



# The Titans' Tribune

Home and School Working Together

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Issue #8

## Upcoming Dates

Hello LFMSS Families:

Within this Tribune, we celebrate the many events that occurred during the month of December. Thank you to our dedicated Staff who support our students and thank you for the ongoing support from our parent community.

The winter break is a wonderful opportunity to pause, recharge, and spend time with loved ones. I encourage everyone to take this time to rest, reflect, and return refreshed for the exciting opportunities that await us in the new year.

I wish you and your family a holiday season filled with peace, joy, and laughter. I look forward to our return in January, ready for the second half of our school year.

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Carla Clapton  
Principal

Dec. 20 to Jan. 4	Winter Break
Jan. 4	Welcome Back
Jan. 9	Alpine Ski Program
Jan. 14	Gr. 6 & 9 Immunizations
Jan. 14	Gr. 6/7 Hot Lunch
Jan. 23	Alphine Ski Program
Jan. 29	Semester 2 Beings
Jan. 30	Alphine Ski Program

Please visit [www.lfmss.sd35.bc.ca](http://www.lfmss.sd35.bc.ca) for the most up to ate calendar of events.

### COMMUNICATING with your school

GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING AN ISSUE OR CONCERN

- 1 Start with the employee whose action has given rise to the issue or concern
- 2 Contact your principal, vice-principal, or counsellor
- 3 Speak with a District Principal or Assistant Superintendent
- 4 When applicable, make an appeal to the Board of Education



## What's Happening Around the School



The Titan's Music Grade 8-12 ensembles put on a fun and festive production of holiday themed music last night. The students performed a variety of music ranging from classic to modern. Including, but not limited to, fresh renditions of beloved carols, the shortest version of The Nutcracker heard, and highlights from holiday movies. Titans Music wishes everyone a restful and fulfilling holiday season.



Ava has been accepted to the **Forum for Young Canadians National Summit** in Ottawa this March. She will join 100 youth from across Canada for a week of immersive learning about Canadian democracy, including simulations, lectures, panels, group activities, and tours of key institutions such as the House of Commons, Senate, and Supreme Court.

Ava earned this honor as one of only **300 successful applicants nationwide**. Her leadership was evident last year when, as a Grade 10 student, she organized a school-wide student vote during the federal election for 850 students. She coordinated meetings with political candidates, ensured an inclusive and unbiased voting environment, and managed the entire event with professionalism.

LFMSS is incredibly proud of Ava and excited to see her represent our school!



The generosity of our Fundy community shone through again this year with our annual giving trees charity drive. Clients of the Langley Youth Hub will benefit greatly by your generous donations! Thank you to our Student Council Executive for organizing this.







The grade 7 mass ensemble of 116 students put on a short but well performed program of festive music today. Sharing the combination of roughly 5 weeks of dedicated work, the students performed favorites such as Jingle Bells, Up on the Housetop, Jolly Old Saint Nick and, finishing in style, their first full length piece of music, called "Christmas Mash-up".

Thank you to the student volunteers who helped set up the event, the staff and parents for attending, the music department for their work, and the grade 7 band student students for putting on a great performance.

