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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Please note the Trades Show Expo under the Careers section has a deadline of Oct 17<sup>th</sup>. This is a great opportunity for students in grade 10 – 12. Please see below to get the application in to Ms. Stuive. Also, there will be a Dry Grad Committee meeting on Oct 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the Learning Commons if you are interested in getting involved. The Dry Grad is not a school sanctioned event.

The first informal reporting occurs the week of Oct 16-  $19^{th}$ . This provides how the student is doing in their courses in terms of their strengths and areas of growth needed but does not provide formal marks with letter grades or percentages. We invite you to make an appointment with the teachers offered on Oct  $25^{th}$  (2 – 4:30pm) or Oct  $26^{th}$  (2 – 7:00 pm). If these times don't work, a phone call or email is always available to have a discussion.

The Ministry of Education has a new reporting order including new Report Card templates and student reflections. K-12 Report card templates are now uniform across the province. Proficiency language continues in place at the grade 9 level with letter grades and percentages for grades 10-12.

A new course code appearing on report cards this year are student reflections. Students will be writing reflections on a given competency throughout the term and are the responsibility of the student. The evidence of learning is captured in an app called Spaces EDU. Parents will be notified closer to the reporting periods when this is live and are encouraged to have conversations about student learning at home.

Diane Smillie, Principal

# **Upcoming Events**

Oct 16 – 19<sup>th</sup> Learning Update (Interim Reports)

Oct 17<sup>th</sup>: Photo Retakes Gr 9 Careers Assembly

Oct 18<sup>th</sup>: School wide Assembly (Brandon Gabriel)

Oct 24<sup>th</sup>: Gr 12 Student Assembly

Oct 25<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 4:30 pm Parent Teacher Interviews

October  $26^{th} 2:00 - 7:00 \text{ pm}$ 

October 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Gr 12 Parent Evening







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### SCHOOL PHOTOS: RETAKES OCTOBER 17th



Langley Secondary, it's time to get ready for retake day.

## Don't forget.

- It's not too late for students to order. They can still get free shipping if they order before October 24, 2023.
- If you are missing a package, it might be because they ordered after the deadline. This means we'll be shipping the order with the retake packages.
- If there are any questions or customer issues, please let them know they can get in touch with our CS team. They're available by live chat, email and phone seven days a week.









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### PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Next meeting in the Learning Commons at 6:00 pm October 16th.

## PHOTO RETAKES – TUESDAY OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

Photo Retakes will be on Tuesday in the small gym starting at 9am. Students who need new photos or who missed the original photo day will be called down by grade and last name throughout the morning.

### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher interviews will take place over two days:

Wed. October 25<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 4:30 pm Thurs October 26<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 7:00 pm

Interviews can be scheduled now online by clicking this link: https://lss.schoolappointments.com

### **GRAD NEWS**

Grade 12 students will attend an assembly on Oct 24<sup>th</sup> during REP time to receive information from the Counselling Department about grad pathways, transcripts and post secondary information. Students will receive a handout to take home.

Parents are invited to the school to receive the same information at 7:00 pm on Oct 26<sup>th</sup> in the Small Gym. Students are encouraged to attend with their parents since communication is important about this important information. Brief information will also be provided regarding the graduation commencement and banquet along with expectations for the year. More detailed information regarding these important events will take place in April.







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### **CAREER NEWS:**





### Trades Expo - Thursday October 19th, 2023

On October 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a field trip for Grade 9- 12 students to attend the Trades Expo at the Agriplex. This is a great opportunity for students looking to explore work in the trades and will provide them opportunity to interact with real tradespeople. Permission forms can be picked up at Ms. Stuive's office in the counselling centre. The deadline for applications has been extended to October 17th.









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## Take our Kids to Work Day - Wednesday, November 1st, 2023

On October 17<sup>th</sup> at the Grade 9 Assembly students will receive a parent information letter and form regarding Take Our Kids to Work day (TOKTWD). This day is an opportunity for students to explore career options and gain a deeper understanding of today's workforce and the skills necessary to be successful. To learn more about TOKTWD refer to the Student Comission of Canada website: <a href="https://www.studentscommission.ca/en/take-our-kids-to-work">https://www.studentscommission.ca/en/take-our-kids-to-work</a> For students unable to find a work placement we are offering an alternative opportunity. Permission forms for a Food Safe Level 1 Certification workshop from 8:30-2:30 on November 1<sup>st</sup> at LSS will be available for Grade 9 students to get from Ms. Stuive and Mrs. Kiers at the counselling office. The cost of the workshop is \$25 to cover the workbook and exam certification. The workshop has a max of 25 students.

