



Thunder Blurb: Wed Oct 15th

Principal's Message



A big thank you to our AVID 12 students who were instrumental in organizing and fundraising for our **Terry Fox Run** last week. They were able to raise \$2000 for the fight against cancer with many participating with someone in mind.

A shout out to senior, Jackson Poitras who was named last week's NFL Canada Way to play award winner after a one handed catch. Jackson will receive a \$3K grant for equipment at the school. Way to go!!

We look forward to meeting you on **Oct 22nd or 23rd** through Parent teacher meetings. Please make an appointment online at lss.schoolappointments.com beginning Oct 10th - 21st. Interims distributed between Oct 14- 17th are informal learning updates about how things are going so far prior to formal reports mid semester.

Students and staff are invited to join in Halloween festivities by dressing up in creative, school-appropriate costumes and participating in various activities offered by the leadership students. Please remember, for everyone's safety and enjoyment, costumes do not include replica weapons, fireworks or any items that could be considered dangerous or disruptive. We look forward to seeing your creativity and Halloween spirit!

Literacy and numeracy assessments take place on the week of November **3rd - 7th**. These are mandatory for grades 10 and 12 and are a graduation requirement. Please see more details on the following pages.

Take your kids to work day takes place this year on **Wed Nov 5th**. This is part of the Careers 9 program. Post Secondary BC Day is at Langley Secondary school on Thursday Nov 6th to provide an opportunity for students in gr. 11 & 12 to visit kiosks and ask questions of a variety of post secondary schools.

