

École Laura Secord Elementary

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November 3

Upcoming Events

November 7

PAC Family Portrait Night

How Ravens Stole the Sun Production

November 10

Remembrance Day Assembly

Raven Appreciation Day

November 13

No School in lieu of Remembrance Day

November 21

Kutapira (World Music Percussion)

November 24

Pro D Day: No Students
Indigenous Focus Day for Staff

Weekly Family Update



Dear Secord Families,

It has been an exciting week at school once again! We would like to wish an amazing season for Laura Secord's volleyball teams.

This year we have one junior boy's team, two junior girl's teams, two senior boy's teams and three senior girl's teams. Bravo and thank you to all of our amazing teacher - coaches.

Kindergarten hearing tests and follow up student testing will take place this year on November 29 and 30. If you would like to have your student tested please fill out the attached form in this email and send to secord@vsb.bc.ca or drop off in the main office.

Laura Secord Talent Show



Our talented students are gearing up to take center stage and showcase their incredible skills and creativity. There will be an announcement made in school for the auditions that will take place during lunch recess from Monday, November 20 to Thursday, November 23. Students will sign up outside of room 211 during the week of November 14 and prepare a 1-3 minute act to demonstrate their talents. The talent show will be presented during an assembly at school for students and staff during the month of December. Thank you for supporting your child/children for this exciting event!

2023 Poinsettia Garden Fundraiser

In support for Secord's garden, we are pleased to offer beautiful poinsettias grown by Windsor Greenhouse in Abbotsford (order form is attached). The poinsettia is also known as Flor de Noche Buena to Mexicans or cuetlaxochitl (ket-la-sho-she) to the Nahuatl people. The plant is indigenous to Mexico and Central America and can be kept year after year as they are a tropical houseplant whose beauty is the result of bracts (persistent coloured leaves) instead of flowers. The deadline for ordering is **November 28, 2023** and pick up is scheduled for December 8.



Special Days in November

A graphic for National Indigenous Veterans Day. It features a dark background with a large, vibrant red poppy flower on the right side. The text "NATIONAL INDIGENOUS VETERANS DAY" is written in white, uppercase letters, with "NOVEMBER 8" below it in a smaller font.

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS
VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 8

Indigenous Veterans Day: November 8 is a day to recognize and acknowledge the many contributions and sacrifices of Indigenous people not only to Canada's war efforts but to its peacekeeping reputation.

Diwali: Diwali is a festival of lights and one of the major festivals celebrated by Hindus, Buddhists, Jains, and Sikhs. The festival begins on November 12 this year, and usually lasts five days.





Laura Secord Spirit Wear

Get your Laura Secord Spirit Wear! Online store is now open for you to order your house t-shirt (Wolves, Ravens, Grizzlies or Orcas), athletic wear or Laura Secord hoodie. Show your school spirit - order by November 16. Clothing will arrive at the school prior to Winter Break.

<https://www.paddlevancouver.ca/collections/laura-secord-elementary-school>



Grad Hoodies

Grade 7's - order your Grad Hoodie by November 10 for delivery before Winter Break.

[Laura Secord Grad 2024 Store](#)



Kindergarten Registration

Applying for kindergarten is a 2-step process:

Step 1: Online Application (ApplyNow)

- Completion of an online application form (<https://applynow.vsb.bc.ca/>) for the school year 2024-25