# Parents as Career Coaches Workshop - Tuesday November 7th, 2023

Education Planner BC with Sd35 invites parents to attend a virtual workshop on the evening of Tuesday November 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Registration is required at the link below. Learn how you can support your Grade 10- 12 students in planning for their future. <a href="https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/c5ea5740-a1da-4177-be11-abd5a86e8c6b@31f68b85-2fd5-401e-88a4-bda85d3294b0">https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/c5ea5740-a1da-4177-be11-abd5a86e8c6b@31f68b85-2fd5-401e-88a4-bda85d3294b0</a>

## **Nexus Hire Ed Program**

This program is for recently graduated students and soon to graduate students who are looking to pursue post-secondary education. It is a 10-week program that provides students with laptops and one semester of tuition covered. For more information here is their website: <a href="https://vocationaltrainingcentre.com/hire-ed-program/">https://vocationaltrainingcentre.com/hire-ed-program/</a>

More Career Information for Parents can be found on the Sd35 Career Education Website: <a href="https://careered.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/newsletters/">https://careered.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/newsletters/</a>

Book a time to meet with Naomi Stuive, Career Advisor: <a href="https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/LSSCounsellingCentre1@sd35.bc.ca/bookings/">https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/LSSCounsellingCentre1@sd35.bc.ca/bookings/</a>







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### **TERRY FOX RUN**

The AVID 12 class would like to thank you for your support of the Terry Fox Run this year. We are currently at \$1005 of our \$1500 goal. We greatly appreciate your support in having the students come in REP to collect, and in participating in the run (walk) on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to those who took the time to watch the video and talk/walk with your students about the run, to PHE for allowing us to use the big gym as our starting space and for crosswalk duty, to Greg for the extra sweeper lap, to Tomas and the photography students for taking great photos, Meagan for the extra organizational support, Elle for playing move the balloon arch with me, and to the AVID 9-12 teachers and classes for lining the root and providing all the pep. Those of you who know me know that this is a cause that I hold close..

If you have any feedback (positive or negative) around the event, please let me know as we would always like to make things better.

They are considering running a bake or donut sale next week to reach their final goal. I will update if this is the case. If you would still like to donate, we will come around to classes one more time on Friday and the online options will also remain available. School Cash Online or Terry Fox Foundation Site.



With gratitude,

Alyssa Pagnanini







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### **ATHLETICS**

Merch: Hoodies have been ordered and will arrive in the next two weeks; pictures are below with designs! We will have black, light grey, dark grey, and white base options. Price is to be determined so wait for an update! Hats are now available at the store for \$20. We still have plenty of the \$10 special t-shirts left, so buy yours next week!











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This next week is a busy week for the Seniors as we have two senior nights!

Highlight of the week was the Sr. Boys Soccer team taking down RE Mountain in a close game 2-1! Paul Heim and Jaime Sanchez finished at the net to give us our two goals! Omar Sahl kept the net clear on our side with some outstanding saves! This upcoming week, we have five home games! Our two headliners this week, our Sr. Girls Volleyball team, have Sr. Night on Tuesday night against GW Graham. The Football team gears up to face Argyle next Friday night at MAP in their Sr./ Alumni Night game! Come out to support our grads class of 2024!

## **GRAD NEWS:** Grad Barbie – Q!













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### **DRY GRAD 2024**

## Dry Grad Meeting October 16th at 6:00 pm in the Learning Commons

Hello Grade 12 parents, Grad will be here before we know it! Last year an amazing group of volunteers formed a Dry Grad committee to plan a wonderful evening for the grads. I am hoping we can do the same this year. Last year, the committee was formed early in the year and regular meetings were held to plan the venue, decorations, prizes and fundraising. We will need a dedicated group to get together and plan this night and we should get started ASAP. Please reach out to lssdrygrad2024@gmail.com if you are able to join the committee and help plan dry grad for the kids this year. Thank you.



### POST SECONDARY INSTITUTES WERE IN THE BUILDING!

Post Secondary Day was a big success with our grade 11 & 12's attending the Career Fair and taking in two sessions of their choice to listen to what schools had to offer. Thank you to Rachel Kiers and Naomi Stuive for their help in organizing the event.