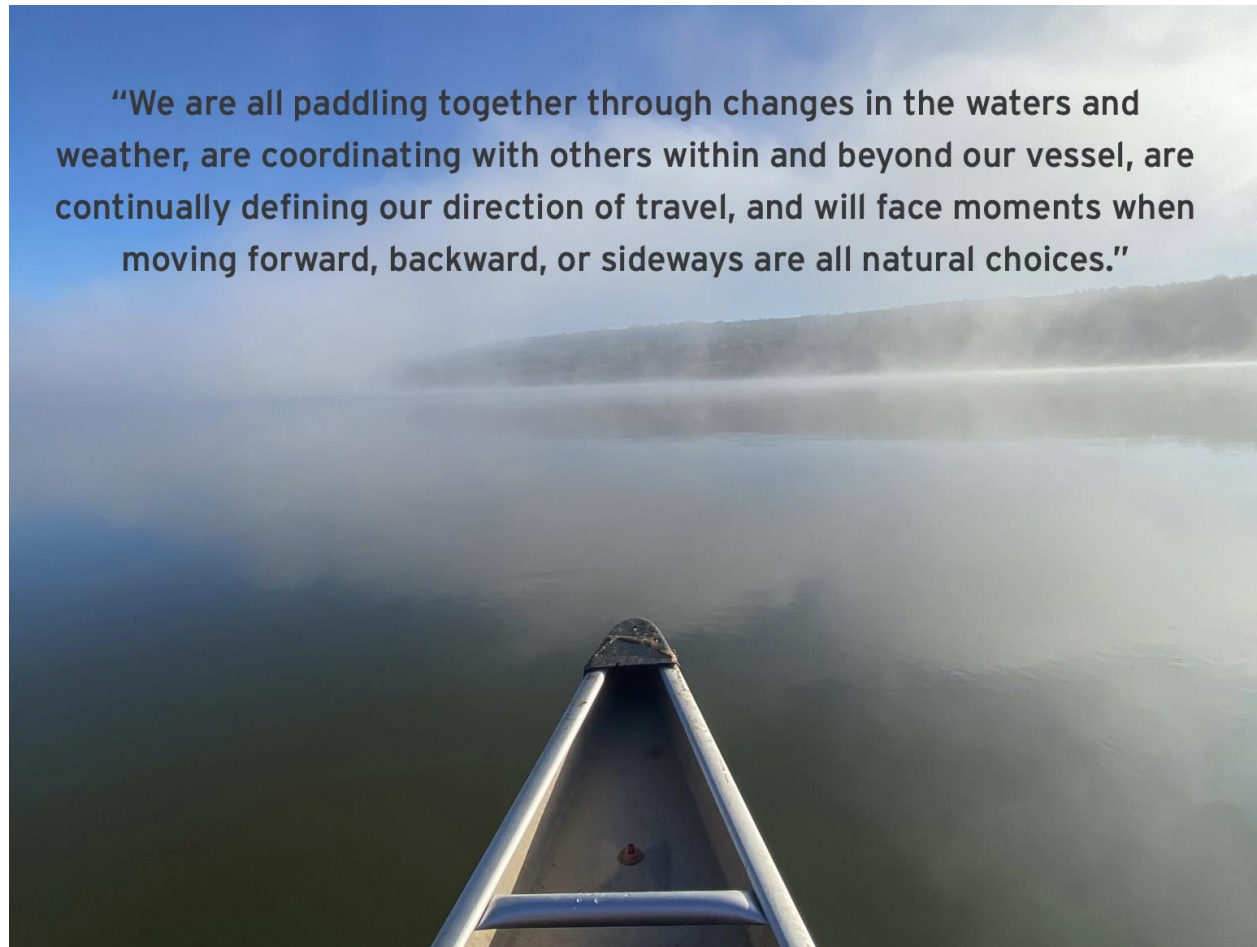
Diane Smillie, Principal







Important Dates on the Horizon



Tues Oct 14 - 17th Interim Report

Wed Oct 22nd: Parent Teacher Interviews

Thur Oct 23rd: Parent Teacher Interviews

Thurs Oct 23rd: Gr 9 Parent Evening (6:00 pm)

Thurs Oct 23rd: Gr 12 Parent Evening (7:00 pm)

Fri Oct 24th: Pro D (No school for students)

Fri Oct 24th: Tickets on Sale for Winter Formal

Fri / Sat Oct 24- 25th: Halloween Volleyball Tournament

Mon Oct 27th: PAC Meeting

Mon Nov 3rd - 7th: Grade 10 & 12 Literacy & Numeracy Assessments

Wed Nov 5th: Take Our Kids to Work Day (Grade 9)

Thurs Nov 6th: Post Secondary BC Day (gr 11 & 12)

School News



Student Council is the voice of the students: a group of leaders who work to improve school life, and bring student ideas to life!

The Council consists of four members: President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Communicator. Each of them plays a unique role to empower LSS students.



WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE ON OCTOBER 21ST ?

Voting for your four student
council representatives gives you
a say in who you want to
represent you

Your voice matters!



[Learning Updates / Report Cards](#)

Over the course of a school year, parents and caregivers should expect to receive 5 Learning Updates:

2 Informal Learning Updates

- Communication of student learning in relation to the learning standards in all current areas of learning. No percentage, letter grade or Competency Based Assessment needed for the Informal Reporting.
- **Informal** learning updates may involve one of the following: Interims, phone calls, emails, interviews, student reflections.

3 Formal Written Learning Updates

- Communication of student learning in relation to the learning standards
- Proficiency (gr 9)
- Percentage / Letter Grade (gr 10 – 12)
- Feedback describing student strengths, areas for future growth, and opportunities for further development.
- Student generated content, including self-reflection on the Core Competencies and goal setting

The yearly timeline for reporting in both semester and linear courses are shown below:

ALIGNING REPORTING – SECONDARY

Classroom Teacher - Semester	Classroom Teacher - Linear	Learning Support Teacher	ELL Teacher
Informal Learning Update #1 * Week of October 14-17	Informal Learning Update #1 * Week of October 14-17	Informal Learning Update #1 * IEP Meeting	Informal Learning Update #1 * Week of October 14-17
Formal Learning Update #1 * November 21	Formal Learning Update #1 * November 21	Formal Learning Update #1 * IEP completed by Oct. 31	Formal Learning Update #1 * Progress Report – Nov. 21
Summary of Learning * February 6	Informal Learning Update #2 * February 6	Informal Learning Update #2 * February 6	Informal Learning Update #2 * February 6
Informal Learning Update #2 * Week of March 2-6			
Formal Learning Update #2 * April 27	Formal Learning Update #2 * April 27	Formal Learning Update #2 * Progress Report - April 27	Formal Learning Update #2 * Progress Report - April 27
Summary of Learning * June 25	Summary of Learning * June 25	Summary of Learning * June 25	Summary of Learning * June 25

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher meetings take place on October 22 (2:05 – 4:30 pm) or October 23 (2:05 – 7:30 pm). Appointments will be booked online at [LSS Parent Teacher Interview](#).

