

# NOEL BOOTH ELEMENTARY

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Hello Noel Booth Families!

As we embark on a new school year, I am filled with excitement and optimism for the wonderful opportunities that lie ahead for our students, staff, and families.

First and foremost, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our incredible community. Your unwavering support and positive energy have been truly inspiring. Whether it was through volunteering, participating in school events, or simply offering words of encouragement, your contributions have made a significant impact on our school. It is this sense of community that makes Noel Booth Elementary such a special place.

As we continue to navigate the challenges of staffing shortages, I am deeply grateful for the patience and understanding shown by everyone. Our dedicated staff has been working tirelessly to ensure that our students receive the best possible education and support. We are committed to maintaining a positive and nurturing learning environment, and your support plays a crucial role in this effort.

This year, we have several exciting opportunities planned to enhance our students' learning experiences. We are dedicated to providing a well-rounded education that fosters both academic and personal growth.

Thank you once again for your continued support and enthusiasm. I look forward to seeing all of you and working together to make this a fantastic year at Noel Booth Elementary.

Warm regards,

J. Malo

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## Office Staff:

Principal-

Mr. J. Malo

Vice Principal-

Mrs. S. Banjac

Admin Assistant-

Ms. C. Inglis

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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.

## Staffing Updates

We continue to fill staffing vacancies and are getting closer to being fully staffed. I am pleased to welcome Mr. Klyne (teacher-librarian), Ms. Naber (grade 4-5), Ms. Singh (speech and language pathologist) and Ms. Delos Reyes (SEA).

We continue to work with HR to fill vacancies and I am hopeful to announce additional staffing within the coming week. Again, thank you for your patience, understanding and trust as we work through staffing shortages.

## School Updates

Noel Booth is a very busy building this year as we are currently running well above projections. Currently we have 325 students and a waitlist to get in the building. As development continues in the Brookwood area we expect our number will continue to increase.

## More Important News

### Learn2Ride Grade 4/5 Cycle Programme

The learn to ride programme comes to our grade 4 and 5 classes next week. Students will be given cycle information on Tuesday and will bring their bike to school on Friday so a 60-minute cycling session with the learn2ride instructors. Permission forms were sent home today to grade 4/5 students. Please sign and return the form at the beginning of next week.

### Terry Fox Run

The Terry Fox run will be held on Friday September 20<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. Families are encouraged to donate to support the cause. Donations can be made in person at the run or online. For online donations please access the link.

<https://schools.terryfox.ca/73514>

### Terry Fox Run: Parent Helpers

We are looking for at least five parents to help with the Terry Fox run. If you would like to assist, please email Mrs. Wass [kwass@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:kwass@sd35.bc.ca)



## Upcoming Dates:

- ☐ Sept 16 Full Day K Begins
- ☐ Sept 17 gr 4/5 bike program
- ☐ Sept 18 School Photos
- ☐ Sept 18 PAC Mtg 6pm
- ☐ Sept 20 grade 4/5 bike program
- ☐ Sept 26 Meet the Teacher -PAC ice cream social
- ☐ Sept 27 Orange Shirt Day
- ☐ Sept 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no school)
- ☐ Oct 4 School Improvement Day (PD)

## Feeding Futures Breakfast Programme

The Feeding Futures breakfast programme is now up and running. Breakfast is available for any student who needs it. Food is available at 8:30am. For students who also require lunch we have cold lunch options. If you are facing financial hardships and your child needs lunch, please reach out to Ms. Inglis.

## Fruit and Veggie Programme

The fruit and veggie programme returns to Noel Booth for students in grades 4-7.

## PAC Hot Lunch

PAC is currently looking for a coordinator(s) for HOT LUNCH. Anyone interested, please reach out to the PAC president. Hot lunch is offered once per month at the school.

## Lunch Lady Hot Lunch Program

The lunch lady returns this year and will have hot lunch offerings weekly. Information will be sent out to parents once the program is up and running. Any parents with financial hardship who would like to access the fully subsidy, please contact Ms. Inglis.

## Meet The Teacher Night

Meet the Teacher will be held on Thursday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 6pm. More details will be sent out shortly. Please be advised this is not a parent-teacher interview but rather an opportunity for you to see your child's classroom, tour the school and meet the teacher.

