The TITANS' Tribune

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Upcoming Dates

Hello LFMSS Families:

It is incredible to believe that we have already started the month of March and there are only ten more days of learning until Spring Break. In this week's message, please find some details of many of these events.

Two New Middle School Divisions for September 2024

Our Office Admin has been working tirelessly to offer and accept student registrations for September 2024. We will be welcoming up to 29 Grade 6's, 29 Grade 27's and approximately 22 Grade 8's (the increase in Grade 8's is the same as previous years). There is a lot of work to do to prepare for this student growth and information will be shared as needed.

Frozen Jr at the School Board Meeting

This past Tuesday, our Frozen, Jr cast had the opportunity to showcase our upcoming musical at the February School Board meeting. Our talented students wowed the crowd and received a standing ovation. We are looking forward to seeing the finished product soon!

Emergency Lockdown

As mentioned in the letter that was sent home on Tuesday afternoon, we had an unplanned lockdown due to information that was shared with Admin. I would like to thank the Staff and students for following the proper protocols and procedures as we followed the directives of law enforcement and our District. Mr. MacIver and I stopped by every classroom before the end of the day on Tuesday to check-in and acknowledge our appreciation to Staff and students.

Mar. 1 Gr. 6/7 Hot Lunch

Mar. 5 Parent Teacher Interviews
Appointments Online Opens

Mar. 7 Music in the Movies (7pm)

Mar. 8 Grade 6/7 Term 2 Learning Updates Published MyEdBC

Mar. 13/14 Parent Teacher Interviews (1 hr. early dismissal)

Mar. 14 Gr. 9 Europe Trip

Mar. 15 Last day before Spring Break

Apr. 2 First day back after Spring Break

Please visit <u>www.lfmss.sd35.bc.ca</u> for the most up to ate calendar of events.

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Diversity and Respect Week

There was such a positive response to this week's themed days. In particular, thank you to Ms. DelaMorandiere and her Leadership students who created the "You are Loved" wall on Pink Shirt Day. One student shared with me that they had been feeling a bit low that morning and when they saw the wall, found their name, and read their message, it lifted them up for the day. That is direct and impactful proof that just a kind message encourages positive school culture and can brighten someone's day.

Grade 8 Medieval Faire

Thank you to Mr. Bresett and other Staff for once again putting on a fantastic event for our Grade 8 students. This is an important tradition for LFMSS and it is wonderful to see how engaged both students and parents are during this event.

Professional Learning Communities: Session #1

It was so encouraging to walk through the school on Wednesday morning and see Staff in their PLC teams talking about student learning. Thank you to Mr. MacIver for coordinating the assemblies for the students and thank you to our Support Staff who helped supervise.

Upcoming Parent-Teacher Interviews

The online appointment site will be open and 'live' at 1:30 PM on Tuesday, March 5th and will close on Tuesday, March 12th at noon. After that, parents will need to connect with a teacher directly to set up an opportunity to discuss student learning. Parent-teacher interviews will be happening on Wednesday, March 13th and Thursday, March 14th. Both days will be early dismissals and the Thursday evening will be open for interviews.

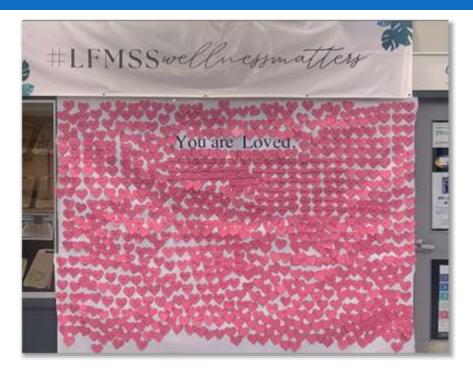
Sincerely,

Ms. Carla Clapton, Principal

LFMSS "You are Loved" Wall

Last week was "Pink Shirt Day." A wall of hearts was created by the Leadership Team with a sweet personal message for our 775 students and staff. Everyone was invited to find their name and keep the message. You are loved!





Jazz Festival

Last weekend the jazz bands, combos and jazz choir got to participate in the Surrey jazz festival! They did a stellar job and got to work with some awesome professional musicians.



LFMSS Podcast Club



The new Podcast Club had their first meeting recently.

Mr. Reeve and Ms. Hewitt will meet with the Club every second Thursday.

Medieval Faire 2024

On Tuesday, February 27th, our Grade 8 students participated in the 22nd Annual LFMSS Medieval Faire, hosted by Mr. Bresett, Mrs. Jurgeneit, and Mr. Johnson. Our grade 8 band, under the direction of Ms. Joo, provided musical entertainment for the gathered kingdoms. The Society for Creative Anachronism – Barony of Lions Gate came out in large numbers to share their passion about all things medieval with our staff and students, and share in the feast in the Great Hall provided by our wonderful parents!

MEDIEVAL FAIRE 2024













Grad Bowling

Our Grad 2024 bowling event was a huge success!









Budget Consultation 2024-2025

Want to have your say on the District's budget for 2024-2025? The Langley School District is inviting students, Staff, parents/guardians, and all members of the public to take part in its Budget Consultation 2024-2025 by completing this 5-minute survey here or providing feedback by email to budgetconsultation@sd35.bc.ca. All survey and email submissions will be accepted until March 31, 2024.

The data gathered will help provide our District Leadership Staff and Board of Education with information needed to make decisions impacting education. The District is sharing videos and an infographic located on our webpage which may be helpful to you. For more information as well as translated versions of the survey, please visit our District webpage <u>here</u>.

Titans Music in the Movies



Youth Online Safety Workshop

Youth online safety workshop during Stop the Exploitation of Children & Youth Awareness Week on March 5th, 2024, from 5:30-7:00pm at Foundry Langley. This workshop will be co-hosted by our Family Peer Support Worker and Youth Street Outreach Worker; diving into online safety for youth aged 12-24. It is available for all caregivers, parents and service providers that work with youth.



LET'S KEEP YOUTH SAFE ONLINE

This interactive workshop is available for all caregivers, parents or service providers that work with youth. We will discuss how to keep youth safe online while teaching them skills to navigate the online world.

We will explore...

- Current online trends
- Ways to help youth navigate online platforms safely
- Resources available for youth and parents/caregivers/staff

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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 by6:30am. 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.

Community News

Here are a few items from the Langley School District's Community Bulletin Board. For more community events please visit https://www.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/community-bulletin-board/