Appointments: The website will be open for parents to book appointments at 3 pm October 10th. The website will close for bookings at 11:59PM on Tuesday, October 22nd.

Grade 9 parents are invited to a Gr 9 parent evening at 6:00 pm on Oct 23rd in the Small Gym. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an overview for programming and answer any questions you may have if you are new to the secondary setting.

Grade 12 parents are also invited to a Gr 12 parent evening at 7:00 pm on Oct 23rd in the Small Gym to review grad requirements and credits and post secondary admissions.

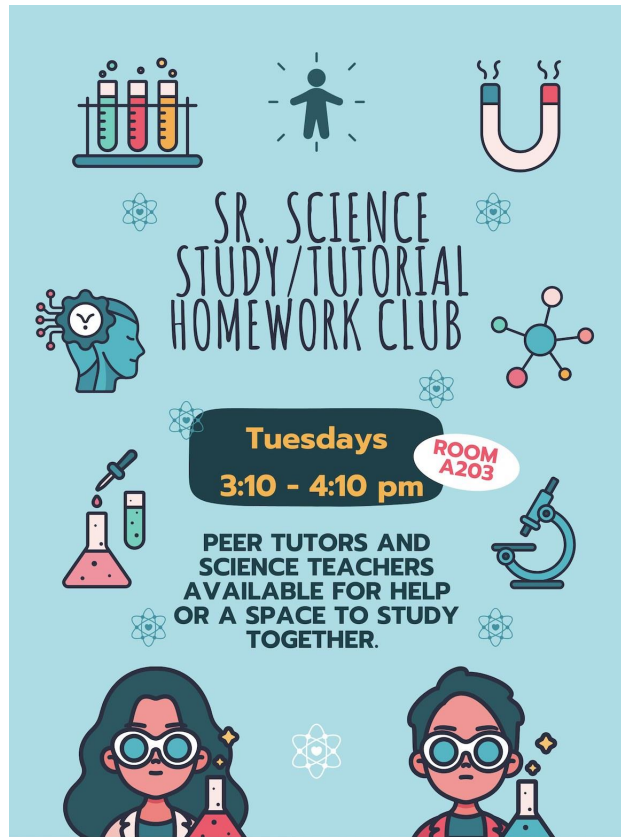
Academic Tutoring

Homework Club: Tuesday and Thursday 3:00- 4:00 pm in Room 114.

Math Tutoring

Aside from seeking extra help from the classroom teacher, student math tutors are also available. Please reach out to the counsellor in charge of your child's alpha to help direct.

Senior Science Tutoring



Senior Science Study/Tutorial Time

Offering Tuesdays after school in room A203 from 3:10 – 4:10 pm. There will be Senior students to support/tutor/study, as well as a science department teacher.

Literacy and Numeracy Assessments : Nov 3rd - 7th

Ministry Literacy and Numeracy assessments are coming up quick! These are a graduation requirement

Assessments will run the week of November 3rd. Grade 10s will be writing Literacy and/or Numeracy and Grade 12s will be writing Literacy 12.

*We will also take this opportunity to have **Grade 12s make up Grade 10 assessments** they may have missed.*

Take Our Kids to Work Day: Nov 5th

Grade 9 Families:

Take Our Kids to Work Day is on **Wednesday, November 5**. This is a day when students are encouraged to gain experience outside of school by going to work with a trusted adult (it doesn't have to be a parent) for the entire school day. This can be a valuable opportunity to explore careers.

Your student will receive a permission form in A block on **Monday October 20th**. Parents, your assistance in helping students connect to an opportunity for November 5 is greatly appreciated. If no opportunity is available, Food Safe Level 1 is being offered as a full day course for a cost of \$25 (usually \$90) at LSS with limited seats. Another limited opportunity (free of charge) is a day at the Langley Learning Farm across the street at Derek Doubleday with Langley Environmental Protection Society staff. Forms for these will be shared on October 20th and will be first come, first served.

- Oct 20 - Permission Forms Distributed
- Oct 31 - Permission Forms Due to Career Office A103b (in the Counselling Centre)
- Nov 3 - Assignments Distributed
- Nov 5 - Take Our Kid to Work Day (grade 9)
- Nov 13 - Assignment Due on Spaces.edu

In addition to paper copies given out in class, all forms will be available on the class team and on the career corner bulletin board.

