



COGHLAN FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Rocky Raccoon Weekly Update

October 2 - 13, 2023

Monday, October 2:	Statutory Holiday – Truth & Reconciliation Day Students DO NOT Attend.
Tuesday, October 3:	Thanksgiving Food Drive donations will be collected by PAC Members and delivered to the food bank at 9 am.
Wednesday, October 4:	Popcorn & Donuts through Munch A Lunch
Friday, October 6:	School Improvement Day – Students DO NOT Attend
Monday, October 9:	Thanksgiving Statutory Holiday. Students DO Not Attend
Friday, October 13:	Hot Lunch. Pre-order on Munch A Lunch.

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday October 25th from 1:45 to 4:30 pm and Thursday, October 26th from 1:45 to 7:00 pm in 15 minute time slots.

We are using an online system to book appointments. In the middle of October you can enter the booking site: <https://coghlan.parentteacherconferences.net/admin/>

Early Years Programming

We are excited to have Strong Start, Gifts and Gatherings and Come As You Are available for families and children. Please see below for the updated flyer for Early Years Programs. **2023-2024**

SD35 Early Years Programs.pdf

Munch A Lunch is now open for orders!

Hello Parents! Most months hot lunch is offered every other week, with popcorn days in between.

You can pay for your orders online by credit card (Visa/Mastercard) OR send cheque/cash into the school. Cheques are payable to Coghlan PAC

HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Coghlans>
- 2) Click the "**Register Here**" button (as shown below). The system will guide you through.
- 3) After adding your children, click the green "Order Lunch!" button to order.
- 4) Next time, just click the "**Login Here**" button to access your account.

Drop Off and Pick Up

When dropping off and picking up your child(ren) please **Do Not get out of your vehicle** as this results in cars backing up into the parking lot and along 256 Street. We have had complaints that parents are parking in front of the school in the morning and walking their child into the school – instead please find a space in the parking lot so that other parents can drop off their child(ren). Thank you!

Photos For the Yearbook

Any photos that parents take during the school year that are appropriate for the Coghlan Year Book can be sent to coghlanyearbook@gmail.com. Mrs. Faria Chohan is looking for some parent assistance in compiling the photos. If you can assist she would greatly appreciate hearing from you at the same email. Thanks so much!

Application Process for Programs of Choice for 2024-2025 – Kindergarten

Registration for 2024-2025 Choice Programs opens on Monday, October 2nd at 12 noon, and closes Monday, October 16th at 12 noon. This includes siblings of those enrolled here now.

If you wish your child to enter Kindergarten at Coghlan in September 2024 you must follow the application process below! Siblings get priority over outside applicants providing they have a Langley/Aldergrove Address. If you do not make the application within the deadlines your sibling child will not get a space.

Welcome to the Online Application for Programs Of Choice (APOC)!

Please read the information below so that you are familiar with the process.



IMPORTANT: The lottery is only for students who will be turning 5 by the end of the year they enter

Kindergarten. If your child will not be turning 5 years old by December 31st 2024, the application will be removed from the lottery.

Langley Schools are proud to offer several Programs of Choice located in various sites throughout the District. Entry into these programs is by application and must be done online. These programs include:

- *Early French Immersion (Kindergarten – Belmont, James Kennedy)*
- *Late French Immersion (Grade 6 – Alex Hope, Noel Booth)*
- *Montessori (Kindergarten - Uplands)*
- *Fine Arts (Kindergarten – Langley Fine Arts)*
- *Coghlan Fundamental (Kindergarten - Coghlan)*
- *Langley Fundamental (Kindergarten – Langley Fundamental)*
- *Langley Environmental Awareness Program ((L.E.A.P) Kindergarten - Fort Langley)*

- *U-Connect* (Registration for U-Connect is not done online; rather, the process is to contact the school directly, attend an information session, then complete an application package. Please see their webpage: <https://simonds-uconnect.sd35.bc.ca/u-connect/u-connect-application/> for more information.)

The online application for 1st year of entry into most Choice Programs (Kindergarten for most programs) for the **2024/25 School Year** will **open on Monday, October 2nd 2023 at 12pm noon**.

As of **12:00 pm on October 16, 2023**, you will not be able to add or change your application, however you will be able to view your information. This application process applies to the first year entry of all of the above programs (Kindergarten or Grade 6 for Late Immersion). Families are allowed to apply for a **maximum of 2 (two) Programs of Choice**. Families who submit more than one application per child (i.e. more than one account) will have the duplicate application removed.

Once the lottery is completed in early November, families will receive a notification telling them to log in to view their results. Once families receive the notification emails, they will have 48 hours to accept/decline an offered seat. If families do not accept/decline or log in at all in those 48 hours, their seat will be offered to the next student on the wait list. Families that are offered a seat for their 2nd Choice, and accept that seat, will have their name removed from their 1st Choice wait list in accordance with Choice Programs Admin Procedures.

Please note that you are applying for a **lottery draw** for your child, therefore this is not a "first come, first served" system. As such, no documents are required at this point.

If your child has a sibling already in the same program, it is important that you indicate this in your application. You will need to provide the sibling's 9 digit P.E.N. (Personal Education Number). If you are unsure of this number, please contact the sibling's school directly to obtain this information. **Please note: the sibling priority only counts towards those who have siblings in the exact same Choice Program/School.** For example, if you are applying for your child to attend Langley Fundamental Elementary and your older child is currently attending there, the younger sibling gets that priority in the lottery draw. However, if the older sibling is attending a different school than what you are applying for your younger child, there is no priority given. This is detailed in the Choice Programs Admin Procedures.