**Chemistry 11 students investigated some oven-baked chemical reactions this week.**



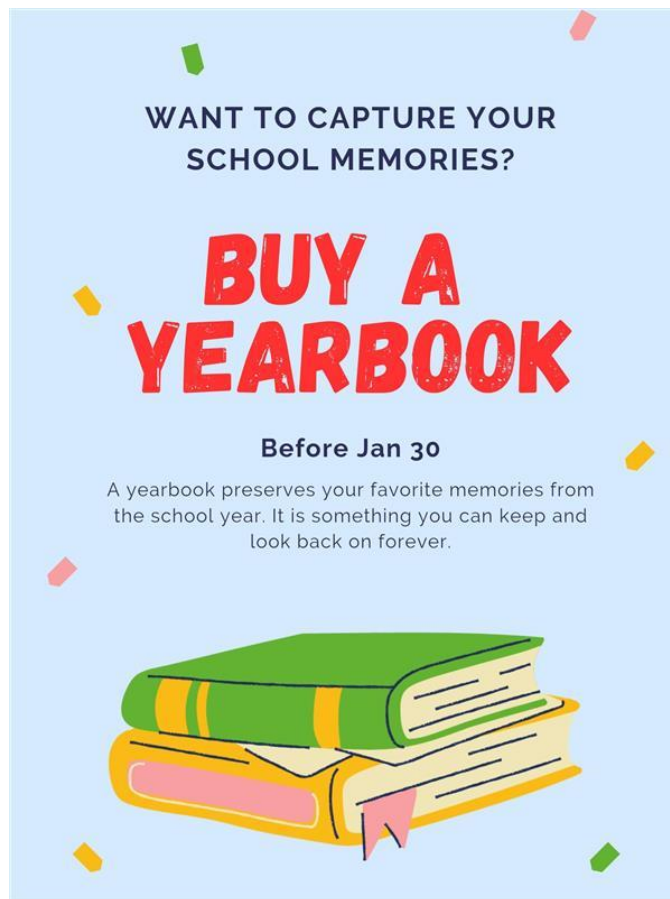


## Candy Cane Fun in Grade 6



On December 9th, students from Grades 8 to 12 gathered in the library for a Winter-Themed Kahoot Competition. During the competition, Christmas carols played as students answered 40 fun quiz questions about the holiday season. This event was the second event leadership planned this year. Although the team is still gaining experience, the leaders worked well together. Teachers also helped the event to ensure everything ran smoothly. The competition was exciting and full of friendly energy throughout the lunch period. The first place got a \$15 canteen card, while second place won \$10 and third place won \$5. The event was fun, educational, and a great success for everyone involved!





## Volunteers Needed – LFMSS Career Fair

**On Tuesday, January 27th, 2026 we are having a half-day career fair for our grade eight and nine students.** This fits in as part of the increased focus on career education in the curriculum and is a part of their assessment for Career Education 8 and 9. We hope to be able to provide at least five different interest-based career exposure opportunities for each student over the course of the half-day. **The career fair will run from 8:45am to 11:50am. Additional scheduling details will be sent out to volunteers as we approach the date.**

### **This is what we need: You!**

**We need approximately 15 parents or guardians who would be willing to volunteer their time, for part of the day, to talk about their career.** I know from previous years that we have many fascinating careers represented across our parent population, and so it would be wonderful to share your experiences with our students. **For our career fair, it would be ideal if we had about 15 different careers being represented in order to appeal to the various interest areas of our students.**

**If this is something that you would consider, or would like more information about, please email me at [klay@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:klay@sd35.bc.ca) and let me know the career you would be willing to tell our students about, as well as your availability on that date. I will be emailing additional details about scheduling and format once we have our speakers accounted for.**

This is such an important and impactful opportunity for our students, and so I thank you for your consideration of it. I look forward to hearing back from many of you.

PS: If you have older children who are LFMSS alumni, or if you know of someone with an interesting career who would be willing to talk about what they do, please pass this message to them as well.



## 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](http://www.sd35.bc.ca). Updates are also posted to X (formerly Twitter) @LangleySchools and Facebook at [www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict](https://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.

## December Health Messaging – Fraser Health

As part of its health promotion for students and families, our community partner Fraser Health is sharing important information on various topics. The theme for December is Winter Health. Please share the following information below in your next newsletter or communication to families. This information will be shared on the District's social media channels.

### Winter Health (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 Winter Health. Please see below for helpful reminders to support your child.

### Keep Your Child Healthy During Winter

As the chilly winter season approaches, there are things you can do to help keep your children healthy and well.

### Get Ready For Winter At Home And In The Community

Winter can bring extreme weather and it's important to have plans to be safe during cold weather, storms and power outages, including staying warm, having a carbon monoxide detector and planning for emergencies. Learn about programs that can support your family:

- **Get ready for winter: Snow and cold safety for you and your home - Fraser Health Authority**
- **Indoor air quality - Fraser Health Authority**

### **Bundle Up For The Cold**

Dressing appropriately for cold weather keeps your child comfortable and protected. Wearing multiple layers is a great way to trap body heat and provide insulation against the cold.

Keep a warm hat, gloves, scarves and warm, waterproof boots handy. Remind your child to wear these items before heading outside to play or going to school.

Learn about [hypothermia](#) and [frostbite](#) as children can be more susceptible.