Parents, feel free to email the Career Education 9 teacher, Rachel Kiers at rkiers@sd35.bc.ca with any

questions. If your employer can take more students than your own, consider including others. There are always students who are in need of connecting to an opportunity. Thank you for your efforts!

Grad News



Post Secondary Info

Many post secondary institutions are opening up their applications soon. Counsellors will be speaking with graduates about their grad requirements and post secondary options on Tuesday, Oct 21st. This information will be offered to parents on the evening of Thurs. Oct 23rd at 7:00 pm.

Grad photos



Grad photos are scheduled for Jan 8th - 13th in the mobile photo studio at LSS!

Booking QR codes will be posted around the school and links will be sent out via Teams.

Alternatively, you can book online now using [THIS LINK!](#)

Please note that all grads will need to have a photo taken for the grad composite, yearbook and commencement.

The poster has a light beige background with a decorative border of orange and yellow autumn leaves and green vine-like branches. Several pumpkins are illustrated: a large jack-o'-lantern with a wide grin on the left, a small pumpkin with a sad face at the top right, a pumpkin with a surprised face on the right, a pumpkin with a happy face at the bottom right, and a pumpkin with a surprised face at the bottom left. The main title is in a large, orange, serif font, and the event details are in a smaller, dark red, serif font.

PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

FOR GRADE 12'S!

SIGN UP IN GROUPS
OF 2-3 IN
MS DUONG'S ROOM
BY OCT 24

October 29th at lunch upstairs

Pizza will be sold

WINTER FORMAL

Under the Stars

November 27th at LSS

Senior Students Only

Guests allowed

Guests must be a senior student or a last year's graduate

\$25

TICKETS ON SALE OCTOBER 24TH
GUEST PASSES DUE NOVEMBER 7TH

GUEST PASSES CAN BE PICKED UP IN THE OFFICE

Seniors Dance (gr 11 & 12) with guest passes. Tickets will go on sale on **Oct 24th** and guest passes can be picked up in the office and are due before **Nov 7th**.

CAREER NEWS

CAREER ED WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

We have a **new website** and students, parents and staff are encouraged to visit <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/careered> and to follow the District Career Education Department on social media (@sd35careered) as information is shared as soon as it's available. Thank you for your patience as we update the website!

You will find a weekly PowerPoint giving you the most up-to-date information on what opportunities are available on our website.

Post Secondary BC Day – Thurs. November 6th @ Langley Secondary School

Grades 11&12's! On the afternoon of Thursday, November 6th we will have 18 post-secondary institutions join us in the big gym at LSS. Students are encouraged to start researching the post-secondary schools on the list attached that are of most interest to them. There will be a mini fair to follow for any grade level students that interested at the end of the day.

PSBC DAY

Gr. 11 - 12's research the following institutions:

Need help? See Ms. Stuiwe in the counselling centre









Students are encouraged to get-involved in school and community activities. Here are a few ideas and who you can contact for more info.

CLUBS

LSS CLUBS

Show up for a meeting. All are welcome!

	LED BY	WHEN/WHERE TO MEET	BEGINS	DESCRIPTION
ANIME CLUB	HJDECKI	@ LUNCH & AFTER SCHOOL, PORTABLE 24 (closer to stadium)	SEPTEMBER	At lunch we watch the first episode of a new anime, chosen either by teacher or student within the club. After school, we can talk about the anime or watch two more episodes with popcorn!
ANTI-RACISM & DIVERSITY CLUB	DUONG	WEDNESDAYS @ LUNCH, A215	September	Students who want to make a difference and are reliable work together to create posters, announcements, host events & fundraisers throughout the year. Listen to announcements for first meeting.
BADMINTON CLUB	CALDERON	AFTER SCHOOL, LARGE GYM	WINTER	Play badminton!
BOOK CLUB	KUSICK	THURSDAYS @ LUNCH, A131 Every other week	SEPTEMBER 18	Connect with other readers, share about what you're reading, get recommendations. Full day field trip to celebrate with readers from Langley School District
CROCHET CLUB	POGORZELSKI WILLIAMSON	AFTER SCHOOL, A112	SEPTEMBER 17	New or experienced crocheters welcome!
DANCE CLUB	LIDEMARK	MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, 3-4pm, Dance Studio, A78	START OF SEMESTER 1 OR 2	Join us to do HIP HOP/UAZZ/FLANK, choreos, if you'd like to perform.
DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB	HJDECKI	TUESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL	TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 14	Play! We can teach you if you've never played.
ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB	PAGNANINI	THURSDAYS @ LUNCH, A203	SEPTEMBER	Plan activities to engage/improve earth-friendly choices for LSS