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## Career News:

Hello parents and students! Lots of news from the Careers Dept. Check it out at this link <a href="https://careered.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/newsletters/">https://careered.sd35.bc.ca/news-events/newsletters/</a>

We have some exciting upcoming events and opportunities we want to inform you of:



# Trades Expo @ the Agriplex

On Thursday, October  $19^{th}$  Grades 10-12 students have the opportunity to apply to attend the Trades Expo at the Agriplex on Cloverdale Fairgrounds. This is the largest interactive trades event in all of B.C. The Field Trip will be running from 10:15 am -12:15pm. Application forms can be picked up from Ms. Stuive's office in the counselling centre. Forms are due October  $17^{th}$ .

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming opportunities, feel free to reach out to Ms. Stuive the Career Advisor here at LSS at Nstuive@sd35.bc.ca.





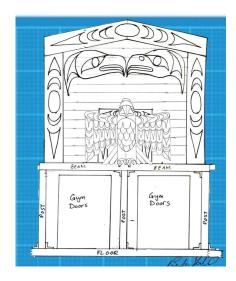


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### ABORIGINAL NEWS

Brandon Gabriel will be speaking to the students in a school wide assembly on October 18<sup>th</sup>. He will link his story of his family in residential schools, and his family's experience as students who attended Langley Secondary. Brandon's artwork and the story of the Thunderbird building the first longhouse brings our powerful mascot home to the front entry of our large gymnasium. Some of the wood in the art comes from the original building and beams Brandon's father sat under while in the cafeteria. The Thunderbird is our mascot, worn on our jerseys and represents.......



### **GRADUATION ASSESSMENTS AND REQUIREMENT:**

Grade 12 Literacy Grad Assessments will take place the last week of October. These assessments are mandatory to graduate. All grade 12 students will be scheduled to write their assessments according to their last name. Schedules will be posted on the wall in front of the office the week before. The assessment will be scheduled throughout the week in either A and B block or C and D block.

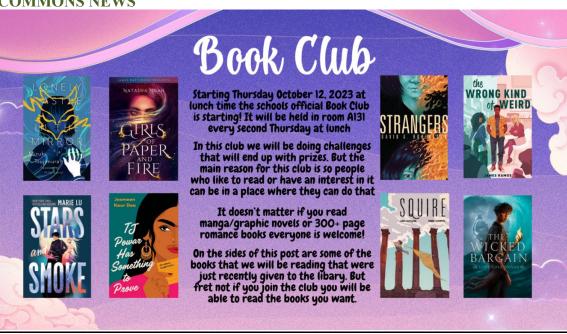






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### **LEARNING COMMONS NEWS**



### Monthly Book Challenge

Enter for a chance to win a \$20 gift card to Chapters Indigo

This month:
Finish a book in our
Indigenous Collection

(See the new book spinner at the entrance to the learning commons)

Fill out a raffle ticket

Drop it in the box in the library

Read as many books as you like and enter the contest as many times as you like

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### SECONDARY LANGUAGE CHALLENGE EXAMS

Below is a summary of the Language Challenge Exam information that was sent to all Secondary counsellors this week:

Language Challenge Exams - Dates: January 27th & 28th

Application and Registration Timeline:

- September 2023 Course challenge applications, guidelines, and specifications to schools.
- November 3, 2023 Completed student applications for the challenge process due at the school level. (Please double-check to make sure all applications are complete).
- November 10, 2023 Completed student applications and cheques to Deborah Zurbuchen Jonker due at the SBO.
- November 17, 2023 All applications will be delivered to the Delta School District.
- December 8, 2023 Cancellation deadline. All requests for cancellation must be made in writing. No refunds will be issued, and no changes will be made after December 8.
- December 2023 Confirmations by email will be made. If you have not received an email by the end of December, please check your junk folder and, if needed, contact <a href="mailto:pmanuel@deltasd.bc.ca">pmanuel@deltasd.bc.ca</a>
- January 27 and 28, 2024 Language Challenge examination dates (See schedule in the attached handbook).
- March 2024 Exam results will be mailed out to students and schools.

Here are links to the Student Application Package and Information Package for Counsellors:

Challenge-Exam-Application-Package-2024v3.pdf







child's eyes, ears and oral health checked.

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### FRASER HEALTH NEWS

## October - Child health screenings: vision, hearing and dental

Make dental, hearing and vision checks part of a healthy routine

Health screenings help find issues early which can make treatment easier and more effective. It's important for your child to have regular eye exams and routine dental checkups. It is also important to recognize any hearing loss early as this is essential for speech and language development. Read on to learn when and how to access services for your child.

#### Dental

Tooth decay is the most common, but preventable, childhood chronic disease. It is important to establish good oral hygiene at a young age and have children's teeth checked by a dentist regularly. To find a local dentist near you who is accepting new patients, visit the BC Dental Association's <u>Find a Dentist database</u>. If you are a member of a low-income family and you do not have extended health coverage, there are several programs that can help you access <u>affordable dentistry for your children</u>. You can also contact the dental program at your <u>local public health unit</u> and ask about resources available in your community.