In order to apply, you will be able to register at 12:00 pm (noon) on Monday, October 2, 2023; in the upper right corner of this screen click the "**REGISTER TO ACCESS**" tab above to make an application. If you have already created an account in the past, you will only need to "**SIGN IN**" by clicking in the upper right corner of the screen. You will **NOT** be able to create an account or complete the application prior to 12:00 pm (noon) on Monday, October 2, 2023.

Once you have registered and confirmed your account, you will need to "**SIGN IN**" and click on the "**ENROLL**" tab at the top of the page to complete your child's application.



If you require assistance or have any further questions about the application process, please contact the School Board Office at **604-534-7891**.

Kids Helping Kids Clothing Drive On Oct 27th Langley Firefighters will be picking up clothing donations from participating Langley schools to help fund the School Snack Program, one of their charitable causes. In partnership with the Langley School District Foundation, the Kids Helping Kids Clothing Drive is helping to support much needed food programs for students in Langley. Our school is participating in the event to help support school food programs AND in hopes that we will win a school-wide BBQ served by firefighters! Please bring your bagged donations to the front of the school on Oct 27th between 7-10am. Sorry, no household items, **only soft clothing, linens and shoes.**

Fall Picture Day is Coming!

School Name: Coghlan Fundamental Elementary



Picture Day Date: Tuesday, October 17



TOWNSHIP
OF LANGLEY
FIREFIGHTERS'
CHARITIES

Kids Helping Kids Clothing Drive


Funds raised will support the Firefighters School Snack Program benefiting Langley students. The School Snack Program is available to any school in Langley.



How it works:

- #1 - Bring clean, gently used clothing to your school on **Oct 27th between 7am-10am**
- #2 - Firefighters will pick up your school's clothing donation and have it weighed
- #3 - The school that collects the most on a pounds-per-student basis will be treated to a BBQ lunch served by firefighters

Help our School win a free BBQ lunch for students, served by Langley firefighters!





COGHLAN FUNDRAISER

VANCOUVER GIANTS VS. CALGARY HITMEN

**SIGNED QUINN HUGHES HOCKEY
STICK FOR THE FAMILY THAT
SELLS THE MOST TICKETS!**

**WED, JAN 3RD @ 7PM
LANGLEY EVENT CENTER**

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

**ORDER NOW ON
MUNCHALUNCH
\$20**

**PROCEEDS FROM
50/50 SOLD AT THE
GAME COME BACK
TO THE SCHOOL!**

**WE MUST SELL 300 TICKETS TO
THE GAME IN ORDER TO
QUALIFY FOR THE 50/50**

**INVITE FRIENDS, FAMILY,
CO-WORKERS - ANYONE!**

**GREAT STOCKING STUFFERS
AND/OR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS**

QUESTIONS? EMAIL COGHLANFUNDRAISING@GMAIL.COM

Coghlan Christmas Craft Fair ~~~ NOVEMBER 18, 2023 10AM - 3PM

Hope everyone's summer was wonderful and everything you needed it to be. The school year is upon us and we would like to take this time to share with you that Coghlan will be hosting another Christmas Craft Fair!

We are very excited, as this event brings our school together and opens our doors for the community. This event is a big fundraiser for our school and we look forward to it every year. Plans have started and tables are now filled except tables for Coghlan students. There will be food trucks, photography, bake table, vendors, and more. We would like to take this time to offer the last few tables to our families at Coghlan. Just a friendly reminder that this is a handcrafted-only event. This year we will be offering free kids' tables again! These will be half tables for full days (possibly full tables depending on the demand). We would like to take this time to remind parents that these tables are for current Coghlan students only. Tables are limited and can be reserved by contacting Jennifer Bradley at coghlanfundraising@gmail.com. Please feel free to contact Jennifer for any questions or concerns about the tables and vendors.

Keep Saturday, November 18th open for your opportunity to not only check out the event but to help and volunteer for positions. This is a big event and it takes lots of hands not only the day of but many weeks before.

Please contact Kirsten Pryor at coghlanfundraising@gmail.com for all other areas of the craft fair. We are currently looking for 1-2 people to help now with Advertising. This is for making large signs to hang in major intersections soon as well as signs for the day of. Please contact: coghlanfundraising@gmail.com if you are interested in helping out.

Follow this link to share our event and keep up on what's going on
<https://www.facebook.com/events/3488009534793706>

Jennifer Bradley
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HEARING LOSS

may go undetected until the school years

Teachers are important partners in helping to detect hearing loss



Children may have unknown hearing loss when they start school. Children with hearing loss are often very adaptable and have learned strategies to help compensate. Hearing loss can be hard to detect and does not have to be severe in order to impact a student's learning. A slight hearing loss or hearing loss in just one ear can impact a child's learning and development.

Some signs of hearing loss to look out for:

1 APPEARS DISTRACTED OR WITHDRAWN Lack of attention	2 DOES NOT RESPOND WHEN YOU CALL UPON THEM Might come across as behaviour difficulties	3 DOES NOT PRONOUNCE WORDS CORRECTLY Children typically speak what they hear	4 SPEAKS LOUDLY EVEN IN QUIET ENVIRONMENT Proper access to hearing their own voice for self monitoring is affected
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Children born in Canada receive a hearing screening at birth through the infant screening program.

This screening catches hearing loss present at birth, but there are different forms of hearing loss that develop later in childhood (delayed onset hearing loss and progressive hearing loss).

If parents have any concerns

- contact Fraser Health
- ask for the Hearing Department
- schedule a free hearing screening

Langley 604-539-2904

If you have any concerns, reach out to your resource teacher or your TDHH

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Some signs of hearing loss to look out for:

Appears distracted or withdrawn

(Lack of attention)

Does not pronounce words correctly

(Children typically speak what they hear)

Does not respond when you call upon them

(Might come across as behaviour difficulties)

Speaks loudly even in quiet environment

(Proper access to hearing their own voice for self monitoring is affected)

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