



### LANGLEY FINE ARTS BULLETIN – DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 EDITION

Dear LFAS Families,

As we move into the second week of December, I want to extend my thanks and congratulations to all our incredible artists and performers. Your creativity and dedication make this busy time of year truly special for our school community.

Families, please keep an eye on the calendar! There are so many amazing events and activities coming up that you won't want to miss! Thank you for your continued support in celebrating the arts and the hard work of our students.

Take care, Mr. Moore

### **From the District:**

### **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-tech-habits?mc\_cid=c91580ec15&mc\_eid=43f3fb04f2

### **ZOOM FESTIVAL**

We are pleased to congratulate 5 groups who were nominated for this year's Zoom Film Festival! The award show is Saturday December 6th at Mulgrave Secondary School. Book your tickets online at Zoomfest.com and come out support LFAS student films! If you have any questions about attending the awards show or need any support in signing up, please see Ms. Pietak in room 122

### PHOTOGRAPHY MAJOR PRESENTS "CONSTRUCTED LANDSCAPES"

Join us in celebrating the Photo Majors at their upcoming exhibition on December 9 at 7:00 PM in the Chief Sepass Theatre. This year's theme, *Constructed Landscapes*, highlights a dynamic collection of work from students in Grades 9 through 12. We hope to see you there!

### DANCE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS "TEXTURES"

Our Grade 11/12 student collective choreography, Sr. & Jr. dance ensembles are performing. Come check them out!

When: December 10 & 11

**Time:** 7:00pm **Cost:** \$10\_

Tickets available at the door





### Breakfast with Winnie the Pooh!

Grad Council is hosting the annual Langley Fine Arts School Holiday Breakfast on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. As you make your way to class in the morning, we invite families to check out the festivities in the cafeteria. However, please note that we will continue to have all elementary students come down to pick up their breakfast with their classroom teacher and then return to eat breakfast in their classroom. Each teacher will be given a time for their class breakfast pick-up and elementary students will have to wait to have breakfast at this time.



High School students are welcome to come pick up breakfast from 8am-8:30am. These students will pay at the time of breakfast pick-up.

Gr.6/7 students are welcome to come at 8:30-9:00am and can pre-order or pay at the time of pick-up.

Kindergarten to Grade 5 students will PREORDER via school cashonline

We will also have photos with Santa if families wish to stop by earlier before school starts (K-7).

All breakfasts include two pancakes and a juice box for \$7

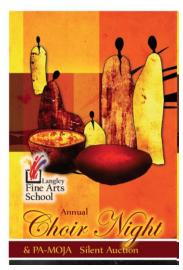
Please pay ONLINE on SchoolCashOnline by Tuesday, December 16th.

### **CHRISTMAS HAMPER DONATIONS**

For the first time, LFAS reached out to our community to support our Christmas Hamper Program, and the response has been truly heartwarming. We have added an optional donation item on School Cash online.

Thanks to your incredible generosity, we have been able to add two more families in need to our list. Your kindness and willingness to give make a real difference during this holiday season.

We are so grateful to all the families who donated—your support is greatly appreciated!



### LFAS Annual Night of Choirs and PA-MOJA Fundraiser INDIVIDUAL NOTICES SENT HOME

### Dear Parents;

Our annual Night of Choirs is coming up on Friday, December  $12^{th}$ . This is an amazing night showcasing all choirs from grades K-12, and all choir students are expected to participate. Again, this year the show will be in two parts - Elementary choirs (Gr K - 5) 6:00pm and Intermediate/Middle/Secondary choirs (Gr 6 - 12) 8:00pm.

Location: Chandos Pattison Auditorium, (Pacific Academy 10238 - 168 St. Surrey).

\*\*\*\*\*SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR THIS YEAR ONLY!\*\*\*\*\*

At the end of this year's **first show**, <u>ALL CHOIR</u> students will sing a special dedication to Robyn Lorensen who recently retired from the District—the students didn't have the opportunity to give her a proper send off.

### TICKETS on sale Saturday, November 22nd at 12:00 noon

### 6:00 show

Tickets are \$10.00 for ALL attendees.

