

L'ÉCOLE BILINGUE

Monday, March 31, 2025

Evelyn Harcus, Principal Alice Jungclaus, Vice-Principal Christopher Wong, Director of Instruction

Newsletter #14

Dear LEB Families,

We hope you had a delightful spring break and enjoyed some fun family time. We are thrilled to welcome your children back for the third term of learning.

This week, our physical education classes have taken on a whimsical twist with the introduction of circus skills. Students will have the opportunity to explore juggling, walking on stilts, and simulating tightrope walking. Be sure to ask your child about their experiences and newfound aspirations to join the circus!

As we embrace the spring season, we hope families take the time to enjoy the blossoming flowers and trees and practice mindfulness while appreciating the outdoors. In April, we look forward to introducing French yoga and continuing our mindfulness (SEL) journey.

Stay well and stay connected.

Kind regards,

Evelyn Harcus, Principal & Alice Jungclaus, Vice-Principal

LEB Spirit Wear - Grade 6 Camp Fundraiser

A reminder that we are selling Spirit Wear as a fundraiser to offset the cost of Grade 6 camp. **The website is still live. Orders will be accepted until Friday April 4th.** We will have sample sizes available in the office this week. Here is a link to the website if you are interested in placing an order: <u>https://www.beastvan.com/lebspirit</u>

Proceeds will help offset the costs of camp and transportation for our Grade 6 students. A big thank you to Chris Sharples who has created a beautiful design for our new line of clothing which includes hoodies, t-shirts, full-zip sweaters and umbrellas.



If you have any questions regarding orders, please email Mme Katie at <u>kfabian@vsb.bc.ca</u>.

Thanks, The Grade 6 Teaching Team Reminder: Monday April 7th **Class Photos &** School Panorama





Begins April 23, 2025 at noon SECONDARY PROGRAM REGISTRATION Begins April 30, 2025 at noon

VSB Summer Learning 2025

Program registration begins April 23, 2025, at noon.

Traffic: Pick up and Drop off

With the support of our PAC and community partners, including the Vancouver Police Department, community policing, ICBC and the City of Vancouver, we continue to strive for a safer traffic situation during pick-up and drop-off times.

Please be reminded that outside supervision begins at 8:40 am, allowing you to drop off your children before 9 am. This can help alleviate the congestion typically experienced at the 9 am drop-off. Additionally, consider parking a few blocks away and walking to school with your children. This provides an opportunity for some exercise and quality conversation to start the day.

Please be aware that VPD traffic officers and/or parking enforcement from the City of Vancouver may occasionally visit our site to issue warnings or tickets. We kindly ask you to adhere to the posted parking signs and be respectful of our neighbors. Merci!

Our school is collaborating with the City of Vancouver on the Safe School Streets initiative to enhance our pick-up and drop-off procedures. Soon, you will notice updated parking signage on Spruce Street between 14th and 15th to facilitate drop-offs. Also, in time, new crosswalks will be installed at Alder and 15th, as well as Alder and 14th, along with potential curb bulges to improve pedestrian visibility and slow down vehicle traffic. Please refer to the attached information for more details about Safe School Streets, which will be implemented in May. This includes information about Wednesday afternoon play streets, where 14th Avenue will be closed to pedestrian-only traffic on Wednesdays throughout May. **Families- please be reminded that the staff parking lot is for staff parking and parents are asked NOT to park in the lot or to use the lot for drop-off. Thank you.**

We are continually striving to improve the pick-up and drop-off experience and are exploring the idea of a 'walking school bus' with a potential drop-off at Shaughnessy Park. If you are interested in participating in this initiative or would like to get involved, please reach out to the PAC.

SAFE ARRIVAL - How to notify the school

If your child will be **<u>absent from school</u>** or **<u>arriving late</u>**, please inform the office by contacting the Safe Arrival line before 9am:

Safe Arrival email: lec-safearrival@vsb.bc.ca (You can CC your classroom teacher!)

Safe Arrival phone: 604-713-4585 (CHOOSE OPTION 1 to reach the Safe Arrival Line)

2025 IMPORTANT DATES

Monday April 7: Class Photos and School Panorama

Friday April 18: Good Friday – No school

Monday April 21: Easter Monday – No school

Monday April 28: Pro-D day – No school for students

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PURDY`S FUNDRAISER

Ordering & Pick-up Information

A reminder that the **ordering window for ordering Purdy's Easter chocolates is still open until Friday April 4th.**

You can pick up your chocolate order on **Thursday, April 10th from just before 3pm until 6pm in the main lobby of the school**.

