of students. One student is selected, and their details are shown. In the 'Documents' side tab, a table lists documents. The first document is 'CSL Document 2022-2023 Term 1'. A red box highlights the 'Download' button next to this document. The 'Documents' side tab is also highlighted with a red box.