Parents must also "purchase" one <u>free</u> "K-3 performer seat" for their K-3 choir student who will join you immediately after they perform to watch the rest of the show. <u>Siblings not in choir will need to purchase a ticket</u>. Please do not leave the auditorium when your child comes to sit with you. Grade 4/5 choir sit together in a reserved area. Mr. Michel will be sending more info.

<u>Siblings IN CHOIR grade 6 and higher</u> may sit in the supervised balcony (no ticket necessary) or <u>purchase</u> a ticket and sit with parents. Not before 5:30 please.

6:00 start (gr. K-5) and 8:00 start (gr. 6-12). The auditorium will empty between performances to allow for set up.

### 8:00pm show

You are invited to purchase tickets for the 8:00pm show. Our senior choirs are so very talented and it is a Choir performance like no other! Your K-5 choir student can again sit in a "purchased" free performer seat as a way to encourage attendance. The Chamber choir finale for this show is always spectacular.

Purchas tickets by clicking on links below 6pm SHOW TICKETS 8pm SHOW TICKETS



### WEATHER APPROPRIATE CLOTHING

Now that the colder and wetter weather is upon us, we are asking parents to ensure that their children are appropriately dressed for school and outside playtime. Boots and warm, waterproof jackets are especially important as we send our students outside for fresh air, even during wet weather.



### **LOST AND FOUND**

Our lost and found bins are overflowing. Please ask your child to check and claim what may belong to them.

Parents/caregivers are welcome to check the bins as well; however, this can only be done before or after school.

### **OFFICE PROCEDURES**

Office hours are 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 pm. We ask parents to help reduce the volume of phone calls to the office by following these guidelines:

### PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL BEFORE 9:30AM IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT OR LATE

If your child is going to be absent, arriving late, away or leaving early due to an appointment, please notify the school of your child's absence by email or call the school. To report an absence by email, send information including student first name and last name, grade, division, length of absence, and reason to LFAAttendance@sd35.bc.ca.

To report an absence by phone, call 604-888-3113 and follow the prompts for the attendance line to leave a message with information including student first name and last name, grade, division, length of absence, and reason.

### **VOLUNTEERS AND PARENT DRIVERS AT LFAS – UPDATED PROCESSES**

We appreciate all of our amazing volunteers and parent drivers at the Langley Fine Arts School. Without your help, our classroom events and field trips would not run as smoothly as they do.

**To volunteer in a classroom:** LFAS requires a volunteer form and a criminal records check to be completed. Please note that online criminal record checks take about 3-4 weeks to be approved. If you require one sooner, please contact Mrs. Gill at <a href="kgill@sd35.bc.ca">kgill@sd35.bc.ca</a>

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/lfas/volunteer-form

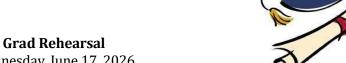
**To be a volunteer driver:** LFAS requires a driver package to be completed along with a criminal records check. All forms must be submitted to the office with a minimum of 48 hours before an event to ensure time for approval. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Gill at <a href="mailto:kgill@sd35.bc.ca">kgill@sd35.bc.ca</a>

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/lfas/driver-s-form-abstract

Thank you for your ongoing support to the LFAS community.



### **GRAD NEWS & UPDATES**



Wednesday, June 17, 2026 @ LFAS MANDATORY FOR ALL GRADS TO ATTEND

### **Grad Commencement Ceremony**

Thursday, June 18, 2026 Church in the Valley

### **Grad Dinner/Dance**

Monday, June 22, 2026 Newlands Golf & Country Club

### **DIPLOMAS FOR 2025 GRADS**

Grads of 2025 – diplomas and photos from the ceremony are now available for pick up in the main office. If you are unavailable to pick them up, please send a family member, sibling or friend and we'll pass it along for you.

### STUDENT TRANSCRIPT SERVICE

Detailed STS tutorial videos and resources are available at <u>StudentTranscripts Service Tutorial Videos & Resources</u>. Questions?

Students should email: StudentTranscripts@gov.bc.ca

### POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION (PSI) SELECTIONS FOR UPCOMING GRADUATES

Post-secondary institution selections for upcoming graduates are available through the **<u>StudentTranscripts</u> Service** website.

Upcoming graduates should be encouraged to make their post-secondary institution (PSI) selections in the <u>StudentTranscripts Service</u> (STS). How and when transcript information is sent will depend on the PSI and the options selected in STS. For full details, please visit the *Transcripts and Post-Secondary Selection* webpage.

