Coffee & Connect: N.B.E. Newsletter, March 14/25

# NOEL BOOTH ELEMENTARY

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Firstly, I am thrilled to share the success of our Upcycled Innovation Fair, which took place last week. Our Grade 4/5 students showcased their incredible creativity and ingenuity by transforming everyday items into innovative projects. The fair was a testament to their hard work and the support of our dedicated teachers and parents. It was truly inspiring to see the students' enthusiasm and the impressive results of their efforts.

Additionally, our Student Inclusive Conferences (SIC) were well attended. These conferences provided a valuable opportunity for students to take an active role in their learning journey, sharing their progress and setting goals for the future. The engagement and insights from both students and parents were remarkable, and we are proud of the collaborative spirit that these conferences fostered.

We also had a wonderful Book Fair, which brought together our community in celebration of reading and literacy. The fair offered a fantastic selection of books, and it was heartwarming to see students excited about discovering new stories and authors. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this event a memorable experience.

As a reminder, our school will be on spring break from March 15th until March 30th. I hope everyone enjoys a restful and rejuvenating break. We look forward to welcoming students back on March 31st, ready to continue our journey of learning and growth.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Have a wonderful spring break!

Regards,

J. Malo



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Mr. J. Malo

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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.

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#### **Staffing Updates**

Our wonderful admin assistant Ms. Inglis has finished her term assignment and will be leaving us. We thank Ms. Inglis for all she's done for the school and wish her all the best in her future endeavours. We would like to welcome back Ms. Litjens as she returns to her admin assistant position effective March 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### BC Training and Education Savings Program Grant

Students in Kindergarten through Grade 3 - your child may be eligible for a \$1,200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant for their post-secondary education or training. Please see the attached flyer at the end of the newsletter.

#### **SIC Progress Reports**

Progress reports for ELL students and IEP reports are now live on myedbc. SIC conferences reports (for those parents who attended) are now also available on myedbc. Reports are found on the myedBC parent portal.

#### PAC

The next PAC meeting will be on April 9<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome. The PAC continues to look for new volunteers to help support initiatives here at the school. Without volunteers not all PAC events may be supported moving forward. If you would like to see how you can help, please reach out to the PAC president (Kara) and enquire how you can help. <u>noelboothpacpres@gmail.com</u>

The next PAC movie night is planned for April 11<sup>th</sup>. Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter.

#### Transportation Registration 2025-2026

Transportation registration for 2025-2026 is open. Please note the instructions to register are different for each category of rider. To help in the planning and creation of bus routes, registrations must be submitted by **April 11<sup>th</sup> for eligible riders or May 30<sup>th</sup> for courtesy riders**. The District cannot guarantee approval after the deadline. New and existing riders can find more information on our Transportation Registration webpage <u>here</u>.

Please note transportation requests are district level and not dealt with at the school. Thank you for your understanding.



# Upcoming Dates:

- March 15- SIC Documents live on myedBC
- March 15-March 30 schools closed for Spring Break
- March 31 Schools Reopen
- April 9 PAC Mtg, 6pm
- April 10 Concours F/T for French Immersion 6/7 class
- April 11 PAC Movie
  Night
- April 18 Easter Fridayno school
- APRIL 21 Easter Monday- no school
- April 23 Ms. Moir's field trip

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#### Surveys

For parents of children in grade 4 and/or 7, the student learning survey (parent version) is still open. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025.

#### Upcycled Innovation/Entrepreneur Fair (Grade 4/5)

The upcycled innovation fair was a tremendous success. Four of our students have been invited to present their items at the IDEA Summit in May. Thank you for all the hard work from the staff and students of grade 4/5 students.

### More Important News

#### **Breakfast Room Construction**

The breakfast room will be under construction over Spring Break. We hope to re-open immediately following Spring Break.

#### **Communication to Families:**

During the week of May 5-9, your child will receive a paper record of the second informal learning update as part of the requirements within the Ministry of Education and Childcare's Reporting Order.

