



LANGLEY FINE ARTS BULLETIN – SEPTEMBER 18th, 2026 EDITION

MAKING S'MORES IN GRADE 6



Individual photo day is scheduled for: Wednesday, September 23rd.

MEET THE TEACHER – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

Grades 1-5

6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Parents/Guardians meet with homeroom teachers in respective rooms.

Grades 6-7

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

6:00pm-6:20pm – All parents/guardians meet with arts teachers (in assigned room)

6:30pm – 7:00pm – Parents/guardians meet with homeroom teachers in their respective rooms

Grades 8-12

6:00 p.m. - 7:10 p.m.

Parents/Guardians will have the opportunity to meet each of their student's teachers by following their "Friday – Day 5" daily class schedule.

Each block will last about 10 minutes to allow for transitions between classes. Below is the rotation schedule:

A block – 6:00pm to 6:10pm

B2 block – 6:12pm to 6:22pm

C1 block – 6:24pm to 6:34pm

C2 block – 6:36pm to 6:46pm

D block – 6:48pm to 6:58pm

E block – 7:00pm to 7:10pm

Town Hall Meeting

7:15pm-7:45pm

A time to meet as a community, reflect on last year, and discuss our goals for the upcoming school year.

Have a wonderful weekend!

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION @ CHOICE SCHOOLS FOR 2027/2028

All 2027 kindergarten siblings of current LFAS students need to register. Siblings are not automatically registered. Please ensure you register in time in order to be considered for the lottery.

PROGRAMS OF CHOICE – DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS MONDAY, OCTOBER 26th

Langley School District offers a rich diversity of programs that are designed to meet the specific needs and interests of students. Programs include Fine Arts, French Immersion, Fundamental, Langley Environmental Awareness Program (outdoor education), Montessori, and U-Connect. Registration for Kindergarten entry (for most programs) begins on

Monday, October 5th at 12 noon, and closes on Monday, October 26th at 12 noon.

For more information and instructions to register your child, visit our District website [HERE](#)



SECONDARY BOOK SALE

The Writing Majors are holding a book sale! Come by the Writing Room on Tuesday and Thursday, September 22nd / 24th at lunch to buy a book. \$5 for 1, or buy 2 get one free! **CASH ONLY.**

Would you like to donate a book? Please bring it to Ms. Mantei by Monday after school and receive a \$2 credit per sellable book to use towards your purchase!



CARPOOL LIST

LFAS gathers information about families wishing to carpool together. Please note that LFAS does not organize the carpools; however, we do gather the information and make it available to those that wish to do so.

If you wish to be on the carpool list and consent to having your information shared with others on the list, please email Mrs. Gill at kgill@sd35.bc.ca with the following:

- your first/last name
- cross streets (address) & city
- phone number and email address
- grades of your child(ren)

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.

VISITOR REPORTING

All visitors must report to the office before they enter the school. If you are visiting a classroom or any other part of the school building, please check in at the office and wear the visitors badge that you will be given.

PARENT CONSENTS

This year, we will be collecting parent consents through an online form rather than on paper. At the beginning of the school year, an email with instructions will be sent to the primary guardian of each child as indicated in [MyEdBC](#).

These forms are separate from the verification forms and reunification forms which are sent separately.

VOLUNTEER DRIVER FORMS

There are usually a few field trips throughout the school year. For some of these our teachers rely on parent volunteer drivers. In order to drive for a field trip, parents are required to fill out our volunteer driver form and provide copies of their driver's license, ICBC insurance, private insurance (if applicable), an ICBC Driver's abstract as well as a criminal records check, which can be done in person or online with a code.

(Please note: if using the CRC code it can take up to 3 weeks for approval)

[DRIVER'S ABSTRACT LINK](#)

[LFAS DRIVER FORM](#)

[CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK LINK](#)

To avoid delay in the approval process, this information can be scanned and emailed to Mrs. Gill at kgill@sd35.bc.ca.

This can be done at any time during the year; you don't have to wait until the date of the field trip, which usually causes panic and a last-minute line up of parents trying to fill out forms.

