

Good afternoon Osler community,

Bollywood Dance!
Leadership Craft Sale
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Report Cards are Coming!
Community News
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Grade 7 Hoot!

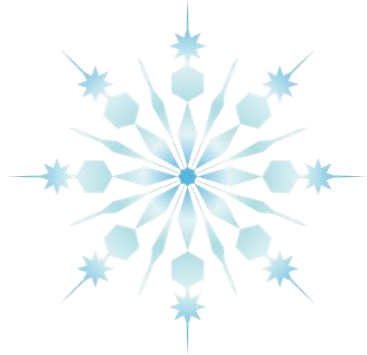


Bollywood Dance

Karima Essa was here this week dancing with our students! The week celebrated dance today with a performance for families. Please check out the link to learn more <https://www.thenorthernview.com/entertainment/bollywood-star-lights-up-lester-centre-stage-6001248> “When you’re on stage, you’re the most vulnerable you can be and in that moment of vulnerability is the most amount of growth, so every time you step out of your comfort zone, you try something new or you just have fun, the light inside of you gets a chance to shine and grow to become the star that you are.” Here are few photos of the day!







Leadership Winter Craft Sale next Tuesday and Thursday

*Come visit the Leadership Winter Craft sale next week!
Osler leadership students have been hard at work creating beautiful hand-crafted items as well as baked goods to sell. Items will cost between \$2-\$5.
The sale will take place in the Owl Alcove across from the library on Tuesday Dec 10th and Thursday Dec 12th after school from 3-3:30PM.
All proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Covenant House supporting youth in need.
See you there!*



OSLER HOLIDAY HAMPERS

WE HAVE OSLER SCHOOL FAMILIES THAT COULD USE SOME EXTRA CHEER!



Please consider an e-transfer contribution for us to provide our fellow Osler families with a grocery gift card each

Doing some baking? We would love to share your sweet or savoury treats



Baked Goods dropped off on **Tues, Dec 17**



Osler School Office



E-Transfer to oslerpgevents@gmail.com



Attention: Report cards are coming.

Got questions? Wondering what the proficiency scale means for your child? Looking for other ways to help your child learn? Join VSB's session for parents/caregivers: Understanding Elementary Report Cards!

When: December 16, 2024, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Where: [Online Information Session](#)

Got questions already? Submit them [here!](#)

Community News

MAGEE MUSIC SOCIETY PRESENTS

SENIORS TEA CONCERT

FRIDAY DECEMBER 13 | 1:30-2:30PM
 please arrive between 1:00 - 1:30PM
 AT 6360 MAPLE STREET

Free event for members of our senior community!
 ♿ wheelchair accessible
 please RSVP by Friday December 6
 email: mageemusicsociety@gmail.com
 call: 604 713 8200

Our Mission

- 1 To provide free mentoring to vulnerable elementary school children who are struggling with basic academics.
- 2 To improve academic skills, self-esteem and attitude to learning in these children through teaching, one-on-one mentoring and group activities.
- 3 To foster volunteerism for young adults and provide a meaningful volunteer experience.



Support Our Mission

Visit our website or <https://www.learningbuddiesnetwork.com/> ways-to-give to learn how you can support the Learning Buddies Network!





Our History

LBN was founded in 2008 by Dr. Alisa Lipson, a Vancouver pediatrician, to meet the needs of students who needed extra support in reading and math and had difficulty accessing tutoring services. Understanding the importance of early intervention, as well as the positive impact of a mentoring relationship with a young adult, we are dedicated to providing free one-on-one reading tutoring for students in Grades 1-5 and math tutoring for students in Grades 3-5. We also create opportunities for leadership development for our volunteers, who provide mentoring services.

Contact

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 CRA Charity Registration Number: 80163714R0001

Learning Buddies Network


Empowering Kids through Reading and Math

Our Programs

WHO?
Our programs are designed for elementary school-aged children that are at least one grade level behind, may struggle with confidence, and aren't able to get extra support elsewhere. Many of our students come from families who are not able to augment the school program with a parent or paid tutoring support. In order to fully support our students without placing an extra financial burden on them, our programs are free.

WHAT?
Each tutoring session typically involves 8-12 pairs of mentors and children, where the children are tutored one-to-one. All participants are together in a group location, such as the school library, a designated meeting room, or online via Zoom. Group activities are included in the tutoring program as well.

