

Gordon Greenwood Elementary School

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Date	Upcoming Events		
Feb. 7	PAC Hot Lunch (Boston Pizza/Cobs)		
Feb. 10	Pro-D Day (students not in attendance)		
Feb. 14	PAC Treat Day (Gourmet Donuts)		
Feb. 17	Family Day (Schools Closed)		
Feb. 18	Movie Night		
Feb. 19	PAC Meeting		
Feb. 24	Learning Update Prep/Design & Assessment Day (students not in attendance)		

Grade 7 Boys' Basketball Team: Bandit's Basketball Play Day



On Monday, January 27th, our grade 7 boys' basketball team were able to participate in the third year of our Langley School District's Bandits Basketball Play Day. Our team was able to play their two games with our local middle schools, Langley Fundamental Middle and HD Stafford Middle School. What an opportunity to see the progress of our student

athletes and to jump start the season playing with our middle school teams. Our basketball season has a total of 5 regional games in the Walnut Grove Family of Schools and we have 4 more games to go. Thank you for representing our school on and off the court through our GECKO values.

G – Great Leadership

 \mathbf{E} – Empathetic

C – Consistent Effort

K – Kindness to Others

O – Outstanding Achievement

Student Learning Survey 2024/2025

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Early in **2025** the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 4 and 7, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Kindest regards,

Alan Joo

Thankful to be the Principal at Gordon Greenwood Elementary



Dear Parents and Guardians/Caregivers,

The Student Learning Survey (SLS) has been administered every year in B.C. public schools since 2001. Prior to 2016-17 it was known as the Student Satisfaction Survey. The SLS provides feedback on the implementation of the curriculum changes, learning environment, student wellness and satisfaction, student belonging and engagement, and career preparation. The SLS is the only source of province-wide information about students' learning experiences through the perspectives of students, parents, guardians/ caregivers, and school staff. Schools and districts use the SLS to make informed decisions around long-term planning and goal-setting, and in providing individual students personalized support.

The parent and guardian/caregiver survey is now available online and is available in 18 different languages. The survey will be available until Friday, May 2nd, and will take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

Your responses are voluntary and anonymous, and your child will not be identified as a result of your participation in the survey. Any personal or identifying information will be deleted before results are stored. Data will be stored and accessible only within Canada.

To complete the survey:

- 1. Go to any computer that has an up-to-date internet browser access at home, work, or school.
- Go to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat survey/access.htm
- 3. Click on the Parents icon for Direct (logon-free) Access
- District: the name of your child's district
- School: the name of your child's school
- Language: the language of your choice
- 4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question and click "NEXT".
- 5. When you are finished the survey, you will get a message "Thank you for sharing your views".
- 6. Once complete, your school will have the results immediately.

Please contact the web survey provider (AWIS) if you have technical difficulties; call toll free: 1-866-558- 5339 or email support@awinfosys.com. If you have questions about the survey, you can email EDUC.ReportingUnit@gov.bc.ca

We greatly appreciate your input and thank-you in advance for your participation.

Sincerely,

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Fraser Heatlh Online Resource:

It's that time of year when we see a rise in illnesses impacting students and staff in our school. We are hearing from families about colds, respiratory illnesses, and stomach bugs circulating in our community. As a reminder to help keep our school community healthy and well, we are sharing this online resource from our community partner Fraser Health. Here you will find information about protecting your child from communicable diseases and managing their illnesses: https://www.fraserhealth.ca/health-topics-a-to-z/school-health/illness-and-immunizations/illness-in-the-classroom

Social Media Awareness Family Sessions

ERASE will be holding FREE virtual sessions on social media awareness for parents and caregivers. Please share the link below in an upcoming communication with families for them to access these valuable sessions:

https://pages.saferschoolstogether.com/erase-family-session

Generation Health Program- Healthy Lifestyle Program for Kids Ages 8-12

Generation Health is a **FREE 10-week healthy lifestyle program** for children and their families, delivered through YMCA BC and in partnership with the Childhood Healthy Living Foundation. Program participants will meet virtually or in person to learn about healthy eating, physical activity, goal setting, body image, self-esteem and more!

We have 4 program days to choose from: Starting in February on Tuesdays (In Person at the Tong Louie YMCA) or Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays virtually from 6:30-8:30pm. This program requires prior registration through these details: phone 1-888-650-3141 or send an e-mail to **generationhealth@bc.ymca.ca**.

Families who join this program receive a complimentary membership to the YMCA.

