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L'ÉCOLE BILINGUE

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Newsletter #15

Dear LEB Families,

We hope you are enjoying these blooming spring days! Here is a photo montage of the latest Dream Circus workshops and a mystery spirit week for staff. We love where we work and we love where we learn! Enjoy!

We have lots to look forward to as we move further into this third term – grade four and grade seven camp coming up at the end of this month, spirit days (upcoming "Dress as your favourite book character on Thursday April 17th), community assemblies and more field trips and on-site learning opportunities such as drama workshops, yoga and more.

Kind Regards,

Evelyn Harcus, Principal & Alice Jungclaus, Vice-Principal























The LEB Staff held a SECRET SPIRIT WEEK that saw personnel donning denim on demin, all black, wacky Wednesday, socks and sandals, and bringing 'anything but a water bottle'. Did your child figure out the daily themes?







A big félicitations (congratulations) to Owen Chan and Mirza Chhina for representing L'École Bilingue at the district Concours D'art Oratoire Competition at Gladstone Secondary last week. Owen came in second place and Mirza came in first place and will represent the Vancouver School District at the provincial competition in May. Bonne chance Mirza!

Merci to Nathalie Zeoli for sponsoring the Art Oratoire club at our school. All of the participants of Art Oratoire will soon be celebrating their achievements with a small celebration with Nathalie later this month and we'll be sure to share a photo of our concours participants then too.

Gauss Math Contest – for all interested Intermediate students

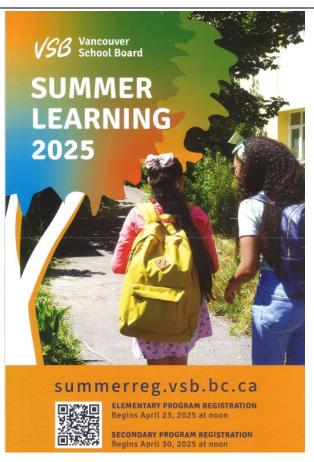
L'École Bilingue will again be participating in the Gauss Math Contest! Participation costs approximately \$6 and the contest will be written in May. We will be practicing Thursdays at long recess in the library. Any interested students are asked to come see Mme. Alison. More details on the contest can be found here:

https://www.cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/gauss.html "

LEB Yearbook wants your photos!

Your photos from field trips, sports, around the playground, and special occasions at the school will make our yearbook better. The deadline for submitting photos for events and activities that happened before spring break is Tuesday April 22, 2025. You can email them to us at yearbook@lebpac.ca AND you can now upload your photos directly to the secure Varsity system at: https://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/?code=lecolebilingue

Order your yearbook now on School Cash Online for \$25 - price increases May 1st!



VSB Summer Learning 2025

Program registration begins April 23, 2025, at noon.



We are very excited to announce that L'École Bilingue will have a team in the RBC Race for the Kids on Sunday, June 8th at 9AM!

This wonderful event is held annually as a part of the BC Children's Hospital Miracle Weekend Telethon and raises funds for childhood cancer research and treatment areas in addition to mental health programs at BC Children's Hospital. Chances are many of us have been touched by the **lifesaving** care of Children's Hospital.

This year's event will take place on **Sunday, June 8**th **at 9:00 a.m.** in Vancouver / Riley Park. It is a fantastic family event, where participants run or walk a 2 km or 5 km Fun Run, followed by a carnival for the kids including live music, face painting, crafts, games, and fresh fruits and veggies.

- Register your family at https://fundraise.bcchf.ca/fundraisers/lcolebilingue
- Our goal is to recruit team members (as many people who wish to participate) including students/parents/siblings/others and to raise 10 000\$ (goal). Let's work together to make this happen!
- If you cannot participate in the race you can donate to the **L'École Bilingue** team by visiting the site https://fundraise.bcchf.ca/fundraisers/lcolebilingue

Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause, and hopefully we will see you on Sunday, June 8th!

Janine Dobry, L'École Bilingue Team captain jdobry@vsb.bc.ca

More information will follow regarding the training sessions before the race.

Winter Art Show

Please be reminded to come pick up your art pieces from the tables in the front foyer. There is still lots of art that is yet to be taken home. Merci.

Afterschool Play

With the beautiful weather we are experiencing, we know that many families are preferring to stay after school to play. A reminder to all parents/guardians to please be watchful of their children after school hours since it has been brought to the attention of the administration that there have been some small problems that have arisen. Thank you for your support with this.

Student Learning Survey 2024/2025

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective. Early in 2025 the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades four and seven, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff.

We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included. The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the Results section. The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact the school at 604-713-4585.

Student Learning Survey - Province of British Columbia

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 phone: 604-713-4585

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

Please remember to state the STUDENT'S FULL NAME.

Dress for the weather

Students are expected to be outside during our two recesses, therefore, please ensure that your child is coming to school dressed to play outside. With the beautiful sunshine we are experiencing these days, please consider sun hats and sunscreen.

Punctuality

A friendly reminder to all that **school starts at 9:00am** and we would like to emphasize the importance of punctuality. Arriving at school on time is crucial as it sets a positive tone for the day and helps establish good habits that will benefit our students throughout their lives. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring our students start their day together with their class, ready to learn and succeed!

2025 IMPORTANT DATES

Friday April 18 - Good Friday - no school

Monday April 21 - Easter Monday - no school

Monday April 28- Pro-D day - no school for students

Wednesday May 7 and Thursday May 8 – Early dismissal at 2pm for informal learning updates

LEB PAC NEWS

HOT LUNCHES

For this session we are trialing a change to the ordering structure to allow for more flexibility for parents. Yay! $\stackrel{\text{ce}}{=}$

- Sushi 👟 will be open EVERY week from Sunday at midnight until Thursday at midnight. 🔯
- Pizza 🍕 will be open EVERY week from Thursday at midnight until Sunday at midnight. 💆

DIRECT DONATIONS

Most of our funds are raised through direct donation, an annual voluntary contribution. The suggested amount is \$100 per child. This allows us to significantly reduce the number of small fundraisers and retain only those that are efficient and contribute to our community. All donations are eligible for an income tax receipt.

PURDYS FUNDRAISER

Huge thank you from the PAC and Grade 6 parents to everyone that ordered Purdy's Chocolate. We appreciate you including us in your holiday shopping. We raised \$1300 towards the trip. Shout out to Div 3 for placing the most orders.

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 Labour Day long weekend for almost 40 years! This is not a school or PAC sponsored event. It is an 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 or contact lebevanslake@gmail.com



Evans Lake - LEB PAC

Evans Lake. Come join other L'École Bilingue families for our annual Family Camp at Evans Lake over the Labour Day long weekend!. This year's camp takes place Labour Day weekend, August 31–September 2, 2024. Plan to arrive by 10 am on Saturday (programming will start promptly!) and stay until Monday around 11 am. lebpac.ca