



The Titans' Tribune

Home and School Working Together

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Issue #4

Upcoming Dates

Hello LFMSS Families:

We have had a lot of events happening over the past few weeks!

School Improvement Day – Staff worked on our school-wide literacy vision (see vision below) and reviewed/practiced school-wide emergency procedures.

Orange Shirt Day – There was a lot of meaningful work related to Orange Shirt Day and Truth and Reconciliation. It was so encouraging to have so many Staff and students participate in several aspects of the day (and days leading up to Sept. 26th).

Terry Fox Event and Fundraising – We exceeded our goal of raising \$1000 for the Terry Fox Foundation and cancer research! Thank you to our Leadership class for coordinating the fundraising and events leading up to our run on Oct. 7th. Please check out the photos within this Titan Tribune.

Athletics - All of our Fall Athletics are in full swing for our secondary grades. Volleyball for Grades 6-7 will be happening soon and our Middle School Athletic Director, Mr. James Johnson will be communicating information as needed. We are always in need of Community Coaches, so please let him know if you are interested in supporting our athletes!

Informal Learning Updates – This week, students and their teachers discussed their learning progress through a competency lens. Please ask your child to share this information with you.

The purpose of the Informal Learning Update is to communicate what your child is currently able to do and areas of improvement. This update will **not** include percentages, letter grades, or proficiency levels.

Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences will be on Wednesday, Oct. 22nd and Thursday, Oct. 23rd and this will be

Oct. 21	District Choir Festival
Oct. 22 & 23	Student Parent Teacher Conferences
Oct. 22 & 23	Early Dismissal – 1:55pm
Oct. 24	Pro D Day – No School
Oct. 28	Grade 7 Squeak & Squawk 5:00pm
Oct. 29	Senior Volleyball Night 5:00pm

Please visit www.lfmss.sd35.bc.ca for the most up to date 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



an opportune time to discuss your child's learning progress. Please refer to the online appointment instructions that were sent via School Messenger last week.

Some Friendly Reminders...

Traffic and Pedestrian Safety

This is a friendly reminder to both our LFMSS students and parents to be extra cautious during drop off and pick up times. Thank you to our Crosswalk SEA's for keeping our students safe as they travel through our intersection. We continue to remind our students about pedestrian and driving safety, as well as respecting our neighbours and their property.

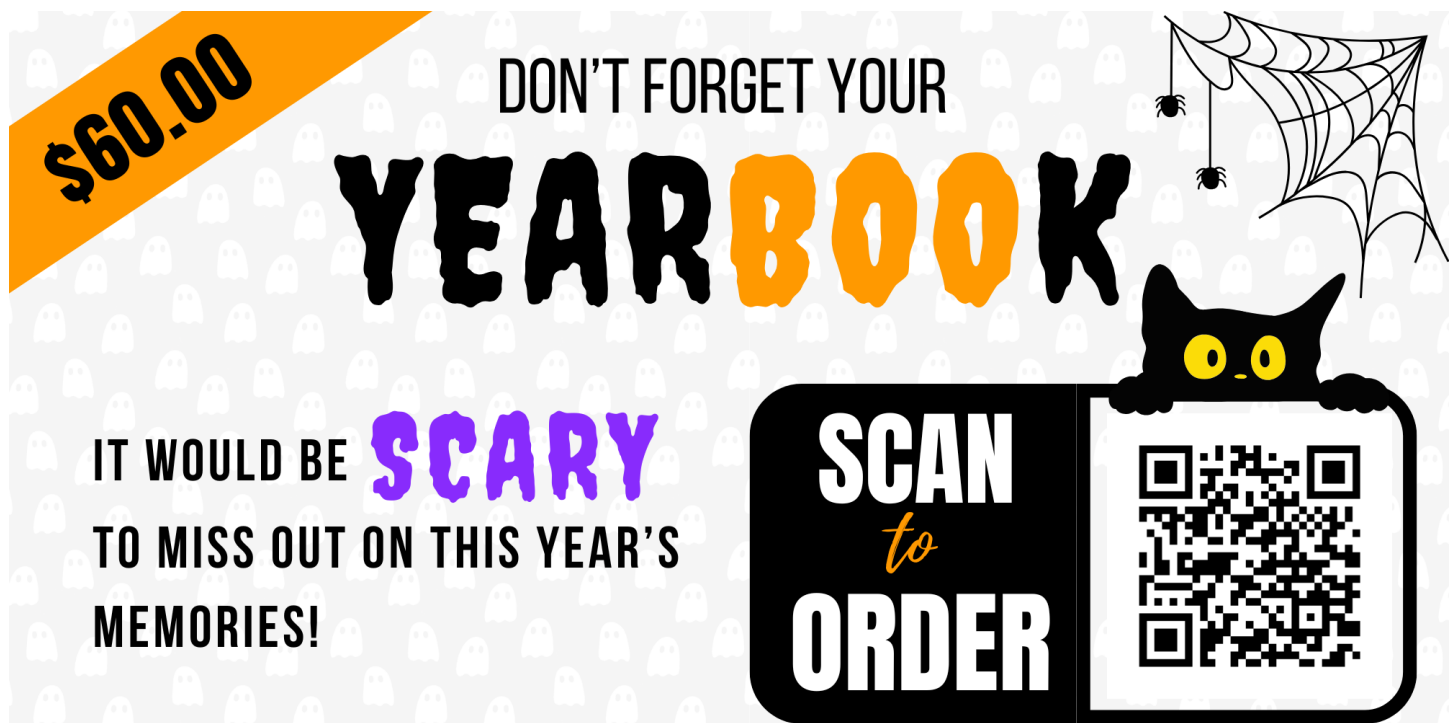
Please Stay Connected!