Current students can make up to 25 free PSI selections in STS. They are also entitled to order one free printed transcript (by mail) after graduation, which can be sent to any address they choose. All other transcript orders in STS (including PDF transcripts) are \$10 each.

### Important Reminder about authorizing select PSIs to retrieve transcript updates

If a student's selected PSI is capable of receiving <u>ongoing electronic updates</u> (i.e., XML transcripts), the student should choose the second (default) option to "Send my transcript now and allow this Post-Secondary Institution to request transcript updates until the date specified below." To ensure there are no issues with their PSI application process, it is also recommended that they leave the authorization period set to the default date of one year.

### DRY GRAD PARENT MEETING

Dry Grad meetings are open to all graduating parents who wish to attend or volunteer to help out.

If you wish to contact the Dry Grad Committee, please email: LFASdrygradparents@gmail.com

When: Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

**When:** 7:00pm

Where: Online via Google Meet



### **Attention Parents of 2026 Grads!**

Dry Grad planning season is here, and we'd love your help making this an unforgettable celebration for our soon-to-be graduates! Whether you want to join the planning team or just stay in the loop, send us a quick email at <a href="mailto:lfsadrygradparents@gmail.com">lfsadrygradparents@gmail.com</a>.

### ON THE HORIZON

- Dec 8 Dry Grad Meeting @ 7:00pm via virtual platform (email Dry Grad for link)
- Dec 9 PAC Meeting @ 9:15am in Library
- Dec 9 Photo Show
- Dec 10 Dance Show "Textures" @ 7:00pm in Chief Sepass Theatre
- Dec 11 Dance Show "Textures" @ 7:00pm in Chief Sepass Theatre
- Dec 12 Annual Night of Choirs (tickets on sale via Eventbrite)
- Dec 17 Grade 1/2 Sharing "Fireside Story" shows @ 9:30am and 6:00pm in Chief Sepass Theatre
- Dec 18 PAC Hot Lunch (Kindergarten to Grade 7 only)
- Dec 19 Santa Breakfast
- Dec 19 Last Day Prior to Winter Break

### Dec 20 to Jan 4 – WINTER BREAK

- Jan 5 School Re-Opens from Winter Break
- Jan 15 Capstone Showcase evening
- Jan 19 Writing Show
- Jan 20 District Jazz Festival
- Jan 21 District Drama Festival
- Jan 26 Semester Turnaround
- Jan 27 Semester Turnaround
- Jan 28 Grade 6/7 Art Show
- Jan 29 Semester 2 Begins

### **DECEMBER HEALTH MESSAGING – FRASER HEALTH**

As part of its health promotion for students and families, our community partner Fraser Health is sharing important information on various topics. The theme for December is Winter 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 *here*.

### **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.

### Constructed Landscapes

**Photography 9, 10, 11, 12 Show** 

December 9, 2025, 7 pm \$5 + donation

**Chief Sepass Theatre** 

Photo by Benicio Gonzalez

## CHRISTMAS HAMPER

# FOR FAMILIES IN NEED FOOD GIFT CARDS ONLY

Providing practical assistance during the holiday season.





Dear 1-2 Pod Families, we would like to invite you to experience a **"Fireside Stories"** along with us on Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am and 6:00 pm.

Grade 2 students will need to come to school *wearing long black pants and a black shirt* (without embellishments) on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Miller's class will come *wearing long black pants*. Mrs. Godwin/Geerlof's class will need to *wear brown long pants*. The grade ones will be provided with a shirt at school. Please dress with an undershirt to facilitate easy changing.

Tickets will be made available on <u>School Cash Online</u> shortly. Each family will be initially offered <u>3</u> evening tickets and 1 day time ticket, to meet our theatre capacity limits. Any tickets remaining, will be offered to families who have requested additional tickets through their child's teacher. Tickets will be \$6 each. The sale of tickets helps to support costumes and props for 1-2 shows and classroom supplies and resources. Please consider purchasing performer bouquets in support of Dry Grad 2025. Details on how to order are in the school newsletter.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs. Merry Miller, Ms. Mystical McKenzie, Mrs. Gathering Geerlof, Ms. Glowing Geerlof, & Mrs. Gifted Godwin

### Holiday Cards Order Form

### Help Support LFAS Music & Art Majors This Holiday Season!

Your support helps make sure no one misses out on creative opportunities due to cost.

