

OUR VSB

L'ECOLE BILINGUE Friday, September 15, 2023

Jacquie Lavoie, Principal Alice Jungclaus, Vice-Principal Christopher Wong, Director of Instruction

Newsletter #3

Dear L'École Bilingue families,

We are pleased to share that we experienced a very smooth start-up thanks to everyone's support! Staff and students were very happy that we were able to move into our new classes this week. Staff worked extremely hard on class placements and do take a great deal of time ensuring that students are placed in the best possible learning environment. We thank you for your support in this matter and do appreciate that our professional judgment is respected.

Students are nicely settling into their new routines and the curriculum is being rolled out. Our enrollment is at 402 students with 17 divisions. Our organization for 2023-2024 is as follows:

Division 1	Gr 6/7	Sonia Schenkel
Division 2	Gr 6/7	Katie Fabian
Division 3	Gr 6/7	Brianne Fenrich
Division 4	Gr 5/6	Alison St-Pierre (M, T, W) Nathalie Zeoli (Th, F)
Division 5	Gr 5	Teghan McDonald
Division 6	Gr 4/5	Laura Oswin
Division 7	Gr 3/4	Olivier Salvas
Division 8	Gr 3	Catherine Pilotte
Division 9	Gr 3	Karli Dionne (M, T, W) Suzanne Carry (Th, F)
Division 10	Gr 2	Danyon Knapper
Division 11	Gr 2	Gabrielle Horrocks-Denis
Division 12	Gr 2	Janine Dobry
Division 13	Gr 1	Guillaume Robert
Division 14	Gr 1	Pierre-Luc Blain
Division 15	Gr 1	Tania Danilovic
Division 16	Gr K	Charlotta Prigent
Division 17	Gr K	Matthew McBride

You can view the complete staff list on our school website at L'École Bilingue Staff

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Welcome Back BBQ! It's going to be a fantastic community building event.

Warm regards, Mme Lavoie & Mme Jungclaus

WELCOME BACK BBQ

The **Welcome Back BBQ** at LEB is on **Thursday, September 21st from 5:00-7:30pm** (rain or shine). This is an amazing community building event for our students and families to meet new families and reconnect with familiar faces.

This year there is going to be a TubeSteak BBQ, freezies, popcorn, DJ Rock n' Beau Dance Party, movie room, musical cakes, minor games, raffles, bubbles, and customized LEB temporary tattoos. Please join us for one of the most fun evenings of the school year!

- MunchaLunch : is now OPEN and closes on Tues. Sept. 19 at 10:00pm
 - Buy single hotdogs and combos (vegetarian and gluten-free options available).
 - Buy your Tickets on MunchaLunch

One ticket for each:_

- Freezies
- Popcorn
- Temporary tattoos
- Musical Cakes
- Raffles
- MunchaLunch orders (envelopes with tickets) will be handed out in classes for your child to take home the day of the event.
- Last minute orders and tickets can be purchased the night of the event; however, it is strongly encouraged to buy on MunchaLunch in advance. Cards and cash will both be accepted.
- **Cakes needed:** Please dust off your baking supplies to help us make cakes for the most anticipated event of the year! We are hoping to receive many cake donations to make this activity a huge success for all the students.
 - **Cake Drop Off:** Please bring your cakes before or after school on Thurs. Sept. 21 in the foyer.
 - Bring cakes on disposable plates with NO nuts and label if it is dairy or gluten free.

• Volunteers Needed:

- If any parents can volunteer for a shift to help, make our night a success it would be greatly appreciated. The ability for activities to run is dependent on parent volunteers. Thank you in advance for your support.
- Please sign up in the Google Doc. Attached. Please note there are multiple pages/tabs at the bottom of the doc. to be able to see all the available shifts.
- <u>https://docs.google.com/file/d/1kCV-4T0-</u> jxtNPwNi3L08YZdYE5J8xje8/edit?usp=docslist_api&filetype=msexcel

Munchalunch is Live at L'Ecole Bilingue!

For those of you that are new to the school, Munchalunch is the website that we use at LEB to order and collect money for school events and our hot lunch programs.

Parents, please sign into your account at <u>http://munchalunch.com.</u> If you do not have an account, you will have an opportunity to create one from this landing page.