1 - LSS CLUBS

LSS CLUBS CONTINUED

Show up for a meeting. All are welcome!

	LED BY	WHEN/WHERE TO MEET	BEGINS	DESCRIPTION
GOLF CLUB	RAND	TBD	SPRING	Play golf!
GRAD COUNCIL	BENZANSON	THURSDAYS 1x/MONTH	SEPTEMBER 11	Plan events to make Grade 12 the BEST YEAR!
HOMEWORK CLUB	SEA'S & AVID 12 STUDENTS	TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL, A114	SEPTEMBER	Get support on your homework. Starts 3rd week in September.
K-POP CLUB	ALATRASH	MONDAYS @ LUNCH	SEPTEMBER 16	Meet other fans! We listen to the latest releases, play games, decorate photo cards and other K-pop related activities.
MAGIC THE GATHERING CLUB	WATSON	TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS @ LUNCH, PORTABLE 8	SEPTEMBER	Learn & play the card game Improve deck-building skills
MINDFULNESS	SEYMOUR	THURSDAYS AFTER SCHOOL, DANCE STUDIO	SEPTEMBER	Explore various mindfulness techniques like breath work, journaling and more. Build skills and resilience and connect with others!
STUDENT COUNCIL	ZYRA	TBD (To be determined)	TBD	Nominees have experience as school leaders. Student vote to elect positions. More to come.

2 - LSS CLUBS II

ATHLETICS

THUNDERBIRD SPORTS

Cross Country, Football and Soccer still accepting new student athletes!

	TEACHER	WHEN /WHERE TO MEET	START DATE	SEASON
CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING	NICOL PAGNANINI	WED/THURS PRACTICES AFTER SCHOOL, A203	Meeting September 4 th at Lunch in A202	FALL
FOOTBALL	MAC LEOO - Senior SAFIQ - Junior	M, T, W, R, 3pm, STADIUM	JUNE, FALL for GR. 9	FALL
SOCCER	ROWE	Senior Tryouts: Sept. 8 & 10 3:15pm	SEPTEMBER (2nd WEEK)	BOYS' FALL, GIRLS' SPRING
VOLLEYBALL	MCLEOD - Senior MYETTE - Grade 10	September 3&4 Juniors - 3:15-5:30 Seniors - 6-8pm	Tryouts: 1st week of school	FALL
BASKETBALL	SHEPPARD		LATE OCT	WINTER
CURLING			MID NOV	WINTER
RUGBY	PAUL & VAN MEER	Boys & Girls	FEBRUARY	SPRING
BADMINTON	OH		LATE FEBRUARY	SPRING
ULTIMATE FRISBEE	HEATH		LATE FEBRUARY	SPRING
TRACK & FIELD	NICOL/PAGNANINI/ SYNYCHYCH		APRIL	SPRING
ICE & BALL HOCKEY	BANNISTER	TBD	APRIL	SPRING
GOLF			APRIL	SPRING

3 - ATHLETICS

COURSES OUTSIDE THE TIME TABLE

Have a question? Contact the teacher on Teams or in Person.

