

With deep gratitude and respect, we are honoured to be learning and unlearning on the ancestral and unceded lands of the x̱w̱məθḵw̱əy̱əm (Musqueam), S̱ḵwx̱w̱ú7mesh | (Squamish) and sə̱lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh)

February 2024 Newsletter

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Black History Month



Lunar New Year

Explore Black History as a family: here are some links to great resources for you to view:

Black History in Canada, resources

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month.html>

City of Vancouver links on Black History Month

<https://vancouver.ca/people-programs/black-history-month.aspx#:~:text=Black%20history%20in%20Vancouver&text=In%201858%2C%20nearly%20800%20free,o,vercoming%20intense%20discrimination%20and%20adversity.>

Hogan's Alley Vancouver and BC Black History

<https://placethatmatter.ca/location/hogans-alley/>

Black History Awareness Society

<https://bcblackhistory.ca/>

Dear Livingstone Families,

Please join our students and staff in celebrating Black History month, Lunar New Year and Pink Day this month and as we reignite our passion to care for each other in our beautifully diverse community.

Thank you to all our families for your encouragement and feedback as it supports our ability to increase student success, engagement, and excitement in learning.

Sincerely,

Sharon Vieira

Principal, David Livingstone Elementary School

If you would like to apply to a **different** Vancouver School (other than Livingstone) for September 2024 you can apply as a cross boundary student please visit the link below:

<https://www.vsb.bc.ca/page/5198/cross-boundary-application>

Students in the Vancouver School District are allowed to register at a school outside of their catchment area as a **cross boundary applicant**. Cross boundary applications will only be considered after all in-catchment students have been accommodated.

How to Apply Cross Boundary:

Step 1: You MUST register at your [English Catchment School](#) BEFORE submitting a cross boundary application.

Step 2: [Complete an online Cross Boundary Application form](#)

Step 3: Th

e school will inform you of the status of your application by: March 31

IMPORTANT DATES	OPENS	CLOSES
CROSS BOUNDARY APPLICATION PERIOD No late or early applications will be accepted	First school day of February	Last school day of February

Priority categories for cross boundary applicants are:

- 1st: **Non-catchment student with a sibling concurrently attending the same program** – has a sibling that will be concurrently attending the same location, in the same program
- 2nd: **Non-catchment student** (Daycare) - A student resident in the School District enrolled in child care within the catchment (applies to Kindergarten - Grade 7 only)
- 3rd: **Non-catchment student** – A student that is a resident within the District
- 4th: **Non-District student** – A British Columbian resident who does not reside in the Vancouver School District

Please note that the online Cross-Boundary Application form is for English program cross-boundary applications only. French Immersion cross-boundary applications are submitted directly to French Immersion school offices.

If you have questions, we encourage you to contact your catchment school principal.

A Message from the Livingstone Parent Advisory Committee

The next PAC meeting is on Wednesday February 21st at 7:00pm in the school library and on Zoom. **Grade 7 babysitters** will be available as well in the room next to the library watching a movie with children.

Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86881300430?pwd=NERDcXdPa2RNQWtCa2E4aHQrUnBvZz09>

Meeting ID: 868 8130 0430

Passcode: 283387

Meeting Document links

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XV1BUo-rCZZR8TgjUeY7lmLttW0CtRE2CeVm2DQmubE/edit?usp=sharing>

Thank you to all the parents that Danced Through the Decades this weekend! It was a great evening of dressing up and dancing the night away! We raised over \$8,000 for our school community while having a great time! Many thanks for our volunteers for the evening that helped the evening go smoothly.

A Special Thanks to our Generous Sponsors for the Evening!

- * Broadstreet HEOR
- * Newell Cotton TheGoTeam.ca, Real Estate / Dexter Realty
- * Karley Rice PREC MacDonald Realty
- * Moody Ales

On Wednesday February 28th

we are asking students to wear pink to school.

Every day our staff find opportunities to have conversations with students about the power of kindness, inclusion and the importance of asking for help to care for each other. At David Livingstone we are joining in the celebration of Pink Shirt Day. We want our students to recognize the importance of asking for help when they see others being treated unkindly. We are also having deeper conversations about how to tell others to stop when they are being unkind and to ask an adult for help if the behaviour continues or students don't feel safe asserting their right to feel safe, proud and respected.



Entrepreneur Fair 2024

- This year Divisions 1, 2, and 3 will be taking part in an entrepreneur fair. The market will be **held on February 8th and 9th**. All of the classes in the school will have a chance to visit the fair in our gym on these days to purchase items. If you are able to send money with your child to school the staff are asking for \$1/\$2 coins or \$5 bills as the largest denominations (so we can make the appropriate change). All of our students have seen advertising posters around our school and are excited about the event.
- We will open the fair up to families on **Friday February 9th from 1:00-2:00pm**. 2:00-3:03pm we will be cleaning up the gym.

February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Entrepreneur Fair Div.1/2/3	9 Entrepreneur Fair Div.1/2/3	10 Lunar New Year Begins
11	12	13	14 Student Led conferences 2:00pm Early Dismissal	15 Student Led conferences 2:00pm Early Dismissal	16 Pro D Day No school for Students	17
18	19 ♥ Family Day School Closed ♥ ♥	20	21 7pm PAC meeting In library and on Zoom Babysitting is available too	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Report Cards Home	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
spring break 						
25	26	27	28	29	April 1	April 2
spring break 						