Each Holiday Card is hand-designed by LFAS Art students, and all proceeds go toward improving accessibility to special projects for Music and Art Majors: For Music students, these funds will go towards helping fund the upcoming tour to the Yukon for students who need financial assistance. For art students, these funds will go back to the artists to help support their future art projects.

Parent/Guardian Name:	Online Form
Parent/Guardian email address:	
Student Full name:	
Student's Teacher and Grade:	LFASMUSIC
How Many Holiday Card Packs would you like to order? (Each Pack Includes 5 cards for \$22)	
O 1 Pack	
O 2 Packs	
O 3 Packs	
O 4 Packs	
O Other:	
Pickup/Delivery (1)	
O Send Home with Child	
O Pickup From Office	
If you would like to make a straight donation to the	
fundraiser please email Mrs. Henry: thenry@sd35.bc.ca	

### Instructions for Form and Payment

Forms are due **December 1**st

A fee for the total of your order will be added to your child's **School Cash Online account**.

Cards will be delivered the week of **December 8** to students' classrooms and in the office.

Thank you for supporting the Music and Art majors and helping make a world-class arts education accessible for all students!

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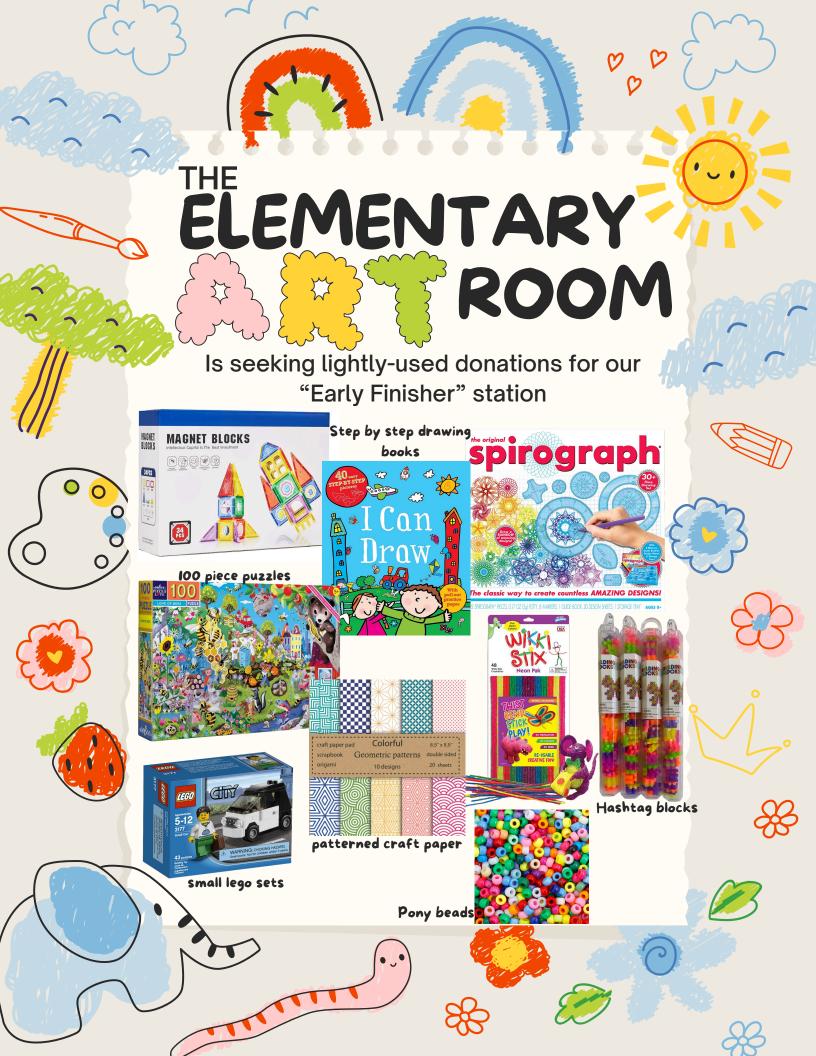
Cards are 4" x 6" folded (Portrait) Envelopes are included

### YOUR KINDNESS MEANS SHE DOESN'T STAND

This project is inspired by my aunt, Trina Hunt, one of the 1,125 women lost to gender-based violence in Canada between 2011 - 2021. With a gift of \$10, you become one of the 1,125 donors, each standing for a life that should still be here. -Taylor Ibbott THE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST OBV. IS A GLOBAL CAMPAIGN THAT CALLS FOR AWARENESS, ACTION, AND SOLIDABITY. #16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM

TO DONATE PLEASE CLICK

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### JD FARMS GIFT CARDS

JD Farms is donating 30% of gift cards sold towards LFAS Dry Grad!