Please remember that this process needs to be done for each new school year.

STUDENT INFORMATION VERIFICATION FORMS

Students will be handed a **YELLOW** student verification form in their class. This form is the contact and medical information we have in our system about our students. Please make any corrections in **red ink** (if possible). Please return the form by September 29th as it is required for safety reasons and to update the Parent Portal System (this system allows parents access to student information including report cards).

FROM THE COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT

SCHEDULE/COURSE CHANGES

Student schedules are subject to change up to September 30, 2026

Please ensure you are in attendance for the classes that are on your current schedule unless otherwise notified.

Our Counselling team is working as fast as possible to resolve scheduling conflicts and assist students with making changes.

PARKING LOT – PICK UP/DROP OFF SAFETY

As many of you have experienced first-hand, things are very busy during morning drop off and afternoon pick up times. We need to work together to ensure everyone's safety during morning drop off and afternoon pick up. This applies to both the front and back of the school.

The curb lane is for pick up and drop off ONLY.

The inside lane is for driving through so please do not stop while in this lane.

Do not leave your car unattended in these areas. It causes a lot of traffic issues for the other parents/caregivers that are trying to also pick up and drop off their children.

If you need to leave your vehicle to either drop off or pick up your children or to enter the school, please park your car.

Please let anyone that you allow to pick up or drop off your children, aware of this as they may not be aware of this email.

The parking lot near the Chief Sepass Door entrances has lots of room – please consider dropping older students here. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students safe!

IMPORTANT LINKS YOU MIGHT FIND HELPFUL

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS

[Order transcripts and certificates - Province of British Columbia](#)

PASSWORD CHANGES

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/lfas/school-password-reset-for-students>

MYED ASSISTANCE

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/myedbc-family-student-portal-help>

TEAMS ASSISTANCE

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/lfas/offic-365-teams-email-access>

OBTAINING YOUR P.E.N.

[Getting your Personal Education Number \(PEN\) - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](#)



GRAD NEWS & UPDATES



Grad Cruise

Harbour Cruises – Vancouver Thursday, October 22, 2026

**2027 STUDENT & MAJOR (and all 2026 overdue) FEES
MUST BE PAID BEFORE PICKING UP TICKETS**

Guest passes will be available in the office – due **Tues, Oct 14** for approval
Tickets go on sale through School Cash Online: Friday, Sept 11 (TODAY)
Pickup begins: Oct 12

Grad Portraits

November 16th to November 19th

[More information to come with booking instructions](#)

Grad Rehearsal

Monday, June 21, 2027

Grad Commencement Ceremony

Tuesday, June 22, 2027
Church in the Valley

Grad Dinner/Dance

Monday, June 28, 2027
Newlands Golf & Country Club



Grad Cruise Itinerary:

Thursday, October 22nd
Harbour Cruises

5:00 Snacks and Group Photo
5:30 Bus departs LFAS
7:00 Cruise departs
10:00 Cruise ends
10:30 Bus departs Vancouver
11:15 Arrive at LFAS for pick up

***** REMINDER ***** to keep checking Langley School District's Community Bulletin Board for lots of events <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/10233/community>

ON THE HORIZON

Sept 21 – First full day for kindergarten students

Sept 22 – PAC Meeting @ 9:15 in Library

Sept 22 – Fire and Earthquake DRILLS

Sept 22 – Secondary Book Sale in Writing Room @ Lunch

Sept 23 – Individual Photo Day

Sept 24 - Sept 22 – Secondary Book Sale in Writing Room @ Lunch

Sept 25 – School Improvement Day (students not in attendance)

Sept 29 – Verification Forms due

Sept 30 – Truth and Reconciliation Day (school closed)

Oct 6 – Lockdown DRILL

Oct 8 – Fire DRILL

Oct 12 – Thanksgiving (school closed)

Oct 15 – Individual Photo Retake Day

Oct 15 – The Great Shake Out Earthquake DRILL

Oct 21 – 1 Hour Early Dismissal – P/T Teacher Conferences (Grade 6 to 12 only)