Please reach out to Karla at <u>fundraising@lebpac.ca</u> with the name on the order and the contents of the order. **If you don't email Karla your order will be sent home with your child**. If you can't make it April 10th to pick-up and would still like to order, please email Karla and she'd be happy to make arrangements.

Thank again so much to everyone for supporting our fundraisers, they really make a difference!

EVANS LAKE FAMILY CAMP

Evans Lake Family Camp is on for 2025! Camp will be held on Saturday, August 30 -September 1 and registration opens Thursday, April 17th at 7pm! Mark your calendars for August 30 - September 1 for the Evans Lake Family Camp.

Families of students who attend L'École Bilingue have been privately organizing a Family Camp opportunity prior to the start of the school year at Evans Lake Forestry Camp each Labor Day long weekend for almost 40 years! This is not a school or PAC sponsored event. It is an

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opportunity for families to come together for a private group camp opportunity organized by interested parents. It is a great opportunity to get to know other families while enjoying the great outdoors. Evans Lake can accommodate just over 120 people (more than last year). School-age children (those entering Kindergarten through Grade Seven) stay in cabins with counsellors. Parents and small children camp in tents. All meals are prepared by Evans Lake staff. The camp is participatory with parents assisting with some duties.

Plan to arrive by 10AM on Saturday and stay until Monday around 11AM.

Evans Lake Forestry camp costs have increased by about 30% so costs per person will be about \$295 for the weekend.

Any questions? Visit https://lebpac.ca/evans-lake

EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Registration is still open for the SPRING SESSION after school activities.

April to June 2025 Extracurricular Programs								
	Monday*	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday				
Gym/ Gravel field	Vancouver Ultimate League Gravel Field Grades 5-7 Time: 3:15- 4:45 p.m. Fee: \$200 (8 sessions) Dates: April 7 to June 16 *No sessions on 4/21, 4/28 & 5/19. Registration link Contact: misfit@vul.ca		<i>JR Tennis</i> <i>Gym</i> Ages 6-9 Time: 3:05-4:35pm (Group of 8) Fee: \$330 + tax (10 sessions) Dates: April 9 - June 11 <u>Registration link</u> Contact: Rilan rilanjrtennis@gmail.com	RBL Basketball Gym Grades 4-6 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. \$160+ tax (6 sessions) April 24 to May 29 Registration link Contact: Leland Chung leland@rblbasketball.co m				
Music Room #166	WIZE Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning Grades 3-7 Dates: May 5 - June 23 (NO CLASS MAY 19) Time: 3-4:30pm Fee: \$260 + tax Registration Link Contact: Namrata Sood namrata.sood@wizeacademy .com	Lights Up Musical Theatre- Magical School Bus Grades K to 7 3:00-5:15 PM \$365+ GST (9 sessions) April 8 - June 3 Registration Link Contact: Billie Murphy billie@lightsuptheatre. ca	WIZE Scratch JrCoding, & Animation Grades 1-2 Dates: April 23 - June 18 (9 sessions) Time: 3-4:30 pm Fee: \$300 + tax (+\$25 one time annual fee) <u>Registration link</u> Contact: Namrata Sood <u>namrata.sood@wizeacademy.c</u> <u>om</u>	Clay Crafting 101 Grades 3-7 3:00 - 4:30pm \$200+ GST (10 sessions) April 10 to June 12 <u>Registration Link</u> Contact: <u>Syama</u> <u>Montenegro</u> clayjolie.arts@gmail.co m				

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LUNCH TIME. Music Room #166		VEMS Junior Choir Grades K-3 Lunch time \$120+ GST (10 sessions) April 15 to June 17 Registration link Contact: president@vems.ca		VEMS Senior Choir Grades 4-7 Lunch time \$120+ GST (10 sessions) April 17 to June 19 Registration link Contact: president@vems.ca
* No classes on Pro-D holidays (April 21, Apri				

Please remember that these programs are not school-sanctioned nor supervised by the PAC or by L'Ecole Bilingue staff. The instructors rent school space from the VSB Rentals Department and are fully responsible for the supervision of the students. Please ensure your child knows exactly where and when to go (or be there to help on the first day of the program).

Below is an example of a craft created in Clay Crafting 101. Join today!