Gift cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100.

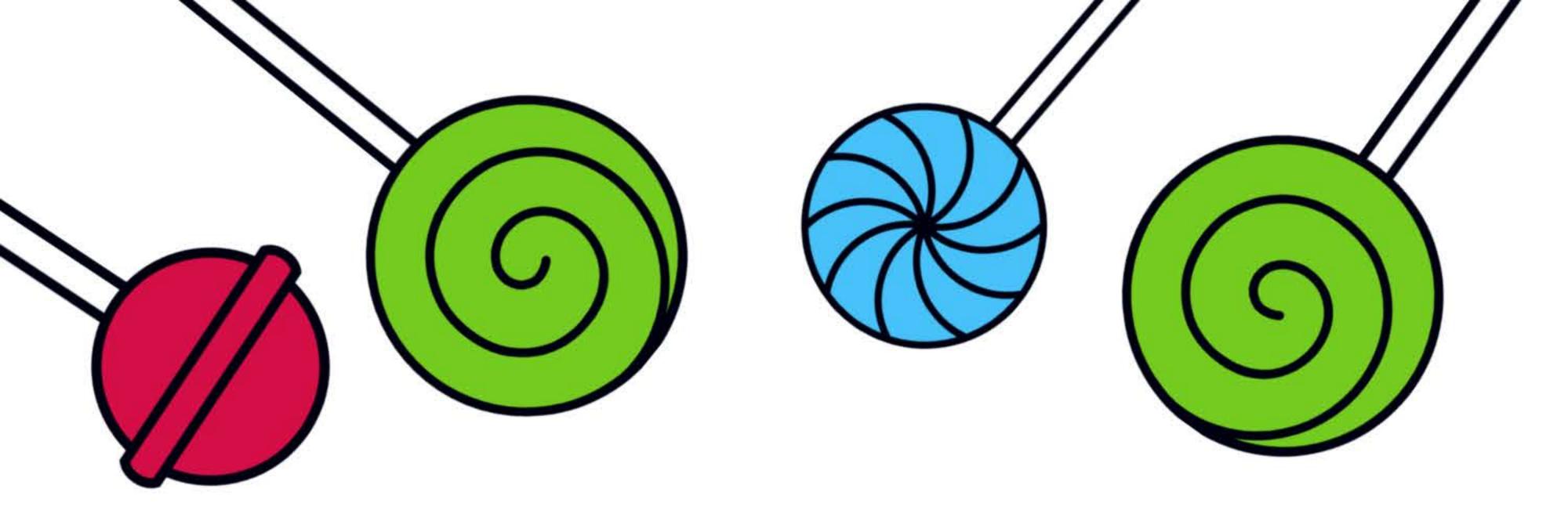
Use gift cards to buy your Christmas turkey or use it in their Bistro, Market & Deli.



### How to Buy Your Gift Card:

- 1. Send an e-transfer to lfasdrygradparents@gmail.com
- 2. Please specify you are ordering a JD Farms Gift Card.
- 3. Orders by: FRIDAY December 5th
- 4. Pick up: FRIDAY Dec 12th | 2:30-4pm in the cafeteria