	TEACHER	WHEN/WHERE TO MEET	WHO IT'S FOR, WHEN TO JOIN
CHOIR	TRESSSEL	MON & WED 3:10 - 4:30	GRADES 9-12, COURSE SELECTION & SEPTEMBER
CONCERT BAND	TRESSSEL	TUES & THURS 3:10 - 4:30	GRADES 9-12, COURSE SELECTION & SEPTEMBER
JAZZ BAND	TRESSSEL	TUES & THURS 7:30 - 8:30AM	GRADES 9-12, COURSE SELECTION & SEPTEMBER
MUSICAL THEATRE	MC MATH	MON 4:45-8:30 & FRI 3 - 4:30	GRADES 9-12, COURSE SELECTION & SEPTEMBER
TECH CREW	LOPEZ/NIELD	WED AFTER SCHOOL	GRADES 9-12, COURSE SELECTION & SEPTEMBER
ATHLETIC LEADERSHIP	SHEPPARD	FULL YEAR	GRADES 9-12, COURSE SELECTION
LEADERSHIP	WILLIAMSON/ZYRA	FULL YEAR 7:30am TUESDAYS	GRADES 9-12, COURSE SELECTION
PEER MENTORSHIP	VAN MEER	Teams Message VAN MEER	GRADES 10, 11, 12, COURSE SELECTION & SEPTEMBER
WORK & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE	KIERS	Info Sessions at Lunch Sept. 9, 11 & 12 in A113 FIRST CLASS, Sept 18 library @REP	Applications due in A103b, September 26, 2025

4 - ATHLETICS II

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Career Advisors Ms. Sandie Seymour or Mrs. Naomi Warmerdam for applications and details.

OPPORTUNITY	WHEN/WHERE	Applications & Info at the LSS Careers Office
LSS BREAKFAST PROGRAM (10-students needed) Join with a friend	7:30 - 8:30 am One day/week 2 month commitment 2 students each day	Give back to LSS! Get experience for your first job! Reliable students who can practice food-safe and knife-handling skills can apply with the form on the career corner bulletin board. Training provided.
LIBRARY VOLUNTEER (2)	Lunch, REP, or after school	Positions have been filled for Semester 1.
LANGLEY LEARNING FARM (6 students, grade 9-12 welcome)	Derek Doubleday Arboretum 3-4pm, Mondays & Tuesdays starting October	Learn to grow and care for a garden. Spend time outdoors in all types of weather. Work together with peers. Follow the life cycle of a plant.
BGC (formerly Boys & Girls Club) All ages welcome	Douglas Park Elementary	Support elementary kids with after school care sports, crafts and activities. Training provided. Be part of a team and make an impact! Develop leadership skills and community!
VOLUNTEER (16-18 years old)	Langley Memorial Hospital	Take on a bunch of different roles serving guests and patients at LMH. Gift shop, surveys, food service, and more! Applications opening in October and June for full year or summer.
PENNY PINCHERS THRIFT STORE	DOWNTOWN LANGLEY	Help sort, organize and sell products that support the hospice. Get first dibs on what donations are brought in.
MISSION THRIFT STORE	DOWNTOWN LANGLEY	Sort donations
GATEWAY OF HOPE, Salvation Army	5787 LANGLEY BYPASS	Kitchen, Food Prep (Pick a weekday, 3-7pm) Holiday Meals (decorate and handout meals) Building/Support Projects/clean windows, office work Kettle Campaign (collect donations outside stores) Prepare care packs & hampers

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Contact Ms. Seymour, Mrs. Storie or Mrs. Kiers for more information

5 - Volunteer Opportunities

OPPORTUNITY	WHEN/WHERE	Applications & Info at the LSS Careers Office
Big Brothers, Big Sisters Langley	Various Locations	Go Girls, 1:1 Mentorship Holiday Gift Wrapping at Willowbrook Mall Spring break or summer camp for kids
Langley Literacy Network	Langley Libraries After school, grade 10-12	Be a big buddy! Training provided. Work with students in grade 2-4. Watch Teams for openings.
Langley Seniors Resources Society Adult Day Program	20256 56 Ave, Langley	Assist with Meals to Go/Cater events on evenings and weekends Tech Support (help seniors send emails and photos) Snow Shoveling (on call) Christmas Hamper Helpers (1 day only) Serve cookies and hot chocolate Serve at the half marathon in February
City of Langley	Timms Community Centre	Assist with programs, camps, etc.
Township of Langley	Pools and Rec Centres	Assist with programs, swimming lessons, camps, etc.
Small Blessings Animal Ministries	17330 21A Ave, Surrey	90-120min shifts with horses. 1hr bus ride from LSS
Know of another opportunity? Share it with Ms. Kiers rkiers@d35.bc.ca		