Please stay connected to our school through our Instagram account and our LFMSS website. Our PAC also has a Facebook page as it is a great way to connect and get involved with our parent community.

I wish all LFMSS families a wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

Ms. Carla Clapton
Principal



A Halloween-themed graphic for yearbook orders. The background is light gray with a repeating pattern of small white ghost icons. In the top left, an orange diagonal banner contains the text "\$60.00" in black. The top center features the text "DON'T FORGET YOUR" in black, followed by "YEARBOOK" in large, bold, black letters, with the word "BOOK" highlighted in orange. To the right of the text is a black spiderweb with two small black spiders. In the bottom left, the text "IT WOULD BE SCARY TO MISS OUT ON THIS YEAR'S MEMORIES!" is displayed, with "SCARY" in large, bold, purple letters. In the bottom right, there is a black rounded rectangle containing the text "SCAN to ORDER" in white, with "to" in orange script. To the right of this rectangle is a QR code. A black cat with yellow eyes is peeking over the top of the QR code rectangle.

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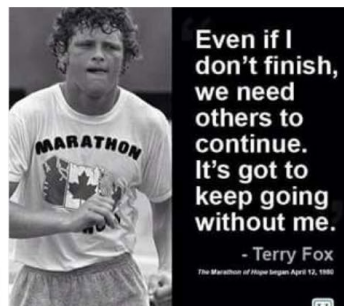
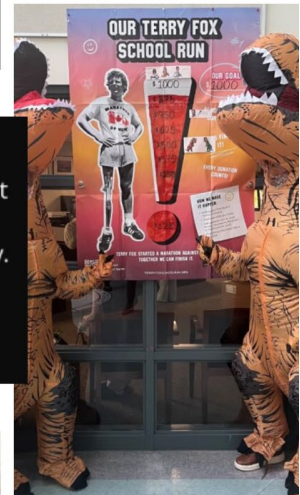
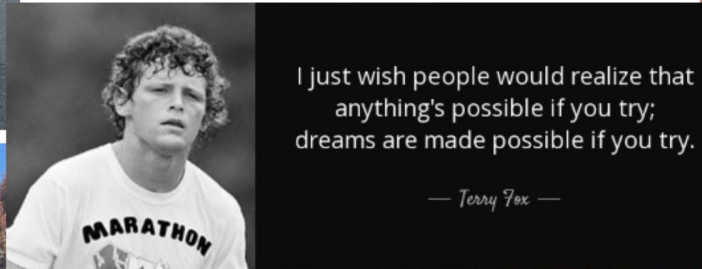
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What's Happening Around the School

When the school surpasses their fundraising goal – crazy things happen!



Student Council Thanksgiving Food Drive – we collected about 150 items of food for the Langley Food Bank





Visual Arts 8 students have been working on shapes (geometric and organic). Here are a couple of projects completed by our talented Grade 8 students.







GRADE 6
MS. LAMBERT'S COOKING CLASS



Shop & Shine at Willowbrook Mall

We are a charitable partner for the **Shop & Shine Charity Shopping Event at Willowbrook Mall on November 18th from 7-10pm.**

Please share with your parent community and staff.

Tickets start at just **\$20** - and when you purchase through the unique link below, **100% of ticket sales go towards supporting the Langley School District Foundation's work we do for the students and schools of Langley.**

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/10th-annual-charity-shopping-night-shop-shine-tickets-1462032672079?aff=LangleySchoolDistrictFoundation>

Please see important information below for how you can not only get tickets for a Vancouver Giants game but support our music program in the process!

