



L'ÉCOLE BILINGUE

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Newsletter #17

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Dear LEB Families,

May has been a wonderfully busy and engaging month at L'École Bilingue! This month, Track and Field season kicked off. Also, we had our annual Talent Show, which highlighted the impressive skills and creativity of many of our students.



Our Grade 7 students enjoyed an unforgettable three-day trip to Camp Jubilee, creating lasting final memories of their elementary years. Upon their return, they continued their learning by culminating their passion projects with an exposition. This week, students in Divisions 1 and 2 also participated in HUB Bike workshops, including a group road ride.



Last Friday, our Grade 5 students travelled to Victoria for a full and exciting day. They toured the Parliament Buildings, visited the Royal BC Museum, and challenged themselves at the Malahat SkyWalk. Many wrapped up the day with a well-deserved treat on the ferry ride home.





Yesterday, we welcomed Ocean Wise to our gym, where they set up their Sea Dome experience. Students learned about global conservation efforts and ways to protect and restore our oceans.



Today, we were delighted to welcome our incoming Kindergarten students and their families for our “On Our Way to Kindergarten” event. We look forward to welcoming this new group of learners in September 2026.

As we move into June, we are beginning to see some of the excitement that comes with this time of year. We kindly encourage students to remain focused and engaged as we approach the final month of learning.

A reminder to families that Term 3 summative reports will be shared digitally. Please ensure you have accepted your invitation to Spaces so you can access your child’s final report for the school year.

Warm regards,

Evelyn Harcus, Principal
Louise Plante, Vice-Principal

Sports Day Helpers Needed

Sports day will be held on **Friday June 12th** this year. This fun event cannot run without the help of some parent volunteers. If you can volunteer your time to help us run some of the stations, please sign up on the google doc and indicate your availability. If you are interested in volunteering to help supervise your child’s class – then please reach out to the classroom teacher. If you have any questions, please reach out to Laura at loswin@vsb.bc.ca

[Sports Day adult volunteers - June 12, 2026 - Google Sheets](#)

CLASS PLACEMENT INPUT

During the month of June, staff will be working on school organization and class placements for the upcoming year. Teachers will meet to thoughtfully create class lists for September 2026.

If there is important information you would like us to consider regarding your child’s placement—particularly details about their learning profile and the type of learning environment in which they are most successful—please contact Mme. Harcus at eharcus@vsb.bc.ca before Friday June 5th. Please note that we are unable to accommodate requests for specific teachers or preferences regarding combined (split) classes.

We ask families to trust and respect teachers’ professional judgment when placing students for the next school year. When developing class lists, teachers carefully consider a range of factors, including student relationships, individual learning needs, and whether a student has previously been in a combined class.

For more information about combined classes in the VSB, please refer to the link below.
Merci! [Combined \(split\) classes](#)

Safe School Streets

L'École Bilingue has had a great first two weeks of the program and Safe School Streets will continue until Friday, June 5th.

Times: Weekdays 8:40 am to 9:10am, and from 2:45pm to 3:30pm. Play streets – Wednesdays 3-4pm.

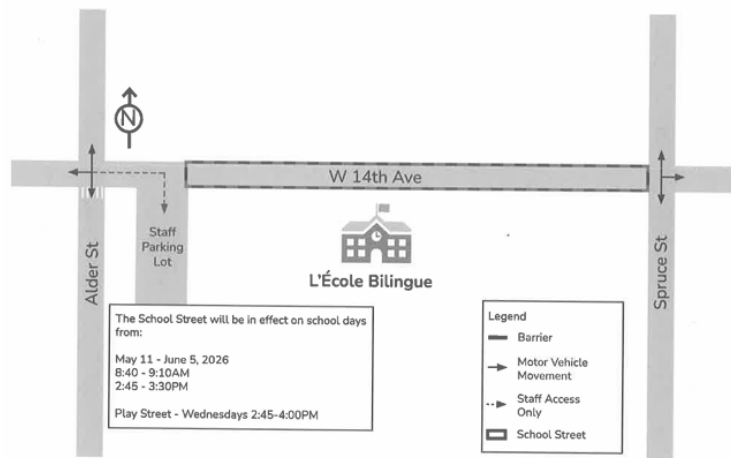
Please enjoy some of these photos of our first couple of Safe School Streets at LEB:



Please see the map below for streets closures. Thank you for your support and helping to encourage active transport: walking, biking, and rolling to school and encouraging play outside!

Also please note that we continue to encourage families to move in a clockwise direction around our school moving westward along 15th Avenue. 15th Avenue is very narrow and if most of our school traffic can travel in one direction, that will help to alleviate the congestion. Thank you for your support with this.

L'École Bilingue - School Streets Diagram



Bike to School Week

The annual Bike to School week is happening June 1 to 5! This year for students who travel to school actively (bike, walk, scoot, etc.) we will be providing daily morning snacks and entry to a raffle for one of three \$25 gift cards to Velo Star Bike Café. We will also have a bike pump, chain lube and rags if you need a quick mini tune-up!

What to Expect

A parent-volunteer will be stationed on the picnic table next to the bike racks on the W. 14th side of the school starting at 8:40am. Every day your child actively travels to school they are welcome to a snack, a raffle entry and a sticker to place on the school's tracking poster. The bike bus will be running Monday to Friday and will arrive at the school around 8:50am.

Bike Bus

The BIKE BUS will be running every day the week of June 1st-5th.

Meeting points will be:

- **START:** Gray's Park at 33rd & Windsor @ 8:15 am (Meet at the Basketball Courts) and then turning on 31st. (Matt will be leading the start)
- **STOP 1:** Riley Park at 30th & Ontario @ 8:25 am (Northwest Corner of the park). We'll continue down Ontario until 17th.
- **STOP 2:** Ontario & 18th @ 8:35 am (Meet by the big chess board). We'll turn onto 17th.
- **STOP 3:** Heather & 14th @ 8:45 am, we'll be taking over 14th street until we hit LEB.

*Please arrive a few minutes early if possible, and pull up off the road onto the sidewalk until the bike bus arrives. The bus may arrive earlier or later. We'll always wait if we arrive earlier! (And apologies if we arrive later...!)

WHO: All parents and children!
We ask parents with younger kids to ride along with us.

HOW: Just show up with your bike, a helmet, and a big smile.

QUESTIONS: Email or call alexander.matt1@gmail.com or 778 847-1579



Grade 7 Camp was a blast!

Here are some photo highlights.





Lost and Found Reminder

We kindly encourage all families to regularly check the school's Lost and Found for any missing items. Our collection tends to grow quickly, and at the end of each month, unclaimed items are donated to make space.

When possible, our supervision aides do their best to organize the area and help return items to their owners. However, we ask families to take an active role in checking the Lost and Found, as the school cannot be responsible for lost belongings. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping keep our Lost and Found manageable.

LEB PAC NEWS

PAC Updates - Subscribe!

The school newsletter shares official school information only. Updates from the LEB Parent Advisory Council (PAC) - such as early notice of lunch and after-school programs, PAC-led events and initiatives, volunteer and fundraising opportunities, and how PAC funds support LEB students come through the PAC bi-weekly newsletter.

Subscribe at <https://lebpac.ca/newsletter> so you don't miss out on important updates. Join other LEB families and stay in the loop. Questions? Contact the PAC at hello@lebpac.ca.

Important Dates:

Friday June 12 – Sports Day (Grades 1-7)

Thursday June 18 – Grade 7 Dance

Tuesday June 23 – Summary of Learning goes home

Tuesday June 23 – Grade 7 Leaving Ceremony 1:30pm start

Thursday June 25 – Last day of school for students