### **Protect Against Winter Illnesses**

Winter brings an increased risk of colds and flu. Ensure your child receives their annual flu vaccine and talk to a health care provider about any additional vaccines that may be recommended. Teach your child good respiratory etiquette such as regular hand washing, covering their coughs and sneezes and staying home when sick. If they are sick and cannot stay away from others, masks can help to reduce the risk of spreading illness. Learn more about masks [here](#).

### **Keep Their Bodies Moving**

It is important to keep your child active during winter as regular physical activity is important for good health. Outdoor activities such as skating, sledding and going for walks as a family are all great ways to keep active. On colder days, indoor play and activities such as dancing, yoga or sports are great ways to promote movement. Look for drop-in programs at local community centres or indoor sports facilities.

If you play on frozen lakes or ponds, be sure that the ice has been tested for strength and safety. Learn more on the [Lifesaving Society's website](#).

Find more tips for a healthy winter on Fraser Health's [Winter Health](#) page.

## **Student in Distress and School Safety**

Health and safety are a priority in the Langley School District. Our schools follow procedures to help keep students, staff, and the community safe. Depending on the situation, communication to parents/caregivers is needed to keep families informed about incidents in our school, such as during lockdowns, hold & secures, and room clears, or in the event of a student in distress. Sometimes these situations may not be emergencies but events that require a school response. It is important to note that the decision to send communications to families is dependent on a variety of factors including the nature of what happened, who has witnessed or was directly impacted by what happened, as well as student and staff privacy. Communication is unique and dependent on the specific situation; there are times when a student is in distress, yet the situation may or may not require a message or letter to families. In addition to communication with parents/caregivers, teachers and staff may debrief with students after an incident that may have upset them. In some cases, the school counsellor may offer support to students in need. As always, we want families to let us know if your child requires support. If you have any questions or concerns about communication related to situations or emergencies, please reach out to the school.



## WHAT'S ON



December 2025

### BOOK review



#### **Impossible Creatures** by Katherine Rundell

When Christopher rescues a baby griffin, he discovers the Archipelago—a secret world of magical creatures. But its magic is fading, and only Christopher

and Mal, a brave girl on the run, can save it. Their quest takes them past dragons, kraken, and sphinxes in a race against time. Perfect for fans of fast-paced fantasy and daring adventures!

Perfect for fans of Percy Jackson, Keeper of the Lost Cities, or Wings of Fire.

Check it out & its sequel *The Poisoned King* - new in the LLC this month.



#### **Why was the library so tall?**

Because it had a lot of stories!



### upcoming EVENTS

Have a happy holiday. See you on January 5.

### MOST CIRCULATED BOOKS 2025

#### Top 10!!

- *Guts* by Raina Telgemeier
- *The Squad* by Christina Soontornvat
- *Sisters* by Raina Telgemeier
- *Drama* by Raina Telgemeier
- *Big Nate Makes the Grade* by Lincoln Peirce
- *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier
- *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins
- *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*
- *The Tryout* by Christina Soontornvat
- *Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* by Dusti Bowling

Check them out in the LLC today!



### CIRCULATION stats

615 items were signed out of the library during December!

Grade 6s signed out 278 items

Grade 7s signed out 133 items

Grade 8s signed out 55 items

Grade 9s signed out 65 items

Grade 10s signed out 23 items

Grade 11s signed out 39 items

Grade 12s signed out 22 items

615  
books!



SD35 Career Education

## PATHWAYS TO THE FUTURE

Exploring Langley School District's Trades & Career Opportunities

### SAVE THE DATE!

# 03

DAY

# FEB

MONTH

# 2026

YEAR

Join us for this family information evening as we highlight the district's career programs and pathways to post-secondary success!

**6:30 pm - 8:00 pm**  
**Langley Events Centre**




  
Automotive

  
Carpentry

  
Electrical

  
Hairstylist

  
Landscape Horticulture

  
Piping/Plumbing

  
Professional Cook 1


  
Welding


  
Intro to Health Science


  
Early Childhood Education


  
Biomedical & Health Science


## DUAL-CREDIT PROGRAMS (TRADES & ACADEMIC)


  
Automotive


  
Carpentry


  
Electrical


  
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### APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR WILL OPEN IN JANUARY!

CHAT WITH YOUR CAREER ADVISOR, TO LEARN MORE.