You will be prompted to set up your child(s) Division and teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. Please ensure that you have your child's Class Division and Teacher are correct.

Also ensure that you have correct email and credit card information attached to your account. This can be done by reviewing the "My Account" section.

PLEASE NOTE there is a NEW PAYMENT CLOCK which requires all orders to be paid for within the Munchalunch site within 1 HOUR. If payment is not received the order will be cancelled and you will get an email notification.

Our lunch programs and Welcome back BBQ are coming up, so keep an eye out for those emails coming from the PAC. If you have not yet signed up for the PAC emails, they can be found at <u>https://lebpac.ca/</u> to sign up for mailing lists.

Welcome Back everyone!

TERRY FOX RUN

L'Ecole Bilingue Elementary is proud to be participating in the Terry Fox School Run. Students and staff will be participating in the run on Thursday, September 21st.

Please join us and continue the legacy of one of our greatest Canadian heroes. Donate at: <u>https://schools.terryfox.ca/EcoleBilingueElementary.</u>

Thank you for joining us in the fight against cancer! #terryfoxschoolrun @theterryfoxfoundation

MEET THE TEACHER

Most classroom teachers will be hosting a Meet the Teacher evening on Thursday, September 28th, where you will not only meet your child's new teacher, but hear about their program, routines, expectations and lots more about your new class. This evening is for parents only. If your teacher has selected a different date, you will be hearing directly from them.

We will be offering two sessions, for parents who may have more than one child in our school. Your teacher will share with you their session times.

A big thank you to our enrolling teachers for preparing this important time with you.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

We're excited to announce that starting in late September after-school programs including tennis, art, and musical theatre will take place at the school. PLEASE note that these programs are not school sanctioned nor supervised by L'Ecole Bilingue staff. The instructors rent our school space from the VSB Rentals Department and are fully responsible for the supervision of the students.

For a list of these programs (including registration links) please visit the PAC Programs page at <u>https://lebpac.ca/programs</u>. For any questions, please contact after-school program coordinators Rose Lo or Allison Suter at <u>programs@lebpac.ca</u>.

Carrots! Blueberries! Pears! Oh My!!

The fruit and vegetable program starts the last week of September! For those of you who aren't familiar, every spring our school applies to the *BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation* to have fresh fruit and veggies from local farmers delivered to our school once or twice a month.

We are looking **for parent volunteers to help wash and sort produce** into bins for each division **once a month on Wednesdays**. This is a low-key volunteer gig with the <u>fabulous</u> perk of getting to meet other parents in the school community. We typically need 4-5 people per shift, once or twice a month from 9:15-10:30ish. If we get lots of volunteers, you may only need to come in 2-3 times in the school year.

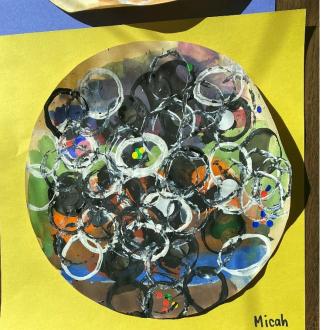
If you are interested, please email Lesley right away at lesleyturenne@gmail.com

HAPPY INTERNATIONAL DOT DAY

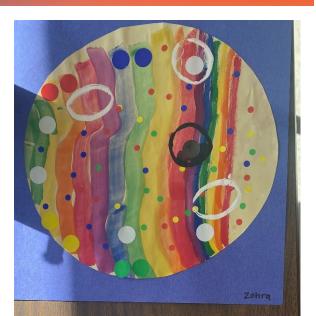
International Dot Day is a global celebration of creativity, courage and collaboration, which began with the sharing of the book "The Dot" on September 15, 2009. "The Dot" is the story of a student who is brave enough to trust in their abilities by making a small mark, which becomes a breakthrough in confidence and courage.

At L'Ecole Bilingue, many classes celebrated Dot Day today, by reading the book and participating in very creative art projects. Below are a few examples!

9/15/23











9/15/23



9/15/23





IMPORTANT DATES

• THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21- TERRY FOX RUN - 1:30 PM - WELCOME BACK BBQ- 5:00-7:30 PM

- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY NO SCHOOL
 - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 MEET THE TEACHER
 - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 ORANGE SHIRT DAY
- MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 DAY IN LIEU OF NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION NO SCHOOL