Kindergarten Registration 2025

Kindergarten registration across the Langley School District runs January 6, 2025 – February 18, 2025. If your child will be five years old by December 31, 2025, you will be able to register your child online. Information about required documents and instructions is available online and will also be posted on catchment school websites in January. For information, please visit the District webpage **here**. To learn more about Kindergarten in the Langley School District, read our brochure **here**.

Information About School Status During Inclement Weather

Snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in the 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

<u>www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict</u>. 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.

Emergency Preparedness, Power Outages, and School Closures

With storm season upon us, the District is reminding families about procedures during emergencies such as power outages. The District will post important information on school and District websites as well as on social media channels. The District may also send special instructions in emails and text messages (for those that opt-in) via SchoolMessenger. In the event of power outages, schools have an emergency phone line operational. Please avoid calling the school unless it is an emergency as this ties up the phone line.

As per the District's procedures, schools in the District may be closed to students by the Superintendent for weather related emergencies such as power outages or other causes related to health and safety. The decision to close a school due to a power outage is based on many considerations including expected power restoration time, operational emergency lighting, access to water and washrooms, among other factors. As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school (or keep their child at 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. For more information on school status information, read here.

The District thanks students, families and staff for their cooperation during recent power outages impacting schools.

Langley DPAC Parent/Caregiver Education - Langley DPAC is presenting Hannah Beach - Anxious, Aggressive and Shut Down Kids: Practical Strategies for Change Registration is required, Free event. <u>REGISTER HERE</u>



FREE Parent / Caregiver Presentation

Today's children face rising anxiety, aggression, and withdrawal, leaving parents feeling overwhelmed. Kids are isolated, glued to screens, and struggling to connect.

Hannah Beach, award-winning educator and author of Reclaiming Our Students, is dedicated to helping children build emotional resilience through relationship and play. Her work is transforming how we support kids in schools and at home.













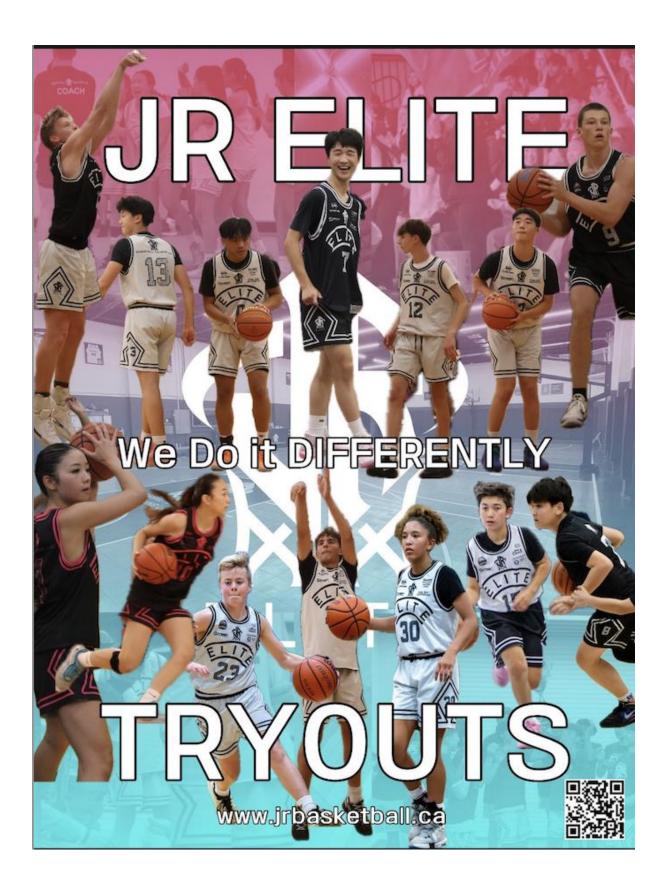




February 2025 Langley MENU – Wednesdays



	Wednesday 02/05	Wednesday 02/12	Wednesday 02/19	Wednesday 02/26
Regular	Beef Meatball Submarine Garden Ranch Salad	Chicken Nuggets Rice Com Plum Sauce Fruit of the Day	Pancakes Turkey Sausage Apple Blueberry Compote Syrup Fruit of the Day	Chicken Burger Tator Tots Fruit
2 nd Choice	Beefaroni Garden Ranch Salad	Breakfast Burrito Hash Brown Triangles Ketchup Fruit of the Day	Macaroni and Cheese Peas and Carrots Fruit of the Day	BBQ Beef Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Corn Fruit
Vegetarian	Veggie Meatball Submarine Garden Ranch Salad	Vegetarian Nuggets Rice Com Plum Sauce Fruit of the Day	Pancakes Yogurt Apple Blueberry Compote Syrup Fruit of the Day	Veggie Burger Tator Tots Fruit
Halal	Halal Beef Meatball Submarine Garden Ranch Salad	Halal Chicken Nuggets Rice Com Plum Sauce Fruit of the Day	Pancakes Yogurt Apple Blueberry Compote Syrup Fruit of the Day	Halal Chicken Burger Tator Tots Fruit