## JASPERACTIVE

Dive into interactive lessons and practice real-world tasks to build your Microsoft Office skills step by step (Word, Excel, & PowerPoint).

Get ready to boost your confidence and become a Microsoft Office pro!









## Industry Immersion Series

by myBlueprint



Learn more at:  
[IndustryImmersionSeries.ca/Sponsors/Shad](https://IndustryImmersionSeries.ca/Sponsors/Shad)



Series Completion Incentive

Grade 7-11 students

Deadline: January 5<sup>th</sup> 2026

### 5x Shad Canada Entrance Scholarships

In collaboration with myBlueprint's Industry Immersion Series, Shad Canada is offering 5 Entrance Scholarships to students across Canada for the 2026 program & beyond





## PROFESSIONAL COOK 1 WORKSHOP

MONDAY | JAN 26, 2026 | 10:00AM - 12:00PM

**Interested in becoming a Professional Cook?  
Want to learn more about the Professional Cook 1 Program?**

Students in grade 10 and 11 are invited to join us for a Professional Cook 1 Workshop at Walnut Grove Secondary School where you will learn about occupations related to the Professional Cook industry and will be involved in some hands-on activities with current students.

Students will also learn about Langley's Youth Train in Trades Professional Cook 1 Program.



**There will be plenty of time to ask questions!**

See your Career Advisor for an Application!



## CARPENTRY WORKSHOP

TUESDAY | JAN 27, 2026 | 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

**Interested in becoming a Carpenter?  
Want to learn more about the Carpentry Program?**

Students in grade 10 - 11 are invited to join us for a workshop at Langley School District's Youth Train in Trades Carpentry Training Shop at Aldergrove Community Secondary School. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Carpentry program!

Students will also learn about occupations related to the Carpentry industry and will be involved in some hands-on activities.



**There will be plenty of time to ask questions!**

See your Career Advisor for an Application!

## Indigenous Cultural Safety Training

Cultural Safety Training will help you to better understand how to serve, work alongside and build relationships with Indigenous peoples and communities.

**\*APPROPRIATE FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN HEALTH CARE, EDUCATION, TRADES AND MANY OTHER IN-DEMAND SECTORS\***

**Monday, February 9**  
**9:00-3:00**

**Langley School Board Office**  
See your Career Advisor for an application!  
Applications due: January 26, 2026

## Aviation Explorations 12

Next Class Starts January 2026

**Are you interested in aviation—as a career option, or just for fun?**  
Then this is the course for you. Classes begin January.

**Learn about:** History of aviation, theory of flight, air navigation, meteorology, safety systems, air law, career paths, and more. We do hands-on learning, field trips and have guest speakers from industry.

**Where and When:** Classes take place at LEC / LSS campus, Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 4:00pm to 7:00PM. Students continue with their regular studies at their home schools during school hours but get to add this extra grade 12 course toward their grad requirements.

**Who:** Students in grades 10-12 who are interested in aviation. There are no pre-requisites, however, careers in aviation require professionalism and good communication skills. Some career options require strong math skills.

**Do you like:**

- ✓ Going on field trips
- ✓ Hearing guest speakers working in the aviation industry
- ✓ Doing hands-on assignments
- ✓ Learning with like-minded students

**Next Steps:**

Register Now

**It you are interested** in the next course, talk to your parent/guardian and begin the registration process now. This process has multiple steps and takes some time. Go to:

<https://lec.sd35.bc.ca/registration/>

Course registration opens in October.

More Info

If you or your parent/guardian would like more information, complete the more info form.

Contact info: [FBrown@SD35.BC.CA](mailto:FBrown@SD35.BC.CA)

<https://careered.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/list/>



# Community News

## **Project Resiliency Program**

Project Resiliency is a three-day counselling-based program (for Grades 8-12) that offers young people the opportunity to address whatever might be preventing them from achieving their full potential

For more info <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/5993/project-resiliency>

## **Alternate programs**

Alternate programs in Langley are designed to address educational, social, and emotional needs of students whose needs are not met in traditional school settings

## **Public Health Nurse** - supporting the Langley School District

Fraser Health's healthy schools nurses support school districts and identified (Focus) schools to promote the physical, emotional and social well-being of students.

For more information, please contact: [publicnurse@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:publicnurse@sd35.bc.ca)

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/2018/healthy-schools>

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/community-bulletin-board>