

Raptor Report




Families of Betty Gilbert,

What a wonderful couple of weeks we've had! Thank you to our amazing PAC for organizing Cookies and Milk Day, the smiles around the school were priceless, and we're grateful for the warmth and joy you continue to bring to our community. We're already looking forward to the always-legendary Pancake Breakfast, and we appreciate all the time and energy that goes into making these events happen. We've got an exciting stretch of December activities ahead. Thank you again to PAC and to our entire school community for helping make the lead-up to winter break fun, festive, and memorable for our students. Let's finish the year strong and enjoy this spirited final week together!

Aaron Powell

Principal

Betty Gilbert Middle School



Future Dates

December 15, 2025: Band Christmas Concert
 December 15–19, 2025: Spirit Week
 December 17, 2025: Pancake Breakfast
 December 18, 2025: Grade 6 WEB Activity
 December 19, 2025: Christmas Assembly
 December 20, 2025 – January 4, 2026: Winter Break
 — School Closed

January 5, 2026: School reopens after Winter Break
 January 16, 2026: Dance
 January 20, 2026: Popcorn Day (PAC)
 January 22, 2026: PAC Meeting, 6:30 PM
 January 29, 2026: Rotation #4 Begins



Pancake Breakfast



Our annual pancake breakfast has returned!!! On December 17th, we will be serving up a lovely pancake breakfast to our school community. We are asking for help with donations of food supplies, or monetary donations for us to purchase food supplies. Every little bit helps! We are also in need of a lot of volunteers. Please see below to see where you can help.

We cannot run this event without donations and volunteers!!

Link for donations and volunteer sign up:

[Donations and Volunteer](#)

All donation items must be delivered to the school on/by December 16th at 3:00pm If you have questions or need to make different arrangements, please reach out to PAC at bgms.pac@gmail.com.

If you would like to contribute with money towards this event, please send e-transfer to the following information so your donation can be allocated accordingly!

Email: fundraisingbgmspac@gmail.com

Password: Raptors

Comment: Pancake Breakfast

E-transfers are preferred, but if you need to make a donation by cash it can be submitted to the school office in a sealed envelope labeled "Pancake Breakfast Donation"

Thank you for your support and generosity so this event can happen once again!

From, your PAC Executive Team



HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK

Mon Dec 15



**Red and
Green
Day**

Tues Dec 16

**Holiday
Socks**



Wed Dec 17

PJ DAY



Thur Dec 18

**Holiday
Sweater**



Fri Dec 19

**Holiday
Headwear**



December Spirit Week at BGMS!

We're excited to celebrate the season with a week of festive spirit days leading up to winter break. Students and staff are encouraged to join in the fun and show off their holiday style each day:

- Monday, December 15: Red and Green Day
- Tuesday, December 16: Holiday Socks
- Wednesday, December 17: PJ Day
- Thursday, December 18: Holiday Sweater
- Friday, December 19: Holiday Headwear

We'd love to see our Raptors get creative — from classic colours and cozy pajamas to the goofiest holiday hats and wildest socks you can find. Let's fill the halls with laughter, warmth, and school spirit as we wrap up an amazing first term together!



School Dance



GET UP & GLOW

School Dance

JANUARY 16TH

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Doors Open @ 5:45pm

For All Grades 6-8 BGMS Students

Tickets \$10.00

On Sale In Person @ Lunch

January 12th - January 16th

Or School Cash Online



ALL SCHOOL RULES & DRESS CODES APPLY

Cell Phones Will Be
Collected @ the Door



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.



Lost and Found



Our Lost & Found (located beside the Raptor's Den) is overflowing with jackets, hoodies, water bottles, and a whole lot of mystery mittens. Parents, please encourage your child to swing by and take a look, there's a good chance something in there belongs to them.

All items need to be picked up by December 19. Anything left after that date will be donated. Thanks for helping us reunite these orphaned clothes with their rightful homes!



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fraserhealth

Better health. Best in health care.

December Health Messaging – Fraser Health

We're continuing to support student health and safety. Please review these quick reminders from Fraser Health.

Get Ready for Winter

Winter weather can bring storms, cold snaps, and power outages. Make a plan to stay warm and safe at home.

- Get ready for winter: Snow and cold safety – Fraser Health Authority
- Indoor air quality – Fraser Health Authority

Dress for the Cold

Layer up with hats, gloves, scarves and waterproof boots. Kids can be more prone to hypothermia and frostbite, so remind them to bundle up before heading out.

Prevent Winter Illness

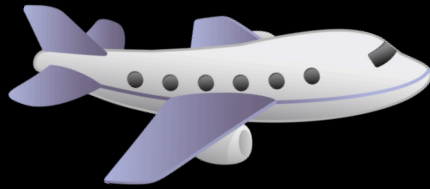
Flu season is here. Consider annual flu vaccines, teach hand-washing and good cough etiquette, and keep kids home when sick. Masks can help reduce spread when staying home isn't possible. Learn more about masks [here](#).

Keep Moving

Stay active with skating, sledding, family walks, indoor play, dancing, yoga or drop-in community programs. If you're playing on frozen lakes or ponds, make sure the ice is safe – check the Lifesaving Society website.

Find more winter health tips on Fraser Health's Winter Health page.





THE **Lucky**
LANGLEY
50/50

All Proceeds to Benefit
the Langley School
District Foundation

Raffle Prize!

2 Tickets anywhere
Air Canada Flies in
North America



50/50!