Oct 22 – 1 Hour Early Dismissal – P/T Teacher Conferences (Grade 6 to 12 only)

Oct 22 – Grad Cruise

Oct 23 – Professional Development Day (students not in attendance)

Oct 29 – PSI Day @ LFAS (Post Secondary Institution visits)

Oct 30 – Halloween Carnival

Nov 2 – Literacy 12 Assessments

Nov 3 – Literacy 12 Assessments

Nov 3 – Fire DRILL

Nov 4 – Grade 9 Take Your Kid to Work Day (Grade 9 only)

Nov 11 – Remembrance Day (school closed)

**Nov 16 to 19 – Grad Portraits – by sign up only. More info to come soon.
ALL GRADS MUST GET PORTRAIT TAKEN**

Nov 20 – Design and Assessment Day/Learning Update Prep (all students not in attendance)

**Nov 25 – Student Inclusive Conferences – (Kindergarten to Grade 5)
ONLY attend if conference time booked with classroom teacher**

Nov 26 – 2 Hour Early Dismissal – Student Inclusive Conferences – (Kindergarten to Grade 5 only)

Nov 30 to Dec 5 – Music Nights

Dec 4 – District Drama Festival

Dec 4 – Grad Portrait Retakes – by sign up only. More info to come soon

Dec 8 – Photo Night @ 7:00pm

Dec 9 & 10 – Dance Show @ 7:00pm

Dec 11 – Annual Night of Choirs

Dec 16 – Grade 1/2 Sharing Show

Dec 17 – Santa Breakfast

Dec 17 – Last Day Prior to Winter Break

Dec 18 to Jan 4 – Winter Break

Jan 5 – School Re-Opens from Winter Break

Communicating With Your School

Schools and families continue to work together to ensure success for students. If you have an issue or concern but don't know who to speak with, the District encourages you to read these helpful Communicating with your School guidelines for parents/guardians found on our District website [here](#). As an additional reference, review this one-page resource [here](#).

SchoolMessenger

The Langley School District uses a notification system called SchoolMessenger to communicate information to families throughout the school year. As we continue to welcome new families to our District, some parents/guardians may receive a text message notifying them about SchoolMessenger. If you need to update your contact info on file, please reach out to your school. For more info about SchoolMessenger, visit the District website [here](#).

Connecting with schools and families via **SchoolMessenger**

Families will receive fast, accurate, and responsive communications to help keep our community healthy and safe.

Notification System for Parental Outreach

Emergency Broadcasts
School Information
Attendance Alerts



Safe and Secure Messaging Service

Recorded Phone Messages
Email Messages
Text Message (Opt-In Optional)

What do families need to do in preparation for the new notification service?

- Ensure your contact information on MyEDBC is up to date (email addresses and phone numbers). Please contact the school to make changes.
- If contact information is up to date, you will automatically receive phone and email messages.
- If you want to take advantage of the text message notification service (optional), please follow the instructions. If you have already opted-in by responding to an earlier text message sent by the District, no further action is needed. Instructions to opt-in are [here](#).

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SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

= IS COMING! =



WHEN:

WEDNESDAY
SEPT 23rd 2026



RETAKE DAY:

THURSDAY OCT.
15TH 2026



WHERE:

Langley Fine
Arts School



Pre-register today
& receive an email
instantly when your
photos are ready to view.



PRE-REGISTER YOUR STUDENT

Pre-register by purchasing a \$20 voucher. Get a \$25 credit.
Credit can be use on any single item or package of your choice.
\$5 complimentary as a thank you from us to you.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)



IT'S EASY! PRE-REGISTER NOW.

1



Click link to "Pre-Register"

[LINK](#)

2



ENTER KEYWORD

[Bonus5LFA](#)

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Credit will
automatically applied
at checkout when
ordering your photo

**DON'T
FORGET!**



After photos are taken,
please ask your student
for their unique QR code
slip provided at the camera.

After photo day, visit vibrantprostudios.ca
and enter your student's unique QR code
to view and order your photos.