## Photo Day

Student photos will be on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions about your child's photos, please email the company at [hello@madethegrade.ca](mailto:hello@madethegrade.ca) OR call them at 778-960-8394. Children will be sent home with a gallery access card. However, parents are encouraged to scan the QR code and register for quick access to your child's gallery.

## Fraser Health

*The District's community partner Fraser Health is sharing important information with families regarding Vaccination Status Reporting*



- ☐ Oct 5 (Saturday) World Teachers Day
- ☐ Oct 14 Thanksgiving (no school)
- ☐ Oct 17 Photo Retakes
- ☐ Oct 21-24 Informal Learning Updates sent home/call home
- ☐ OCT 24 PAC Pumpkin Patch
- ☐ Oct 24 PAC "TRUNK OR TREAT" (PM)
- ☐ Oct 25 Provincial PD Day (no school)
- ☐ Oct 31 Pumpkin Carving
- ☐ Oct 31 Halloween
- ☐ Nov 8 National Aboriginal Veterans Day
- ☐ Nov 8 Design & Assessment Day (no school)

and Regulation (VSRR). Families are encouraged to review the following newsletter to help keep our community health and safe:

**[Keep Immunizations Up to Date - Elementary](#)**

For other languages read [here](#).

**Child Day Event at Church in the Valley – October 4, 2024**

A free one-day expo that aims to connect families of pre-K learners with important resources is planned for next month. Child Day will be held on Friday October 4 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Church in the Valley, and will feature community agencies, a marketplace, door prizes and more. See attached poster for details and ticket information or learn more here:

<https://buytickets.at/inclusionlanglesociety/1302946>

**Stalew' Pow Wow: September 14-16**

stalew' Arts & Cultural Society is hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual stalew' Pow Wow September 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>. The Aboriginal Program will once again be providing tickets and food vouchers for Indigenous families in need. For more information about the event, including a schedule and how to purchase tickets, check out the website here: <https://www.stalewpowwow.ca/>. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**PAC**

The first PAC meeting of the year is on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Please check the school website for additional details on PAC. Minutes will be posted online this year. PAC meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month.

**Back to School Health Guide – Fraser Health**

As summer winds down, it's time to gear up for a healthy back-to-school season. Set the stage for a smooth transition back to school. Here are some practical tips to get you started.

☐ **Prioritize Sleep**

Ensuring your child gets enough sleep is an important part of a healthy back-to-school routine. Quality sleep helps with concentration, mood and overall well-being. Aim for nine to 11 hours of quality sleep per night.

### **☐ Eat Well**

Support your child's learning and development with scheduled meals and snacks. Breakfast kick starts their morning, while snacks and lunches nourish them throughout the day. Pack a water bottle to help them stay hydrated.

### **☐ Boost Immunity**

As with any public environment, school exposes children to various germs. Ensuring they are up-to-date on their vaccinations helps protect them and others. Specific immunizations are recommended for children prior to entering kindergarten as well as in grades six and nine. Help your child avoid the spread of illness by encouraging them to wash their hands regularly, teaching them to cover their coughs and sneezes and keeping them home when sick.

### **☐ Keep Active**

Adding physical activity to your child's routine sets them up for success. Activities like walking or biking to school, playing sports, dancing, swimming or helping around the house are great ways for your child to stay active. Set limits on screen time and promote outdoor play as much as possible for overall well-being.

### **☐ Make Time for Talking and Connection**

Going back to school can be a cause of anxiety or stress for children. Make it a point to encourage open communication and support your child to talk about their feelings and help them feel heard and understood. Integrate downtime into their routine where they can relax or focus on a special interest or hobby.

Find more school health tips and resources on Fraser Health's website:

[School Health - Fraser Health Authority](#)



FREE EVENT

# LANGLEY CHILD DAY



## COMMUNITY INFORMATION FAIR FOR THE EARLY YEARS

Caregivers can explore and gather valuable resources and information about child care, early learning programs, child development and more. This event is **FREE** for families and caregivers with children from birth to kindergarten age and expectant parents.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024**  
**CHURCH IN THE VALLEY**  
**23589 OLD YALE RD, LANGLEY**  
**10:00AM – 1:00PM**



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or find us on  
TICKET TAILOR

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- ✓ Door prizes
- ✓ Market place
- ✓ Children's entertainment
- ✓ Play activities
- ✓ Giveaways

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