



LIVINGSTONE
ELEMENTARY

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With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh | (Squamish) and səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh)

April 2025 Newsletter

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Trustee: Preeti Faridkot

Director of Instruction: Janis Myers
Superintendent: Helen McGregor

PAC Chair, Caroline Provost PAC & Vice Chair, Sheila Louis

Dear Livingstone Families,

April 2025

We are all looking forward to the warmer weather and enjoying more time outside with students at Livingstone. Here are some updates of school events:

Class Photo Day

April 15th, 2025 this will start at 9:00am beginning with primary students and will likely continue until lunchtime. We hope all our students will be able to join us.

Badminton

Thank you to Ms. Jennifer Korchinski for coaching our badminton team with grade 6/7 students this year. They have gotten off to a great start with their first set of games last week.

Track and Field: registration soon

WE are still sorting out sponsors for Track and Field at the school. Keep a look out for Track and Field permission forms. We will also be seeking parent volunteers to coach during practices and to drive to mini meets at Vancouver Technical Secondary School. We will be asking for volunteers to help us.

Welcome to Kindergarten by Invitation will be held on Thursday March 22, 2025

Sports Day: May 30th

We will be inviting families to come and watch our sports day activities at Prince Edward Park and Livingstone School on Friday **May 30th**. More information will be sent to families later in May. We usually begin at 9:10am and continue to lunchtime. We then gather for grade group events and cheers until late in the afternoon.

Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony, Tuesday June 24, morning

The date for this at Livingstone school is being held for Thursday June 20th. More information will be sent out to families later in May. We usually hold this event in the morning (10:30-12:00) and send home invitations to families in June. We usually offer 3 invitations for each family.

Thank you for your kindness and support. Our team is so grateful for all the contributions from our families.
Sincerely,

Sharon Vieira, Principal, David Livingstone Elementary School
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Library News

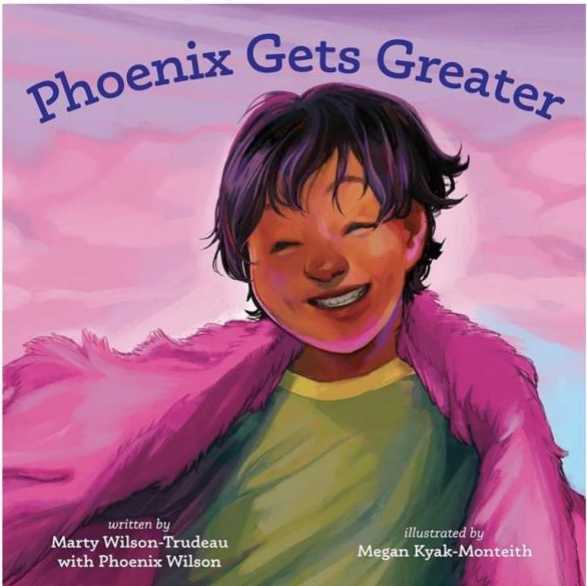


Just as the cherry trees are bursting into blossom in Vancouver, our library is flourishing with new books and deep learning.

In March we added these much-needed non-fiction resources to our collection.



Our Ramadan and Eid books were popular throughout the school and each class enjoyed Moon's Ramadan by Natasha Khan Kazi.



After Spring Break we honoured International Transgender Day of Visibility with a school-wide reading of Phoenix Gets Greater, written by a mother and Two Spirit son from the Anishinaabe Nation.



Students who observe Ramadan and celebrate Eid shared their experiences and family traditions.

Summer Learning At the VSB

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5211/summer-learning>

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SUMMER LEARNING 2025



ELEMENTARY PROGRAM REGISTRATION Begins April 23, 2025 at noon	SECONDARY PROGRAM REGISTRATION Begins April 30, 2025 at noon
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The 2025 VSB Summer Learning Program

REGISTRATION for the 2025 Summer Learning Program is currently CLOSED for all programs.

- Registration for Elementary Programs will:
 - open on **Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at noon (12:00 PM)** and will
 - close on **Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 11:59 PM.**

Program Schedule:

- Elementary Program: July 3 to July 18, 2025

Livingstone Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) News:

Happy spring from your PAC Exec team:

Your Voice Counts! Please Complete a Quick PAC Survey

As your PAC Exec, our mandate is to be your advocate. Please take two minutes to answer our survey, helping us to determine what areas you'd like our time and money to focus on to finish up this year, and for next year.

<https://bit.ly/3G1MzNN>

Special PAC Guest Speaker from grit

Join us at the April PAC meeting for a special guest speaker, as well as a special vote to rebuild our school garden. ***Please RSVP by 8PM on April 14***, so we can arrange for seating, food and bevies:

<https://form.jotform.com/250816621050043>

The meeting runs 630-815PM on April 16.

About our guest speaker: grit for parents

Alix Dunham is a certified mindfulness facilitator and mental health advocate. If the goal is to raise kids who are stable, resilient and emotionally intelligent, we need to show them how to manage their emotions in a healthy way. In Grit for Parents, we explore the development of kids' brains, the neuro-science of calm, and the concept of self-regulation through co-regulation. Join us for an interactive workshop where we'll dive deep in a light-hearted, accessible way into growing healthy brains capable of riding the emotional wave.

Joining online? Details below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86189731960?pwd=PYiKRjwJBPUjScCL0rqxS2VhW92zzt.1>

Meeting ID: 861 8973 1960

Passcode: 226848

Give a Gift that Grows! Plant Orders Due April 15

Place your orders for flowers, garden-ready veg, soil, strawberries, herbs and more. School pick up will be Saturday, May 3:

<https://davidlivingstone.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

Movie Night: WALL-E

Join us on April 25 for family movie night, featuring WALL-E! As usual, the grade 7 grad committee will be selling pizza, drinks and more available for pre-order. Get your tickets (and treats) before we sell out:

<https://munchalunch.com/login>

Bottle Drive April 26

Please save up your refundable empties for the grade 7 bottle drive, 1-4PM at the school. If you can't wait, visit a Return-It location and mention customer ID 604-713-4983.

Grade 7 Fundraising Swag

The Livingstone "swag shop" is OPEN! A local business, Make Vancouver, is putting the student art on tote bags, t-shirts, mugs. This is a fundraiser for the grade 7 camp. 50% of sales go directly to Livingstone Grade 7's fundraising for their year end graduation field trip to Camp Jubilee. The hope is to raise at least half of the \$445 camp fee per student.

Show your love for our school!

<https://www.makevancouver.com/pages/livingstone-elementary-school-shop>

Contact Us

As always, we love to hear from you. You can reach out to us via [email](#), on [Facebook](#), in person, or check out our [PAC website](#).

April 2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 PAC Mtg 6:30pm hybrid	17 Immunization Gr.6 and KF	18 Good Friday School Closed	19
20	21 Easter Monday School Closed	22	23 Student led conferences 2:00pm early dismissal	24 Student led conferences 2:00pm early dismissal	25 5:30-7:30 PAC movie night	26 Grade 7 bottle drive at school 1-4pm
27	28 Professional Development Day No school for students	29	30			

May 2025						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				01	02 Grade 7 Tupper Tour, 1:30-2:30pm	03
04	05	06	07	08	09	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Victoria Day School Closed	20	21	22 9:45am On our Way to Kindergarten By Invitation	23 Walk a thon PAC event 1:10pm	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Sports Day More info to come!	31