This Elementary Learning Update serves as a record of communication, which can include (but is not limited to) past email communication, meeting, digital student portfolio or written communication, to serve as an update to families on student learning progress since the Term 2 Student Inclusive Conferences. Parents/Caregivers will be able to see the method of communication indicated at the top of the paper Learning Update.

If you have further questions on your child's learning progress, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

#### Lunch Lady Hot Lunch (Thursdays)

The lunch lady for April is now live. Please see the menu at the end of the newsletter. Thank you.



- April 24 Talent Show Auditions 1
- April 25 Talent Show Auditions 2
- April 29 Talent Show Participants Notified
- May 1 Fl French Cinema F/T
- May 5 Tolnay F/T
- May 5, 7-9 Operation Waterproof (gr 5)
- May 6 IDEA fair (District)
- May 5-9 Informal Learning Updates
- May 9 NBE Track Day (pending)
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  - May 16 PD Day

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#### Spring Health Information (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 Spring health. Please see below for helpful reminders to support your child.

#### • Spring Health for Kids

- The spring season is approaching which means warmer weather and more outdoor activities. It's also an opportunity to foster new healthy habits for our children. Here are five practical tips for school-aged kids to make the most of this season.
- Get Active
  - Warmer weather makes spring the perfect time to get outside and play. Take a walk around your neighbourhood or head to a local park or hiking trail.
- Think Fresh
  - Springtime often brings up images of fresh fruits and produce. Now is a great time to teach children about where food comes by helping them to start their own home garden. You don't need a large space to get started. Strawberries, tomatoes and lettuce can all be grown from pots on a sundeck.
- Be Sun Safe
  - Sun burns are possible even in spring. Use a sunscreen that has Sun Protection Factor (SPF) 30 or more. When possible, schedule outdoor activities in the morning or late afternoon and early evening. If you and your children are out in the sun during mid-day hours, wear long sleeves, loose-fitting long pants and a hat with a wide brim.
  - Spring is also a good time to make sure your family has plans in place to be healthy in the coming heat. Investigate if your family is eligible for retrofitting rebates to keep the family cool, as indoor temperatures can be dangerous for everyone.

#### • Support Positive Mental Health

- The best way to support positive mental health in your children is by forming strong and caring relationships with them. Make time for connection each day. Talk to them about their feelings and experiences.
- Practice Road Safety
  - Biking is a great way to exercise and spend quality time with your family. Remember to keep safety top of mind. Protect their heads with a well-fitted helmet and teach them the rules of the road, such as the hand signals for stop, right and left-hand turns.

Find more tips for a healthy spring in Fraser Health's Spring Health Guide: <u>Your spring health guide -</u> <u>Fraser Health Authority</u>

## Parent Corner:

#### **Children and Spring Break Activities**

As we approach spring break, I want to take a moment to wish you and your children a restful and enjoyable time. Spring break is a wonderful opportunity for students to recharge and spend quality time with family and friends. However, it's also important to keep our young learners engaged and active, both mentally and physically, during this break.

Here are some tips and activities to help your children stay engaged and support their mental health and learning:

#### 1. Reading Adventures

Encourage your child to dive into a good book. Whether it's a new novel, a favorite series, or even comic books, reading can transport them to different worlds and spark their imagination. Consider setting aside a daily reading time where the whole family can join in.

#### 2. Outdoor Recreation

Physical activity is crucial for mental well-being. Plan family outings to local parks, nature trails, or even your backyard. Activities like hiking, biking, or simply playing catch can help children stay active and enjoy the fresh air.

#### 3. Educational Games and Puzzles

Board games, puzzles, and educational apps can be both fun and intellectually stimulating. Look for games that challenge their problem-solving skills and encourage critical thinking.

#### 4. Art & Crafts

Engage your child's artistic side with various art and craft projects. From painting and drawing to building models or creating sculptures, these activities can be both relaxing and rewarding.

