

This Week at WLE – January 27

WLE Students were engaging in learning opportunities focusing on cross-curricular literacy skills and problem solving. Be sure to ask your child what they wrote about or what book they read this week in class! We encourage everyone to read every day at home either out loud, together or on your own! Check out our Instagram (wlelions) and twitter accounts (@WLElions) for specific examples of learning this week!



Walnut Grove Secondary Grade 7 Open House

Parent/Guardians and their grade 7 students are invited to attend the WGSS Grade 7 Open House on January 30 from 6:00-7:30pm. More information will be sent home with students next week.

Camp Jubilee – Grade 7 Camp Information Meeting

On Tuesday, February 4 at 6pm, there will a very important information meeting about our June Grade 7 Camp in the library. Camp Jubilee will be joining us with a short presentation, answer questions families may have and hand out all forms. It would be great if every grade 7 camp was represented at the meeting (students are welcome to attend) but families not present will have forms sent home on Wednesday, February 5. If you have further information, please contact Ms. Potter-Smith at clambiepottersmith@sd35.bc.ca or phone the school office at 604-888-6444.

PAC Information

WLE PAC is excited to announce we're hosting a Parents Night Out on Saturday February 29th at Jimy Mac's Pub!! EVERYONE is welcome and last year was a lot of fun so we hope to see you there!

Each \$20 ticket includes a burger, fries and a drink (beer, highball or wine). Tickets are on sale today in the office (please see Ms. Swerdan) or contact



us at westlangleypac@outlook.com. There will also be a 50/50 Draw.



Please consider joining us (bring your friends!) in support of the West Langley PAC and help us fundraise to support learning and activities for all our students.

Emergency Drills

On February 4, we will be practicing a Lock Down Drill, so we are sending some information help you get familiar with our emergency procedures. Each year, schools across British Columbia practice emergency drills to learn routines and expectations that can be used in a variety of situations. Routines and practiced expectations help to keep everyone calm and orderly allowing adults to respond appropriately. Some of these drills include fire, earthquake (drop, cover and hold), evacuate, shelter in place, room clear, hold and secure and lockdown. We will typically do 9-10 emergency drills a year, most of them being fire and earthquake drills. Please see the attached emergency drill poster which is also located in every classroom. If a school was to go into a hold and secure or into lockdown, families would receive communication from the school after consultation with the School Board Office.

If your child is worried about the lock down drill, you can help us by reviewing with your child/children that it is only a drill and that they are safe. Their teachers are present to help them and give them reassurance – it is a quiet emergency drill and we remain inside. If you think giving us a heads up to provide additional support to your child is warranted, please do not hesitate to let Ms. Potter-Smith know at clambiepottersmith@sd35.bc.ca. If you have any questions about our emergency drills, please contact Ms. Potter-Smith directly.

Calendar of Events

January 30

- PAC Meeting, 6:30pm
- 9am: Jump Rope for Heart Campaign Kick Off Assembly
- 1pm: BC Sports Hall of Fame Presentation for Gr. 4-7
- 6-7:30pm: Grade 7 Open House at Walnut Grove Secondary



Upcoming Events:

February 3 – Green Thumb Theatre Presentation, 1:30pm

February 4 – Lock Down Drill (please see Emergency Procedures attachment)

February 4 – Grade 7 Camp Information Evening, 6pm, WLE Library

February 13 – Spirit Day: Red, White and Pink Day

February 14 – Professional Development Day (Schools closed to students)

February 17 – Family Day (Schools Closed)

February 20 – Grade 7 Band at Walnut Grove Secondary (evening – more information to follow)

February 24 – Non-Instructional Day – students do not attend

February 26 – Kinderstarts: Literacy, Numeracy or Rhyme), 1:00-2:30pm



Kindergarten

Registration

It's the time of year to get ready to register for Kindergarten! Kindergarten Registration begins on **Monday, January 20**th **until March 31**. The office will be open from 7:30am-3:00pm for registrations. When you come to register (even if siblings already attend WLE) please be sure to bring the following documents:

Student's Proof of Age (one of the following): ☐ Birth certificate ☐ Certificate of citizenship (must have both sides) ☐ Court Order ☐ Driver's
Licence □ Immigration Canada documents (if refugee paperwork, please send a copy to Office
Services, SBO). □ Passport □ Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS), also known as Status Card.
Parents' Citizenship – (Canadian Citizens) □ Canadian Birth certificate □ Canadian passport □
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Parents' Citizenship – (Permanent Residents / Refugees) □ Landed permanent residents card □ Refugee documents from Immigration Canada (with a copy of the Student's documents, see above)
Residency : The custodial parent/guardian must be resident in BC \square BC Drivers license \square Subject free Purchase Agreement (move in date within 6 months) \square Municipal tax bill \square Mortgage statement \square Utility bill

If you have any questions about registration, please call our school office at 604-888-6444.

Kinderstarts, Welcome to Kindergarten and Ready, Set Learn (RSL)

We have four upcoming sessions at West Langley! Please click on the link below to register.

https://www.sd35.bc.ca/programs-initiatives/early-learning-birth-5-yrs/

- 1) Kinderstarts Literacy, Numeracy or Rhyme: Wednesday, February 26 (1-2:30pm)
- 2) RSL Movement, Music and Me: Wednesday, April 1 (1:30-2:30pm)
- 3) RSL Early Literacy: Wednesday, April 22 (1:30-2:30pm)
- 4) Welcome to Kindergarten: Wednesday, May 6 (1:00-2:30pm)
- 5) RSL Read to Me: Wednesday, May 13 (1:30-2:30pm)



Inclement Weather Information

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 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.