Thank you for helping us capture your memories!



vibrantprostudios.ca



info@vibrantprostudios.ca



604-380-3388

stal'əw' Pow Wow

- September 11th, 12th and 13th
- Langley Events Center



- Whether you're a dancer, drummer, vendor, or visitor, this is a day you won't want to miss. All are Welcome!
- Tickets available here: <https://www.stalewpowwow.ca/tickets>



Career Exploration:

TOWNSHIP OF LANGLEY FIRE HALL

TUESDAYS OR WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Considering firefighting as an occupation?

Selected students will experience job shadowing Township of Langley Fire Hall personnel. Students will spend ten 3-hour shifts at an assigned Fire Hall. Apply for this District Work And Volunteer Experience opportunity now!

Open to students in grade 11 and 12!

Selected students choose one session:

Session #1

Oct 13 - Dec 15, 2026 (Tuesdays) **OR** Oct 14 - Dec 16 (Wednesdays)

Session #2

Apr 6 - Jun 15, 2027 (Tuesdays) **OR** Apr 7 - Jun 16 (Wednesdays)

See your Career Advisor for more info & an application!

Applications Due Sept 28!





VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



*Make a difference.
Gain experience.
Inspire your future.*



Join a team. Support your community. Be part of LMH.



APPLICATION DATES



APPLICATIONS OPEN
SEPTEMBER 14



APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SEPTEMBER 24



*Please see your
Career Advisor for
Application Support*





Grief & Loss

Support Training Series

Through experiential learning, participants develop their supportive skills and practical strategies for helping others cope with loss.

Monday, Sept 28,
Oct 5, 19
6:00pm-8:30pm

Wednesday, Oct 7, 14, 21
6:00pm - 8:30pm

Friday, October 23 - 9:00am to 3:00 pm

See your Career Advisor for an application!
Applications Due: Wednesday, Sept. 23





NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

SEPTEMBER 30

EVERY CHILD MATTERS

Remember • Learn • Honour • Reflect • Take Action

A note for educators Truth comes before reconciliation. Centre the voices of Indigenous authors and Survivors, honour the children who did not return home, and create space for learning that is relational, age-appropriate, and grounded in care.

Orange Shirt Day & National Day for Truth and Reconciliation: Both are observed September 30. **Orange Shirt Day** is an Indigenous-led grassroots movement inspired by Phyllis Webstad’s story and “Every Child Matters.” **The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation** is a federal statutory day responding to TRC Call to Action #80, honouring Survivors, families and communities, remembering the children who did not return home, and encouraging learning, reflection and action toward reconciliation.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Honour Survivors • Remember the children • Learn the story behind the orange shirt



Phyllis’s Orange Shirt

by Phyllis Webstad • illustrated by Brock Nicol

Introduces young children to Phyllis Webstad’s true story and the orange shirt that was taken from her on her first day at residential school—the story that inspired Orange Shirt Day.

Recommended ages: 3–6



Every Child Matters

by Phyllis Webstad • illustrated by Karlene Harvey

Shares the meaning behind “Every Child Matters,” honouring Survivors, Intergenerational Survivors, the children who did not return home, and the resilience of Indigenous Peoples.

Recommended ages: 4+



With Our Orange Hearts

by Phyllis Webstad • illustrated by Emily Kewageshig

This gentle picture book helps young children explore big feelings, listening, sharing, kindness, and connection. It encourages children to open their hearts when others share their experiences and introduces listening as an important first step toward reconciliation.

Recommended ages: 3–6



Today is Orange Shirt Day

by Phyllis Webstad • illustrated by Natassia Davies

This gentle picture book helps young children explore big feelings, listening, sharing, kindness, and connection. It encourages children to open their hearts when others share their experiences and introduces listening as an important first step toward reconciliation.

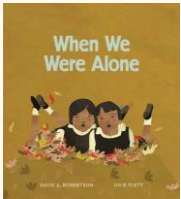
Recommended ages: 3–6



NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Truth • Remembrance • Residential Schools • Language • Identity • Healing • Reconciliation

The books support learning about residential schools and their ongoing impacts, Survivors, language and cultural reclamation, remembrance, relationships, truth, and reconciliation.