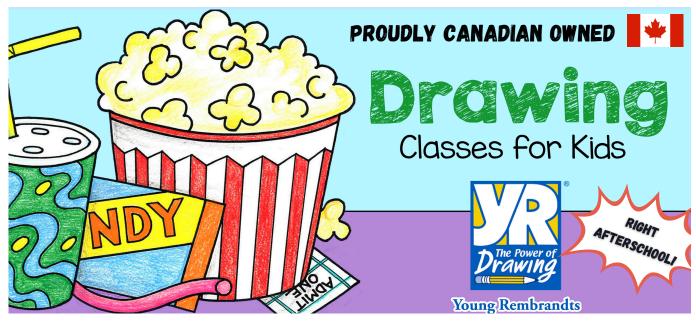
#### 5. Mindfulness and Relaxation

Teach your child simple mindfulness exercises, such as deep breathing or guided meditation. These practices can help them manage stress and improve their focus and emotional regulation.

#### 6. Family Time

Most importantly, use this break to strengthen family bonds. Whether it's through cooking together, playing games, or having meaningful conversations, these moments are invaluable for your child's emotional well-being.

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# ART CLASSES AT: NOEL BOOTH ELEMENTARY

Spring has sprung, and it's time for SPRINGTIME FUN WITH YOUNG REMBRANDTS! Kids captivated by movies will love our movie theater still life. Drawing Aladdin's Lamp will be a wish come true! We'll also ride the waves with a cool Surfer & Wave illustration. Fantasy lovers can spark their imagination with our baby dragons lesson, focusing on color and composition. Finally, we'll create a stunning portrait of Frida Kahlo to inspire creativity. Don't miss out—sign up today and let the creativity bloom!



#### ENJOY LEARN PLAY

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Preschool

Play-Based Learning Our curriculum fosters creativity, critical and social skills through hands-on activities and exploration.

🌟 Certified Teachers

Made with PosterMy

Our trained and caring educators are

passionate about early childhood developmer<sup>E</sup>mail:noelboothchildcare@gmail.com

🌟 Safe & Stimulating Environment

We provide a safe, clean, and engaging space designed specifically for young learners.

🌟 Small Class Sizes Personalized attention ensures every

child feels valued and supported.

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Dear Parents and Guardians/Caregivers,

The Student Learning Survey (SLS) has been administered every year in B.C. public schools since 2001. Prior to 2016-17 it was known as the Student Satisfaction Survey. The SLS provides feedback on the implementation of the curriculum changes, learning environment, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation. The SLS is the only source of province-wide information about students' learning experiences through the perspectives of students, parents, guardians/ caregivers, and school staff. Schools and districts use the SLS to make informed decisions around long-term planning and goal-setting, and in providing individual students personalized support.

The parent and guardian/caregiver survey is now available online and is available in 18 different languages. The survey will be available until Friday, May 2nd, and will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. Your responses are voluntary and anonymous, and your child will not be identified as a result of your participation in the survey. Any personal or identifying information will be deleted before results are stored. Data will be stored and accessible only within Canada.

#### To complete the survey:

- 1. Go to any computer that has an up-to-date internet browser access at home, work, or school.
- 2. Go to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\_survey/access.htm
- 3. Click on the Parents icon for Direct (logon-free) Access
- District: the name of your child's district
- School: the name of your child's school
- Language: the language of your choice
- 4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question and click "NEXT".
- 5. When you are finished the survey, you will get a message "Thank you for sharing your views".
- 6. Once complete, your school will have the results immediately.

Please contact the web survey provider (AWIS) if you have technical difficulties; call toll free: 1-866-558- 5339 or email <u>support@awinfosys.com</u>. If you have questions about the survey, you can email <u>EDUC.ReportingUnit@gov.bc.ca</u>

We greatly appreciate your input and thank-you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely,

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# **U7 LEARN TO PLAY**

### Birth Year: 2018 & 2019 Tuesdays or Thursdays 5:30-7pm (teams will be created once registation closes)

Sessions include:

- T-Shirt
- Warm up, drills & game (2 innings)

## Birth Year: 2019 & 2020 (2019's can choose either session)

Wednesdays 5:30-6:30pm

Sessions include:

- T-Shirt
- Warm up, drills & mini game

COST \$100 BEGINS WEEK OF APRIL 7TH 11 WEEK PROGRAM

SOME PARENT PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED REGISTER AT WWW.LANGLEYFATBALL.CA





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# April 2025 Langley MENU – Thursdays



	Thursday 04/03	Thursday 04/10	Thursday 04/17	Thursday 04/24
Regular	Turkey Hot Dog Side Salad	Chicken Nuggets Rice Corn Fruit of the Day	Beef Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Gravy Peas and Carrots Fruit of the Day	Chicken Burger Veggies and Dip Fruit of the Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	Spaghetti and Beef Meatballs Fruit of the Day	Macaroni and Cheese Power Mixed Vegetables Fruit of the Day	Topsy Turvy Pasta Tomato Sauce Fruit of the Day	Buttery Parmesan Pasta Diced Carrots Fruit of the Day
Vegetarian	Veggie Hot Dog Side Salad	Veggie Chick'n Nuggets Rice Corn Fruit of the Day	Veggie Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Gravy Peas and Carrots Fruit of the Day	Buttery Parmesan Pasta Diced Carrots Fruit of the Day
Halal	Halal Hot Dog Side Salad	Halal Macaroni and Cheese Power Mixed Vegetables Fruit of the Day	Halal Beef Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Gravy Peas and Carrots Fruit of the Day	Halal Chicken Burger Veggies and Dip Fruit of the Day



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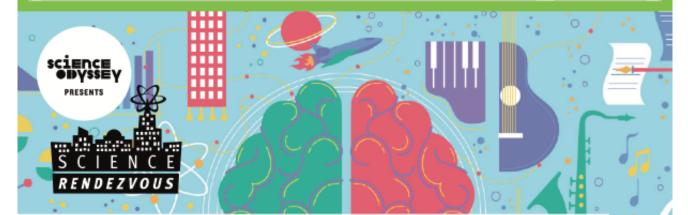
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# Join us on **Saturday, May 3, 2025** At the University of British Columbia

**ELMACON** is Vancouver's **elementary math contest** for grades **5** - **7**, which gives students the opportunity to experience math as an **exciting sport!** Prizes include: electronics, gadgets, games, and more!

For registration and more details visit **https://elmacon.org.** Questions? elmacon@pims.math.ca or (604) 822-3922

Deadline: April 18, 2025 Fee: \$35 Location: UBC Earth Sciences Building, 2207 Main Mall, Vancouver, BC



#### SCIENCE RENDEZVOUS is back!

| Join the fun and get ready to **CREATE!** on **May 10, 2025**. Science Rendezvous is a FREE festival that takes science, technology, engineering, art, and math **(STEAM)** research and innovation out of the lab and into the street.

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Visit the Science Rendezvous UBC website at https://www.sciencerendezvous.ca/event\_sites/ubc/

Location: UBC Beaty Biodiversity Museum + Multiple sites on campus.

# ATTENTION Parents and Guardians: Don't let your child miss out on a \$1,200 grant!

The B.C. Training and Education Savings Grant (BCTESG) is available to eligible children for a **three-year window only**. It can be used for their future post-secondary education and training.



#### Is my child eligible?

- Derived Parent or guardian, plus the child are B.C. residents and have Social Insurance Numbers (SINs)
- □ The child is between their 6th birthday and the day before they turn 9

#### Make a plan today!

Step 1: Contact or visit your financial institution and ask if they offer the grant (most will).

Step 2: All you need is:

- □ Proof of residency: e.g. BC driver's licence, BC Identification Card, BC Services Card, or recent B.C. utilities bill
- □ Your Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- Your child's Social Insurance Number (SIN)\*
  \*Apply for a SIN: https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/sin/apply.html

**Step 3:** During your appointment with your financial institution:

- Open a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP) for your child (skip if already done)
- Complete application for the BCTESG. No need to add any of your own money!

If eligible, \$1,200 will be deposited into your child's RESP. Apply today! Learn More: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/BCTESG or contact: BCTESG@gov.bc.ca.



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