Mar 24th - 27th, 2025 At JR BASKETBALL TRAINING LAB

+ G3 - G5 (Boys & Girls) 10:00am - 1:00pm

+ G6 - G8 (Boys & Girls) 1:30pm - 4:30pm

+ G9 - G12 (Boys & Girls) 5:00pm - 8:00pm

\$249 + GST



Feb 28th \$229 + GST

www.irbasketball.ca

We Do it DIFFERENTLY



SPRING BREAK CAMP

at Walnut Grove Secondary

MARCH 24-28

Grade 4-6 Girls and Boys: 9am-12pm

Grade 7-8 Girls and Boys: 12:30pm-3:30pm

\$175/ player

Camps are run by WGSS coaches Wedan and Goertzen and WGSS players.

Each session will include skill development and gameplay.

Email <u>fraserriversturgeon@gmail.com</u> for information and registration.

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VANCOUVER CANUCKS GAME



While raising money for Grade 7 students at Gordon Greenwood Elementary School

5 different games
3 price points
1 great gift idea!





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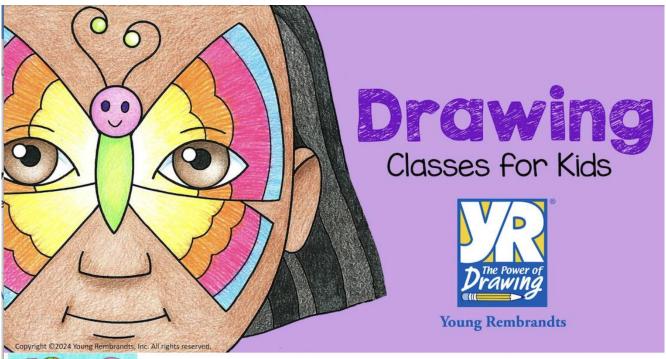


Order between
February 1 and February 28
and every packet you buy will
earn 40% for our school!



You MUST use the fundraising website to place your order. When prompted to select your organization at checkout, you need to choose 'Gordon Greenwood Elementary.'

Use this QR code to shop or this URL: https://fundraising.westcoastseeds.com





AFTERSCHOOL CLASSES AT: **GORDON GREENWOOD ELEM.** WEDNESDAYS IN THE LIBRARY

Young Rembrandts teaches drawing, the fundamental skill of visual arts, to children. We intentionally offer child-friendly and relevant subject matter to spark children's interest and increase knowledge retention. Our classes are fun, engaging and offer children a safe, comfortable place to talk about art, learn drawing skills and have fun while surrounded by creativity and encouragement.



CLASS Dates: Jan. 8 - Mar. 12/25

DAY: Wednesdays

TIME: 2:35 - 3:35 PM

Room: THE SCHOOL Library \$215 for 10 weeks

*PAYMENTS OPTIONS AVAILABLE



Visit our website:

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604-724-7919

artsbc@youngrembrandts.com







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FAMILY MOVIENIGHT

FEATURING THE CLASSIC
TOYSTORY 2



18 February Doors open at 5:15 pm for the concession Movie starts at 5:45 pm Showing in the GGE gym - blankets, chairs and PJs welcome

* Entry by donation *

Concession items for purchase including pizza (for the first hour), popcorn, candy, water and glow sticks - please no outside food



Kids must be accompanied by an adult



Cash only please



Proceeds go toward
Grade 7 camp

PAC NEWS

PAC EXECUTIVE

President - Danielle Chretien ggepac@hotmail.com

Vice President - Rhea Fedorchuk

Treasurer - Justine Trenholm

Secretary - Elaine Happer

Hot Lunch - Margaret Holden ggepachotlunch@hotmail.com

DPAC

Next PAC Meeting – February 19, 6:30 PM in the library

PAC Facebook Link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/252372494939238

Note: Payments made to MunchaLunch will appear as "GORDONGREENWOOD VANCOUVER BC" on your credit card statement. Please do not reject this payment as you could incur more fees.