🎵 **Game On!!! Let's Support LFMSS Music!** 🎵

We're excited to once again partner with [Thank You for the Music Society](#), for a fun, local fundraising opportunity to support the LFMSS Music Department and it couldn't be easier!!

Thank You for the Music Society has been chosen as the fundraiser beneficiary for the Vancouver Giants game on October 24th. The Society will receive 50% of the 50/50 draw proceeds from the game and they've generously committed to sharing a portion of those funds with LFMSS. Our school will also receive a percentage of every ticket we sell, **so the more tickets we sell, the more we raise!**

IT GETS BETTER!! The Vancouver Giants have given TYFTM the special responsibility of selecting singers for the National Anthems and we're proud to announce that two SD35 secondary students were chosen, including our very own **Annika Nicolle from LFMSS!**

Let's show our support for Annika and the entire LFMSS music program with a great turnout at the game!

Instructions:

1) Register for Tickets

Click the link below to request your tickets for the **October 24th** Vancouver Giants game:

[**Click Here for all the details and to request your tickets October 24th**](#)

2) Choose LFMSS as Your School

In the **School Affiliation** dropdown (option 1), be sure to select:

Langley Fundamental Middle and Secondary School - (LFMSS)

💰 This ensures our school receives credit toward a portion of the fundraiser proceeds!

3) Spread the Word

👉 Encourage your friends and family to register too and remind them to select **LFMSS** as well!

4) Submit the Form

After completing the form, you'll receive a confirmation email from *Thank You for the Music Society*.

📧 **Be sure to check your spam/junk folder** just in case.

5) Send Your Payment

E-transfer your payment to:

✉ tyftmsociety@gmail.com



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.

Byelection Day (October 25)

On Saturday, October 25th, many school gyms across the District will be used as Township of Langley Byelection polling stations from 8am – 8pm. As guided by Section 81 of the Election Act "accommodation in a school that is the property of a board of school trustees under the School Act must be made available by the board for use as a voting place."

Please take note of extra pedestrian and vehicle traffic in the area of these sites on this day. The District appreciates the support and cooperation from families and members of our community. The District is encouraging everyone who is eligible to do their civic duty and vote. For a list of school sites being used, visit the District website [here](#).

School District News

Emergency Procedures in Schools

Schools follow emergency procedures and practice drills throughout the year to ensure students, staff, and any visitors at our sites are safe when unexpected incidents happen. The District encourages families to become familiar with emergency procedures to help you and your child be prepared. You will find the District's Emergency Procedures poster in schools and on the website [here](#).

Community Volunteers in Emergencies

Emergencies can happen unexpectedly due to weather events (e.g., earthquake or flooding) or unforeseen situations in the community. The health and safety of students, staff, and families is the District's priority. The District, together with schools, follow emergency procedures to respond to incidents as well as prevent them from happening. As stated in the provincial **Emergency Management Planning Guide for Schools, Districts and Authorities**, staff have a legal "duty of care," meaning that they "must ensure that students are cared for until such time as they can be

safely reunited with their parents.” Depending on the situation, the school may be caring for students for many days.

In these circumstances, schools may rely on members of the community to assist with emergency responses. Administrators may send a request to parents/guardians to help volunteer with first aid, facilities and maintenance, safety and security, and general labour. Adults with special skills in health care, policing, and engineering would be an asset in an emergency. No action is needed from families at this time as the purpose is to keep families informed.

Choice Program Applications Open Soon for French Immersion

Did you know there are two options for families looking for French Immersion for their students? Early Immersion starts in Kindergarten and goes to grade 12; the Late Immersion program begins in grade 6. The online registration window **opens October 6 and closes October 20, 2025**.

More information can also found on the District website:

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/programs-initiatives/programs-of-choice/immersion-programs/>

All inquiries can be emailed to languages@sd35.bc.ca.

October 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 October is Respiratory Season and Fall Immunizations. 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.

Keep your children free from respiratory illnesses this winter

As the weather gets colder and we spend more time indoors, we’re more likely to get sick with things like colds, flu or COVID-19 because these illnesses spread more easily in enclosed spaces.

Everyone should take these steps to protect themselves and limit the spread of respiratory illnesses:

- Get vaccinated for flu and COVID-19 if you are eligible.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use alcohol-based sanitizer if soap and water is not available.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, mouth and nose.
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow.
- If you have flu-like symptoms, stay home and away from people at higher risk of serious illness. If you are sick and cannot stay away from others, wear a mask. Learn more about masks [here](#).