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Give Back

6 - Volunteer Opportunities II

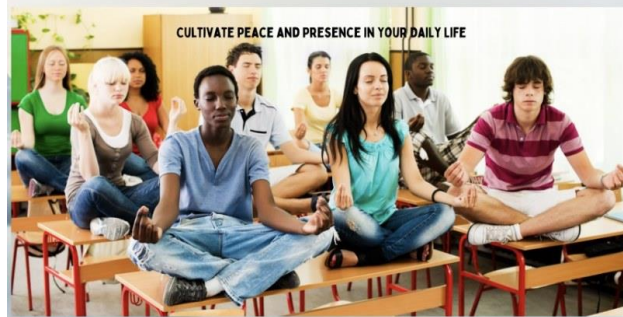
Mindfulness Club:

Our Careers advisor, Sandie Seymour is inviting students to build their **mindfulness toolkit** by trying out different techniques to see what works best for you. We will try something different each week. It's not all about zenning out in the lotus position! It will be staff led with the occasional guest presenter, and you can even bring your own favourite techniques to share with the group. Bring calm into your life Come join us on Thursdays after school! Meet in the Dance Studio.

FIND YOUR CALM
FIND YOUR FOCUS
MINDFULNESS
GROUP

Meeting Thursdays at 3 PM
Dance Studio

For info and sign up, message Sandie Seymour, Career Advisor
in Teams, or drop by Counselling Centre.



PAC News



Dear Langley Secondary Parents and Guardians,

The Langley Secondary Parent Advisory Council (PAC) would like to extend a warm welcome to all the parents and guardians of our Langley Secondary students. The LSS PAC meets on the 3rd or 4th Monday of most school months to receive school updates from the principal and to discuss recent events and issues that arise at the school.

Our PAC meetings are on the last Monday of every month with the next one on October 27th, 7pm in the school library. We would welcome you all to attend.

One of the required functions of the PAC is to distribute funds raised through parent donations and gaming grant funds. This is a very important task allowing parents to have a voice in how money is allocated at the school.

The Gaming grant that the PAC receives does help with most of the requests from teachers, but there are some items which do not fall under the gaming grant criteria. Scholarships and bursaries are one of the items that are no longer eligible with gaming funds. In the past we have been able to help 4 LSS Grads with bursaries for post secondary education, we are hoping to continue helping our students for years to come.

Please show your Thunderbird Spirit by donating to LSS PAC. Any donation, large or small, is welcome and greatly appreciated! Thank you in advance for helping enrich the school experience for all our Thunderbirds.

Imagine, if every family donated \$5, your support would make a big impact.

If you would like to contribute to the PAC, please donate via your School Cash Online account.

Lastly, I have included a copy of our constitution and by-laws, an agenda for the next meeting, the minutes from our last meeting as well as the final budgets from last year.

Sincerely,

Cathy Worrall: PAC president, as well as the rest of the PAC executives

If you have any questions, please email me at lsspacpresident@gmail.com

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](#).