### Vision

BC Doctors of Optometry recommends children receive their first eye exam when they are six to nine months old with a follow up exam at least once between the ages of two and five and then yearly once they enter school. You can find an optometrist accepting new patients near you at the College of Optometrists of British Columbia's Find an Optometrist database. In B.C., basic eye exams, one per year, are free up to the age of 18. Some optometrists may charge a small user fee of about \$35 per visit so be sure to ask about any fees before you make an appointment.

### Hearing

Good hearing is essential for speech and language development and plays an important part in a child's social and emotional growth. It is important to recognize hearing loss early and seek out testing and treatment if needed. Fraser Health's Public Health community audiologists provide hearing services for children from birth to 19 years of age. If you have a concern about your child's hearing, referrals can be made by a parent or caregiver, a health care provider or education professional to your <u>local public health audiology (hearing) clinic</u>.

Find more information on child health screenings and how to access free vision, hearing and dental exams on Fraser Health's website: <a href="https://ow.ly/oK9z50PegZB">https://ow.ly/oK9z50PegZB</a>







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### **DISTRICT NEWS**

## BC Demographic Survey Helping Identify Systemic Racism

The District is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion and creating compassionate learning communities. We support our community partners in helping promote anti-racism and implementing strategies to help eradicate racism. The province has launched the BC Demographic Survey to help identify systemic racism in government services. The survey is available in 15 languages and takes 15 minutes. We encourage members of our community to complete the survey which closes on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Fill out the survey here. For more information, read more here.

Fair Notice Resource for Students/Families



The Langley School District is committed to a safe and supportive environment for all. Our schools take all threatening comments and behaviours seriously. Our schools follow procedures when responding to threat-making behaviour to help keep students, staff, and the community safe. The following resource <a href="here">here</a> outlines what information students and families need to know in relation to how the District responds to threat-making behaviour in our schools. Everyone has a role in helping keep our students safe. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school administrator.

### PARENTING ADOLESCENTS

I'm reaching out with a request for your support in sharing an email with your network. I am currently organizing an E-Connect parent group, and I believe it could greatly benefit your clientele.

The primary goal of this program is to offer valuable insights, skill development, and much-needed support to parents, all with the aim of strengthening their relationships with their children.

**Program Overview:** The E-Connect program is a structured 10-session manualized program delivered in a group format. It is specifically tailored to parents and caregivers who are facing the unique challenges of







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parenting adolescents. The program focuses on promoting parental reflective function, emotion regulation, sensitive care, and parent-child mutuality and cooperation. It introduces attachment principles that are relevant to adolescence and parenting, offering experiential and emotion-focused role-plays and reflection activities.

# **Key Details for the upcoming E-Connect Group:**

• Start Date: Thursday, October 5th

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PMFormat: Zoom (Online)

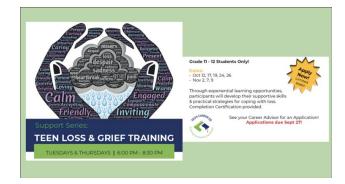
Sessions will be held every Thursday for 10 weeks, providing you with a structured and supportive environment to learn and grow as a caregiver.

Your assistance in spreading the word about this initiative would be greatly appreciated.

Kindly,

## Brenda Lao | Connect Attachment Programs Supervisor

Maples Adolescent Treatment Centre
həyχwət kwθə šxwhəli? leləm (Healing Spirit House)
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**PEACE Group Programming is launching next Tuesday, Oct 3 – 2023 from 5-7pm.** Our program offers a family dinner followed by age appropriate group curriculum for kids ages 3-18. We also offer a safe space for mothers to connect and learn from other services providers in the Langley Community.

Currently we are struggling with registrations.

We know that there is a great need for the PEACE program in our community. I am writing today to ask if you may have a family to refer at this time?

The **PEACE Program** is sponsored by the BC Transition House Society and we are happy to have partnered with them to train facilitators to offer this much needed program at our Family Life Centre. We have been running this program for 2 years now and have been able to host groups in the Fall and Spring.

## The PEACE program supports children and youth to:

- Understand what violence against women is, the impact that violence in the home has on children and youth, that they are not alone, and that the violence is not their fault.
- Identify support networks and develop a safety plan.
- Identify their feelings and express them in healthy ways.
- Recognize their strengths and increase their self-confidence.







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