An Executive Coordinator and a Program Coordinator, both senior volunteers, are present at all sessions to lead and assist mentors and buddies. Our mentors are trained in the fundamentals of reading and math by our team of BC-certified teachers. Sessions are also frequented by our team of teachers, who assist our mentors with developing their teaching skills and our coordinators with developing their leadership skills.



Testimonials

FROM A VOLUNTEER
 "Learning Buddies Network is an organization that is true to its name. Not only do volunteers help younger children hone their reading and math capabilities, but the volunteers themselves learn so much through the program. Volunteers can improve their leadership, communication, and time management skills and learn valuable lessons."

FROM A PARENT
 "My child's tutors and all staff at Learning Buddies have been so kind, patient, and encouraging, they have worked with her in ways that she is now beginning to see the fun in her school work, and the improvement academically has given her self-confidence. I would like to thank all the staff and tutors who volunteer their own time to support our children."


FROM A TEACHER
 "LBN's presence has benefited many children and parents in our community with security, increased confidence, and hope. These social-emotional factors are foundational for young learners to activate executive functioning processes before academic growth can proceed. My gratitude for LBN runs deep, and I look forward to continuing our connection into the next school year."

Our Programs

READING BUDDIES
Reading Buddies follows a curriculum that incorporates phonemic awareness, phonics, sight words, and reading fluency. It is designed for students working at a grade level of 1-5.


MATH BUDDIES
Math Buddies follows the mathematics scope and sequence, as outlined by the BC curriculum. The program covers math numeracy, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills. It is designed for students working at a grade level of 3-5.

School Districts
We operate primarily in the Lower Mainland, including Vancouver, Richmond, Burnaby, and Surrey. In addition, we offer our programs to remote Indigenous communities across British Columbia.



There are also programs happening at the school!

Monday



STEAM4KIDS

8-WEEK SCIENCE CLUB

@ SIR WILLIAM OSLER ELEMENTARY

The **INVENTORS & INVENTIONS** program offers 8 weeks of exciting hands-on science based activities. Watch fascinating demonstrations, join in enquiry-based discussions, participate in individual & group experiments, and make amazing take-homes. STEAM4Kids will inspire the curiosity and imagination of children with fun science activities that will help them understand the science all around them. Some of the topics that will be covered are below.

Dates: Mondays, January 6, 13, 20 & 27; February 3, 10, & 24; March 3
No Session: February 17 (Family Day)
Time: 3:10pm – 4:10pm
Cost: \$150.00 including tax (8 Sessions)

ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS
Inventing means curiosity! Leonardo da Vinci started as an artist and developed many scientific observations that he recorded in his notebooks over the course of his lifetime. Children learn about his many discoveries and try their hand at his experiments, from writing notes backwards, measuring human proportions, building a self-supporting arch bridge to building catapults.

WHIZ KIDS
Inventing means practicality! Inventions and patents to protect an invention were very popular in the late 1800s. Inventors Alexander Graham Bell, Thomas Edison and Nikola Tesla were locked in several battles over electrical inventions of their era. They talk about sound and learn that anyone, a child, woman or man, can be an inventor. The topic moves from simple devices to Rube Goldberg devices and the children perform as parts of a complex human-machine.

SHIPWRECKED
Inventing means necessity! Archimedes and Benjamin Franklin both created devices to make their society function smoother. Children imagine themselves on a deserted island and they must work together to invent a means for collecting food and water, build shelters, bridges, and learn about density.

THINK FAST
Inventing means cooperation! Orville and Wilbur Wright worked together to develop the first self-controlled motorized flying machine. Their team efforts also lead to improved bicycle pedals and faster sleds. Children review technological advances in flight and work together to produce improved paper plane designs.

To register, please fill out the form @
<https://forms.gle/MpCcW7yiUNBZe4Rj7>

E: osler@swesd.ca

Tuesday



RHYTHM & ART

PRESENTS

CREATIVE FLOW AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

CREATIVE ART (5-8 Y.O.)
WITH VIOLA CHOY
 JANUARY 14 – MARCH 4, 2025
 EVERY TUESDAY FROM 3:15-4:15PM
 This series of workshops will include sketching, drawing, watercolour & acrylic painting, sculpting, as well as mixed media art. Each week, students will explore different art projects using different mediums. Elements and principles of art will also be introduced in each art project.