Win Half the Jackpot



Prize Raffle tickets are:
Single Ticket for \$10;
3-Ticket Pack for \$25;
8-Ticket Pack for \$50;
20-Ticket Pack for \$100

CURRENT 50/50 JACKPOT

\$5,840

WINNER TAKES HALF

50/50 tickets are:
3-Ticket Pack for \$20;
10-Ticket Pack for \$50;
25-Ticket Pack for \$100;
150-Ticket Pack for \$500


Just a few clicks on your phone and you'll be entered to win thousands of dollars in The Lucky Langley 50/50 & Raffle Fundraiser! Purchase your tickets today and build brighter futures for the students of Langley! And enter for your chance to win the cash jackpot or 2 Air Canada tickets to anywhere they fly in North America, just in time for Christmas!

BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY BY CLICKING [HERE!](#)



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Family Smart



**‘intheknow’
Online Events**

Connect & Learn

Online Events for Parents & Caregivers

Every month, we host events **for parents and caregivers** of a child or youth with a mental health and/or substance use challenge.

Join us to watch a video and share experiences and strategies that help in the hard moments, focusing on strengthening our understanding and connection with our kids.




Understanding, Supporting and Connecting with Teens with Depression

When our teens are struggling with depression, we can feel lost about how to best support them. How do we know when they are experiencing a mental health challenge and when should we intervene? Learn from Karen Peters, Registered Clinical Counsellor, and Victoria Keddis, a parent with lived experience, as they talk about how depression shows up in teens and ways of journeying with them through it.

Join us and other families for this video presentation and discussion that’s facilitated by a FamilySmart Parent Peer Support Worker.

- **COST:** Free
- **DATES:**
Times are in Pacific Time (most of B.C.)
 - Tuesday, December 2, 6:30pm
 - Thursday, December 4, 6:30pm
 - Tuesday, December 9, 6:30pm
 - Wednesday, December 10, 12pm
 - Thursday, December 11, 6:30pm

Register online at familysmart.ca/events

Family Smart will be offering several online event sessions from our ‘InTheKnow’ series this December. If you would like to share this free resource with parents or caregivers, they can register at the link below:

[Registration Link](https://familysmart.ca/events)

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HOT LUNCH DATES

Lunch Date	Order by Date	Lunch Theme
Wed, Oct 01, 2025	Thu, Sep 25, 2025 11:59PM	Panago Pizza Hot Lunch
Tue, Oct 21, 2025	Fri, Oct 17, 2025 11:59PM	Popcorn Day
Wed, Nov 05, 2025	Mon, Oct 27, 2025 11:59PM	McDonalds Hot Lunch Day
Tue, Nov 18, 2025	Fri, Nov 14, 2025 11:59 PM	Popcorn Day
Wed, Dec 03, 2025	Mon, Nov 24, 2025 11:59 PM	KFC Hot Lunch Day
Tue, Dec 16, 2025	Fri, Dec 12, 2025 11:59 PM	Popcorn Day
Tue, Jan 20, 2026	Fri, Jan 16, 2026 11:59 PM	Popcorn Day



NEW FAMILIES CLICK HERE

RETURNING FAMILIES CLICK HERE



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SCHOOL CLUBS



Chess Club – Mondays at lunch

Pokémon Club – Tuesdays at lunch

Reading Raptors – Thursdays at lunch

Homework Club -

Homework Club ELL -

Kickboxing Club - Meeting Thursday after school

Homework Club - Wednesday after school



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Bell Schedule 2025-2026

Please [Click Here](#) for the 2025-26 bell schedule.

School Calendar 2025-2026

Please [Click Here](#) for the Middle school calendar for 2025-26.



TIME	SUNDAY	MONDAY
8:00 AM		
9:00 AM		
10:00 AM		
11:00 AM		

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2025/2026 School Calendar

School District #35 (Langley)

2025-2026 School Calendar

Middle Schools

MONTH	DATE	
September	Sep 1 (M)	Labour Day (School Closed)
	Sep 2 (T)	School Opens
	Sep 29 (M)	School Improvement Day (Students not in attendance)
	Sep 30 (T)	Truth and Reconciliation Day (School Closed)
October	Oct 13 (M)	Thanksgiving (School Closed)
	Oct 22 (W)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
	Oct 23 (Th)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
	Oct 24 (F)	Professional Development Day (Provincial - Students not in attendance)
November	Nov 10 (M)	Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students not in attendance)
	Nov 11 (T)	Remembrance Day (School Closed)
	Nov 28 (F)	Learning Updates Issued
December	Dec 19 (F)	Last Day Prior to Winter Break
January	Jan 5 (M)	School Re-Opens After Winter Break
February	Feb 9 (M)	Professional Development Day (District - Students not in attendance)
	Feb 13 (F)	Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students not in attendance)
	Feb 16 (M)	Family Day (School Closed)
March	Mar 13 (F)	Learning Updates Issued
	Mar 13 (F)	Last Day Prior to Spring Break
	Mar 30 (M)	School Re-Opens After Spring Break
April	Apr 3 (F)	Good Friday (School Closed)
	Apr 6 (M)	Easter Monday (School Closed)
	Apr 29 (W)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
	Apr 30 (Th)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
May	May 15 (F)	Professional Development Day (District - Students not in attendance)
	May 18 (M)	Victoria Day (School Closed)
June	Jun 23 (T)	Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation
	Jun 26 (F)	Administrative Day (Students not in attendance) Final Learning Update
July / August		Summer Session