### In Support of LFAS Dry Grad

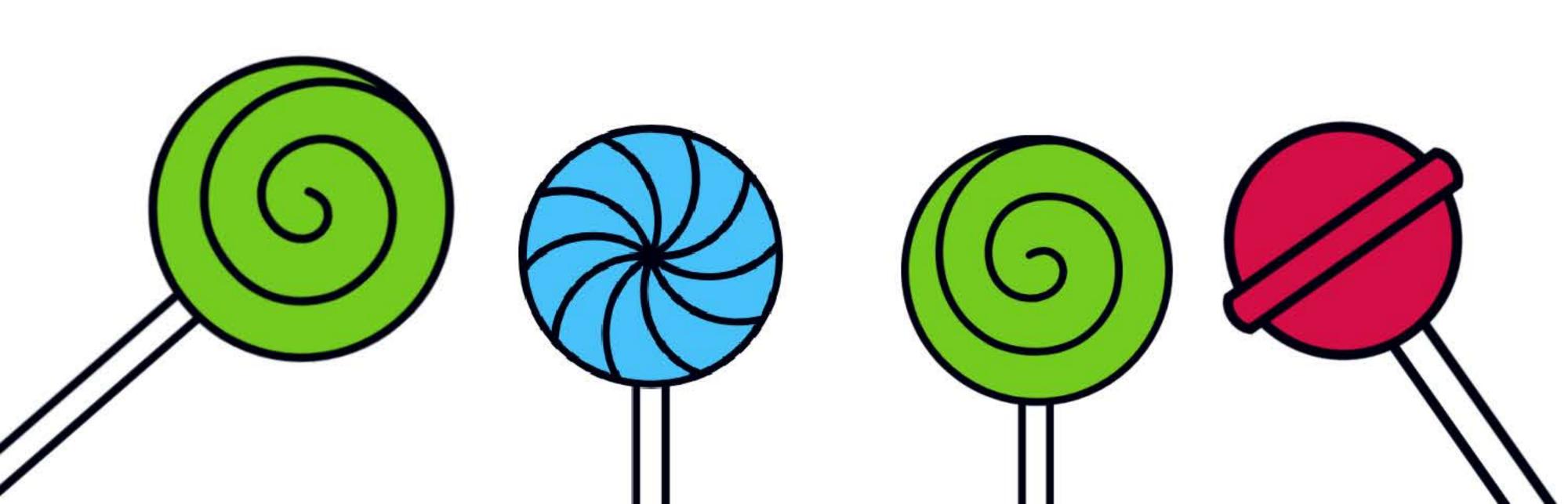


## Treat Day

FRIDAY December 19
2:40pm - 3:20pm

LFAS Basketball Courts

All treats, drinks &
snacks are \$2 each



# BOUQUETS for SHOWNIGHTS



Pre-order a bouquet for your child's upcoming Show Night.

Order dates vary (see chart below).

Payment via e-transfer to **LFASdrygradparents@gmail.com** Please specify the show date and # of bouquets you want in the e-transfer.

Pick up flowers at the theatre on your requested show night



DANCE

Show Nights: Dec 10 - 11 Order by December 7

GRADE
1/2 POD

Show Night: Dec 17
Order by December 12

WRITING

Show Night: Jan 19 Order by January 5

Quantities are limited, so order early. This is a Dry Grad fundraiser.



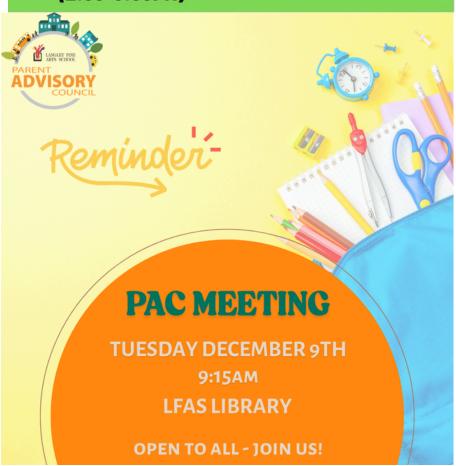
FUNDS GO TOWARDS GRADE 7'S AT CAMP JUBILEE

**AND LFAS PAC** 

**PICK UP: THURS DEC 11** 

(2:30-3:30PM)









Starting December we have introduced our Wish Tree, where you can share your ideas and suggestions on what you'd like to see at LFAS, as well as how we can support the school and the students.

What initiatives would you like the PAC to undertake? Do you have any wishes or ideas for the upcoming year?

We also encourage children to share their wishes for their teachers and the school.

Let's work together to build a strong community and support everyone!

### **Fort Langley Firefighters**

### \* Santa Claus \* Candy Gane Run

### Monday, Dec 15 6:00 to 8:30 pm

We'll be handing out Candy Canes and accepting food and cash donations for the Sources Food Bank