COMMUNICATING with your school

GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING AN ISSUE OR CONCERN

1

Start with the employee whose action has given rise to the issue or concern

2

Contact your principal, vice-principal, or counsellor

3

Speak with a District Principal or Assistant Superintendent

4

When applicable, make an appeal to the Board of Education



Emergency Procedures



STAFF EMERGENCY PROCEDURES	
LOCKDOWN Used in response to an armed or dangerous assailant WITHIN the school ☐ Gather people in your vicinity into a secure room – do this quickly ☐ Close and secure doors ☐ Turn off lights, be quiet, get down low/behind heavy furniture, get out of sight ☐ Silence all cell phones and ask that they be placed face down on floor ☐ Alert other occupants by any means available and/or call 911 - only if safe to do so OR Leave Safe. If no secure area is available and a safe exit is, then quickly leave the area/school. Report to the designated assembly area and await instructions. *Normal activities in the school cease. Await police response.	 EMERGENCY TERMINOLOGY QUICK REFERENCE SCHOOL DRILLS FIRE • 6 drills per year • 3 per semester - fall and spring Note: actual alarms and false alarms count as drills EARTHQUAKE • 2 drills per year • October - Great BC Shakeout LOCKDOWN • 3 drills per year HOLD & SECURE + SHELTER IN PLACE • 1 review of procedures per year with all
HOLD & SECURE Used if there is a security concern in the neighbourhood ☐ Bring everyone into the school and remain inside ☐ Secure exterior doors and windows ☐ Close exterior window blinds/drapes (if available) ☐ No one may enter or exit the school during Hold & Secure *Typically normal activities continue WITHIN the school.	
EVACUATE Used to move people out of the school when a hazard exists inside ☐ Direct students and other staff to exit the school via the shortest safe route ☐ Report to and assemble outside at the designated assembly site *Principal or designate will determine next steps.	
SHELTER IN PLACE Used if an environmental hazard may impact the school ☐ Bring everyone into the school and remain indoors ☐ Secure exterior doors and windows ☐ Close exterior window blinds/drapes (if available) ☐ Turn off all ventilation systems (if locally available/situation dependent) ☐ Staff designates will monitor access to the school via the main entrance ☐ Access may be denied if a risk exists that jeopardizes the safety of occupants *Typically normal activities continue WITHIN the school.	
ROOM CLEAR Used to move people away from a hazard contained in one room/area ☐ Direct students to leave the room/area and report to designated area (Ex. Library) ☐ Summon assistance as needed and appropriate (Ex. call First Aid Attendant, Principal/Vice Principal, 911) *Staff should remain to manage the situation or exit if the room is unsafe.	
DROP, COVER & HOLD ON Used in the event of an earthquake, explosion, or any event that shakes the school ☐ Quickly move away from obvious hazards ☐ DROP - low to the ground ☐ Cover - take COVER under a sturdy table, desks, furniture, or other large sturdy items ☐ HOLD ON - to the furniture you are under and stay there until the shaking stops After the shaking stops, wait 60 seconds and then EVACUATE via the shortest safe route. Report to and assemble outside at the designated assembly site. *Principal or other designate will determine next steps.	

Emergency Procedures in Schools

Schools follow emergency procedures and practice drills throughout the year to ensure students, staff, and any visitors at our sites are safe when unexpected incidents happen. The District encourages families to become familiar with emergency procedures to help you and your child be prepared. You will find the District's Emergency Procedures poster in schools and on the website [here](#).

Community Volunteers in Emergencies

Emergencies can happen unexpectedly due to weather events (e.g., earthquake or flooding) or unforeseen situations in the community. The health and safety of students, staff, and families is the District's priority. The District, together with schools, follow emergency procedures to respond to incidents as well as prevent them from happening. As stated in the provincial [Emergency Management Planning Guide for Schools, Districts and Authorities](#), staff have a legal "duty of care," meaning that they "must ensure that students are cared for until

such time as they can be safely reunited with their parents.” Depending on the situation, the school may be caring for students for many days.

In these circumstances, schools may rely on members of the community to assist with emergency responses. Administrators may send a request to parents/guardians to help volunteer with first aid, facilities and maintenance, safety and security, and general labour. Adults with special skills in health care, policing, and engineering would be an asset in an emergency. No action is needed from families at this time as the purpose is to keep families informed.

Emergency Marshalling Area

In the event of an emergency evacuation, students will go to the school's marshalling area on campus and, if necessary guided to **Twin Rinks at 5700 Langley Bypass, Langley, BC**. This is our designated marshalling and family reunification area, where families can safely reconnect with their children.

Thank you for helping with the congestion of both car and foot traffic after school. Pickup and drop off on the north side of the building is helpful while students are directed to use the cross walks.

Inclement weather



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 www.sd35.bc.ca. Updates are also posted to X (formerly Twitter) @LangleySchools and Facebook at www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict. 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.

- **Administration**

- Principal: Ms. Smillie
- VP: Mr. Kilvert (A-K)
- VP: Ms. Johnson (L-Z)

- **Counsellors**

- Ms. Blount (A-G) (Sr AVID)
- Ms. Ware (H-O) (Jr AVID)
- Ms. Kauldher (P-Z) and ELL

- **Clinicians**

- Chelsi Collard
- Amanda Hille

- **Aboriginal Support Worker**

- Dave White

- **Youth Care Worker**

- Diaz Kambere
- Maina Manodon

- **School Liaison Officer**

- Cst Millar

- **Athletic Director**

- Mr. Paul / Mr. Sheppard

- **Careers:**

- Rachel Kiers / Ms. Warmerdam / Ms. Seymour

- **Family Support Worker:**

- Mr. Sanchez