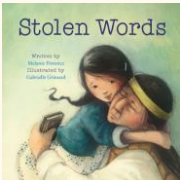


When We Were Alone

by David A. Robertson • illustrated by Julie Flett

Through a conversation between a young girl and her grandmother, this gentle story explores residential schools, family, language, identity, and the ways children held on to who they were.

Recommended ages: 4–8

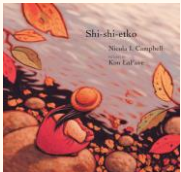


Stolen Words

by Melanie Florence • illustrated by Gabrielle Grimard

A granddaughter helps her grandfather reconnect with the Cree language that was taken from him through residential school. A sensitive story about language reclamation, healing, and intergenerational connection.

Recommended ages: 5–7

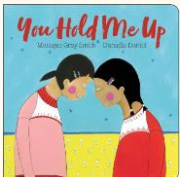


Shi-shi-etko

by Nicola I. Campbell • illustrated by Kim LaFave

Shi-shi-etko has four days before leaving for residential school. She gathers memories, family teachings, and connections to the land to carry with her in her heart.

Recommended ages: 4–8

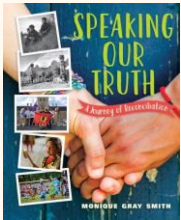


You Hold Me Up

by Monique Gray Smith • illustrated by Danielle Daniel

A warm, accessible book about reconciliation through relationships. It encourages children to listen, respect, comfort, care for, and hold one another up.

Recommended ages: 3–5

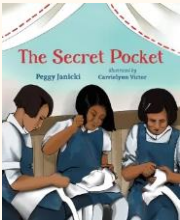


Speaking Our Truth: A Journey of Reconciliation

by Monique Gray Smith

An engaging resource exploring residential schools, their ongoing impacts, truth, healing, resilience, allyship, and the responsibilities we share on the journey toward reconciliation.

Recommended ages: 9+

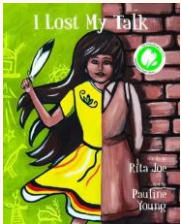


The Secret Pocket

by Peggy Janicki • illustrated by Carrielynn Victor

Based on the author's family history, this moving picture book tells how Indigenous girls at Lejac Residential School secretly sewed pockets into their clothing to hide food for one another. It introduces residential school history while highlighting ingenuity, resistance, care, and the ways children supported one another.

Recommended ages: 8–12 (Grades 3–7)

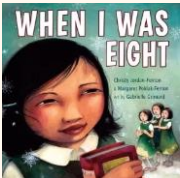


I Lost My Talk

by Rita Joe • illustrated by Pauline Young

Rita Joe's powerful poem shares her experience of having her Mi'kmaw language taken from her at Shubenacadie Residential School. The book opens conversations about language, identity, cultural loss and reclamation, and the role of truth and understanding in reconciliation.

Recommended ages: 4–9 (Preschool–Grade 4)



When I Was Eight

by Christy Jordan-Fenton & Margaret-Olemaun Pokiak-Fenton • illustrated by Gabrielle Grimard

Based on Margaret-Olemaun Pokiak-Fenton's true story, this picture book follows eight-year-old Olemaun as she leaves her Arctic home to attend residential school because she longs to learn to read. Despite having her name and hair taken from her and facing cruelty at school, her determination and strength endure.

Recommended ages: 6–9 (Grades 1–4)

Truth comes before reconciliation.

Honouring the children, Survivors, families and communities.

RELATIONSHIPS • RESPECT • TRUTH • ACTION • HEALING • A BRIGHTER TOMORROW

LFAS PAC

Meeting

Join us and be part of
our school community!



Tuesday,
September 22



9:15 a.m.



In the School Library

We look forward to
seeing you there!





Treat Fridays

After School at Basketball Court

100% Proceeds go to Dry Grad Fundraising

COMING SOON

Fridays in October

October 2nd and 9th