Step 2: Verification of documentation

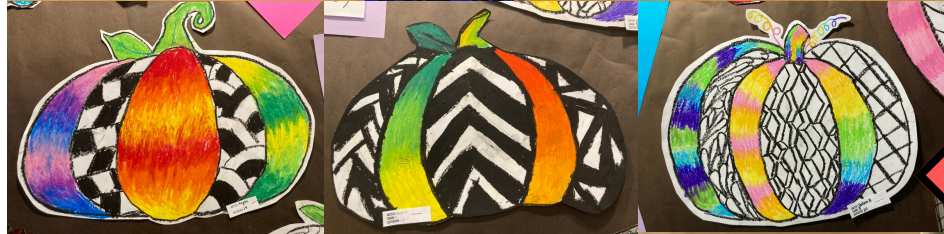
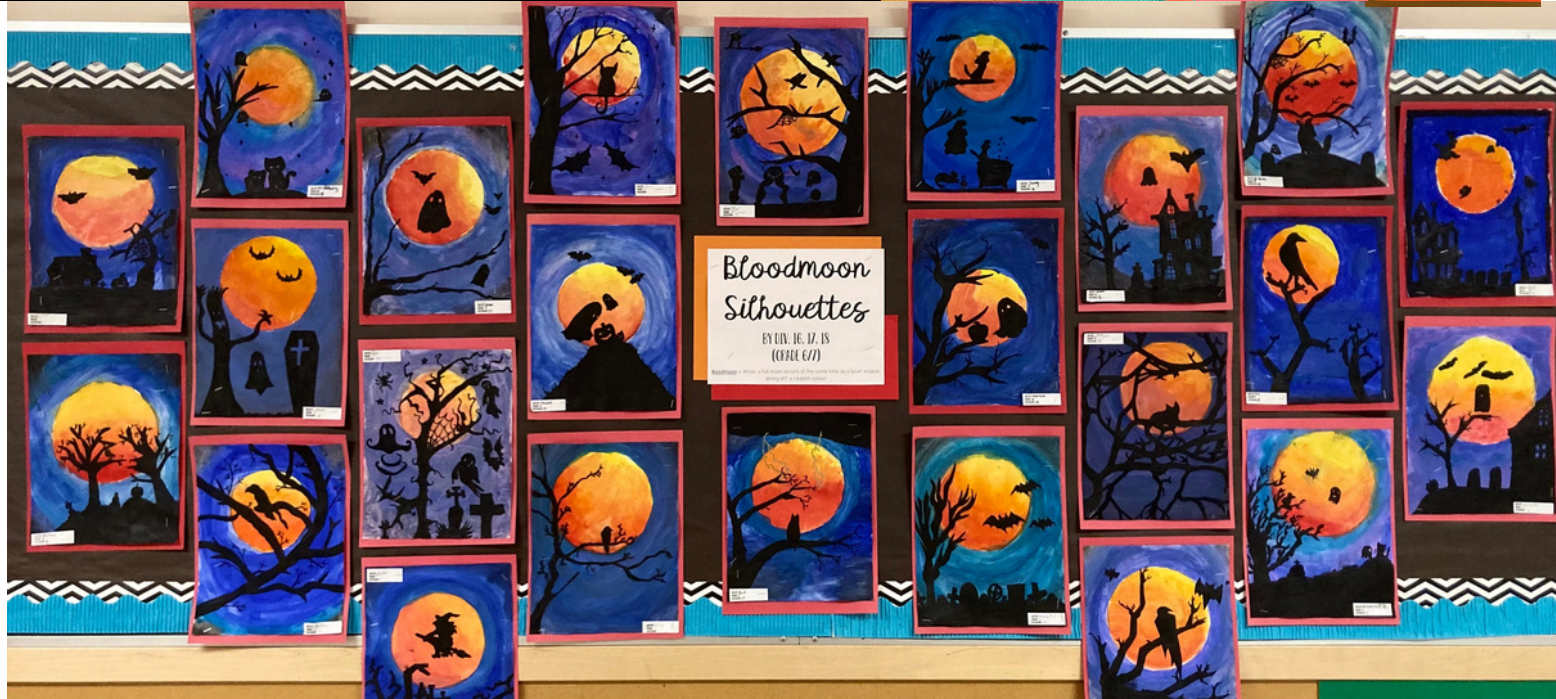
- Contact your English catchment school office to set up an appointment to bring your supporting documentation
- Bring supporting documentation to your English catchment school office during your scheduled appointment

PRIORITY
KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION
NOV 1 - JAN 31

Register when your child is **4** online at govsb.ca/kindergarten or contact your catchment school for more information

Second Art Walk

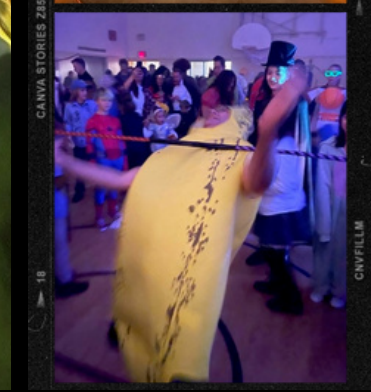
Mr. Turner, Ms. Biln, Ms. Garneau- Div 16, 17, & 18



Ms. Brown & Mr. Coe- Div 19, 20



Secord PAC Halloween Dance



PAC News

Please visit our [PAC Website](#) for all fundraising and events at Secord!



Looking for that perfect holiday gift? Fulfill all those gift giving needs while supporting your kid's school and a Canadian company.

With every purchase, Purdys gives the school 25% of the proceeds which goes into our PAC general funds. As an incentive, the top 5 sellers will receive a prize and the top intermediate and top primary class will earn themselves a pizza party.

[Purdys 2023 Holiday Campaign](#) | [Laura Secord PAC](#)

Thursday, November 16 will be our first Sushi hot lunch. Ordering closes on Thursday, November 9. Please go to secord.hotlunches.net to check out the menu and place your orders.

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