Vaccinations for respiratory illness

Vaccinations prepare our immune system to recognize and respond to viruses. When children get immunized, they are less likely to get sick or pass along illness to others and better able to focus on learning, playing and doing the activities they love.

Register your children with the Get Vaccinated system so you can be reminded to get flu or COVID-19 vaccinations when they are due. Seasonal respiratory vaccinations are available from pharmacies, public health units and some primary care providers.

School-aged immunizations

As children get older, the protection from some infant immunizations can wear off. To set young people up for long-term health and well-being, vaccines are offered routinely in kindergarten, grade 6 and grade 9 with catch-up opportunities in other grades. Getting your child vaccinated on schedule is one of the best ways to protect their health.

All routine school-aged immunizations are free in British Columbia. If your child is not up-to-date with their vaccines, please make an appointment with a public health unit, family doctor, nurse practitioner or pharmacy. If your child's record shows their vaccines are not current, but they did get vaccines from a health care provider outside of public health:

- Contact the health care provider who immunized your child and ask for a copy of the immunization record.
- Report these immunizations to Public Health online at:
<http://www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform>

Learn more about school-aged immunizations, including how to access your child's records, here: [Children and youth immunizations – Fraser Health Authority](#)

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.

BCIT open house - <https://www.bcit.ca/infosessions/>

KPU open house - <https://www.kpu.ca/info-sessions>

VCC open house - <https://www.vcc.ca/applying/apply-now/info-sessionstours/info-week/>

Langara open house - <https://langara.ca/news-events/information-sessions>

Douglas open house - <https://www.douglascollege.ca/future-students/explore-douglas/information-sessions>

UBC open house - <https://you.ubc.ca/tours-events/information-sessions/>

LOOKING FOR AN ACTIVITY FOR OCTOBER 24?

Join GearBots on October 24 for an exciting, hands-on day at the Girls in STEM One-Day Camp, designed to ignite curiosity and confidence in science, technology, engineering, and math!

This immersive experience is perfect for girls who want to explore how the world works and how they can shape its future through creativity, collaboration, and innovation. Camp participants will:

- 🧑‍🔬 Solve real-world engineering challenges
- 💡 Collaborate in teams to design & present ideas
- 🎨 Explore creativity through digital design
- 🖨️ Bring concepts to life with 3D printing



Girls in S.T.E.M.

WHEN:
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2025,
FROM 8:00AM TO 2:30PM

WHERE:
LONGBOARD ARCHITECTURAL,
120-1777 CLEARBROOK RD,
ABBOTSFORD, BC

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!



ARE YOU A PAID APPRENTICE?

DID YOU KNOW...

- **YOU CAN EARN 16 CREDITS TOWARD GRADUATION?**
- **YOU COULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR A \$1000 SCHOLARSHIP?**

EARN \$\$ WHILE YOU YOU LEARN!!

DUAL-CREDIT PROGRAMS (TRADES & ACADEMIC)



THANK YOU FOR SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATIONS!

**LIMITED SPACE MAY STILL BE AVAILABLE IN SOME PROGRAMS -
CHAT WITH YOUR CAREER ADVISOR, IF INTERESTED.**

Contact info: FBrown@SD35.BC.CA

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

Presented by: UFV Physics & Engineering



Engineering Programs Info Session

Tuesday, October 28, 2025
7:00pm, B101, UFV Abbotsford

Please join us for a comprehensive session open to prospective students and families as well as school counsellors/advisors. Topics will include:

- Program options: **Engineering Common Core Certificate** and **Engineering Physics Diploma in Mechatronics**
- Admissions and registration processes, deadlines, fees and costs
- Career and educational opportunities
- Q & A session
- Meet Physics & Engineering faculty members, UFV Student Recruiters and current program students.

Please register at
ufv.ca/engineering

Panel members include:

- **Trevor Beugeling**,
Engineering Program Chair
and Assistant Professor
- **Dr. Peter Mulhern**,
Associate Professor,
Physics & Engineering
- **Dr. Jeff Chizma**, Physics
Department Head
- **Dr. Elmer Magsino**,
Assistant Professor,
Physics & Engineering
- UFV Future Students Office
- Current program students

Refreshments will be available

Questions? Call 604-864-4698 or email karli.menagh@ufv.ca

Learn more at ufv.ca/engineering



Community News

The Career Discoveries Program works with students from all around the Langley School District in grades 10, 11, and 12. The goal of the Career Discoveries Program is to place diverse learners in real workplace environments so they can learn and practice employability skills. Employability skills help a student get and keep a job while helping them to be as independent as possible.

<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/6016/career-discoveries>

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

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

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