THIS WEEK @ DOROTHY PEACOCK

October Dates	
9	Turkey Trot
12	Thanksgiving (Students not in attendance)
15	Great BC Shake Out
16	Resilient Rhythms Drumming Presentation
20	PAC Halloween Dance
23	Provincial Pro-D Day (Students not in attendance)
27	Cross Country Championship
28	PAC Meeting 3 pm
29	Informal Learning Updates
30	Halloween Festivities

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DPE's Backstage Buzz

October 23, 2026

Our classrooms may be quiet this Friday, but our teachers' brains are anything but! Today, staff engaged in professional learning, thoughtful reflection, and collaborative conversations focused on strengthening student learning. Judging by the enthusiasm in the school, there are plenty of new ideas waiting to make their debut on Monday morning!

Until then, we hope everyone enjoys a relaxing weekend filled with family, friends, and a little time to recharge. Have a wonderful weekend, and we'll see you next week!

Cross Country Championships – We are excited to cheer on a large group of finalists on Tuesday. Congratulations to those who participated and to the 16 finalists who will compete on Tuesday.

Informal Learning Updates – Will be sent home with your child on Thursday. These updates provide a snapshot of how your child is adjusting to the routines and expectations of their new classroom.

Halloween Fun on Friday - Students will have the opportunity to dress up in their costumes and parade around the gym on Friday. A reminder that costumes must still allow for easy movement in the classroom. Masks are ok during the parade only. Please do not send any light sabers or replica weapons. Inflatable costumes are allowed.

News from the PAC:

Another successful Halloween Dance – What an amazing night at the Halloween Dance! It was so much fun seeing the kids dancing, laughing, and enjoying the festivities! DJ Rock'N'Beau was once again a huge hit with the kids.

A HUGE thank you to our planning committee, Melissa Withers, Sam Robins, Emily Bond, and Kelly Claassen, for all the time and effort you put into making this night so special.

Thank you to all the parents and volunteers who helped bring it together, from setting up and lending a hand throughout the evening to cleaning up afterward. Events like this wouldn't be possible without our wonderful volunteers, and we're so grateful for your support!

Join us for our Next PAC meeting – 3 pm on Wednesday, October 28 in the library. Come hear what's happening at DPE, share your ideas, and connect with other parents! Whether you've attended before or this would be your first meeting, everyone is welcome—we'd love to see you there.

Babysitting will be available, so you can join the meeting while your kids are looked after. Your input helps shape our school community. We hope you can make it!

DPE kid's Clothing Swap – Friday, November 6 2:30 – 5 pm in the gym. Kids grow quickly! Our clothing swap is a great way to pass along items your children have outgrown and find something new-to-you, while keeping perfectly good clothing in use within our school community.

Here's how it works:

- Sort through your children's wardrobes: Gather clothing and accessories they no longer wear. Please ensure everything is clean and in good or excellent condition - items you'd be happy to receive yourself!
- Drop off your items: Bring them to the school foyer November 2–6 so they can be organized for the swap.

*Please only donate items with no stains, holes, or significant wear.

*Children's clothing and accessories (shoes, boots, gloves, etc.) only. We won't be accepting toys or games.

- Come browse on November 6 from 2:30–5:00 PM: Find clothing and accessories that will work for your family and give pre-loved items a new home!

*You don't need to donate in order to take items home! All DPE families are welcome to browse and pick up items, whether or not they've contributed clothing.

Link to order lunches: https://munchalunch.com/login

Stay up to date with the DPE PAC at www.dpepac.com

Grade 7 Committee:

Grade 7 Bottle Drive Fundraiser. You can support the grade 7 farewell event by donating your cans and bottles. Simply drop off your recyclables at the nearest ***Return It*** location and use the following information. Jensantos623@gmail.com 604-928-8049

News From the District:

Road, Pedestrian, and School Bus Safety – With fewer daylight hours and as we enter the season of wind, rain, and ice, we are sharing an important reminder from our community partner ICBC to students, staff, and families to help keep our community safe. Drivers should be alert, focus on the road, watch for pedestrians, especially at intersections and transit stops, and always be ready to stop. Pedestrians and travelers on bikes or scooters should be careful at intersections, always use designated crosswalks, remove headphones and devices, and be aware of your surroundings.

An important note for drivers, when a school bus has its red lights flashing, drivers travelling in either direction must stop. Students may be crossing the road to get to or from the bus. Please stop, stay alert, and do not proceed until it is safe.

For more tips read this resource Kids Pedestrian Safety or visit ICBC's webpage here.

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 CKNW 730AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7FM, CBC 690AM or CBC 88.1FM for updates.

In the event of inclement weather, the District may implement a delayed start or early dismissal at school sites. This information will be communicated to families via one or more of these methods: SchoolMessenger, email and/or text and on the District website. For District bus riders, schedules may change depending on the school status. Bus riders will be notified of changes via one or more of these methods: My Ride K-12 App, email, phone, and/or District website.

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.