REGISTER NOW

\$159 (all 8 SESSIONS)



ARTIST MASTERMIND (9-12 Y.O.)
WITH VIOLA CHOY
 JANUARY 16 – MARCH 6, 2025
 EVERY THURSDAY FROM 3:15-4:15PM
 This series of workshops heavily focus on illustrating, watercolour & acrylic painting. Each week, students will explore different illustrating techniques using different mediums. Students will learn how to shade with form, value, and contrast in each art project. Different painting techniques will also be covered in this class.

REGISTER NOW

\$155 (8 SESSIONS)



BREAKING | HIP HOP (7-11 Y.O.)
WITH JHAYMEE HIZON (NOW OR NEVER CREW)
 JANUARY 10 – MARCH 14, 2025
 NO CLASSES ON JAN 24 & FEB 14
 EVERY FRIDAY FROM 3-4PM
 This series of workshops will include different hip hop and breaking foundation and techniques. Each week, students will be introduced to new dance moves and be challenged to create their own body movements. Students will also learn how to freestyle to the music.

REGISTER NOW

\$155 (8 SESSIONS)



www.rhythmart.com | rhythmartprogram@gmail.com

Wednesday

CREATIVE BOARDGAMERS @ OSLER (GR 4-7)

Calling all game lovers! Let's design, create, and write your own boardgame! In this program, students will:

- ✓ be encouraged to think creatively to plan, design, and construct a board game from start to finish
- ✓ gain writing practice (e.g. writing to explain the rules, to describe the game, and to persuade others to play)
- ✓ apply and reinforce collaborative learning and project based learning skills
- ✓ develop positive habits that will help build time management and organization skills and to become strong thinkers, planners, and writers.

Winter Term 2025
Wednesdays
January 15 - March 5
3:10-4:10 pm
8 sessions
\$208 +gst

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

www.readytosetgoals.com

Along with other after school programming from the VSB Community Schools Team that will be in a later letter.

Hoot Store

Enter the Raffle Draw for a Luxurious Treat!

Get ready to be pampered! Join our raffle for a chance to win a luxurious gift basket from [Helmet Salon](http://www.helmet.com), brimming with premium hair care and beauty products from renowned brands such as La Biothetique, Duo, OPI, Blinc, Olaplex and DAVIDs Tea. Indulge yourself with top-notch treatments and savor a delightful cup of DAVIDs Tea, all from the comfort of your home.

Prize Valued Over \$460.00!

Tickets are available online **now until Sunday, December 15th**:

- 2 tickets for \$5
- 5 tickets for \$10

Purchase your tickets at thehootcornerstore.square.site for your chance to win!

The lucky winner will be contacted on **Monday, December 16th**, with details on how to claim their fabulous prize.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to relax and be pampered. Enter now and treat yourself to a well-deserved indulgence. Good luck, everyone!

Prize is generously donated by:



[CLICK HERE TO ENTER NOW](#)

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NOW UNTIL SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

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VISIT OUR ONLINE STORE FOR MORE INFORMATION

THE HOOT CORNER STORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW PRODUCT ALERT!

AVAILABLE AT THE CORNER STORE OR ONLINE

HANDCRAFTED BY GR 7 COMMITTEE

DOUBLE CHOCOLATE COOKIE MIX KIT | MAKES 8 COOKIES

HOT CHOCOLATE KIT | SINGLE SERVING

Hot chocolate with marshmallows and chocolate dipped apples with sprinkles.

THEHOOTCORNERSTORE.SQUARE.SITE

If you missed the sushi boxes at last week's corner store, we have exciting news! The sushi boxes will be available again next week **on December 4th only at the Alcove, across from the library, from 3-3:30 PM. Don't wait—they sell out fast!** These yummy sushi boxes are generously provided by Toku Japanese Restaurant at Lansdowne Centre.

TOKU.CA

Send a cookie gram!

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE CORNER STORE OR ONLINE

Chocolate Chip Cookies provided by **BREKA BAKERY & CAFE** BREKA.CA

Order forms will be sent home on Monday. If you would like to send a cookie gram, please complete and return the form along with cash payment to your child's teacher by **December 9th, 2024**.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! -OSLER GRADE 7 COMMITTEE

Enjoy the weekend.

Rosemary Thomas
Principal at Osler

Practicing our division

