



L'ÉCOLE BILINGUE

Friday, May 31, 2024

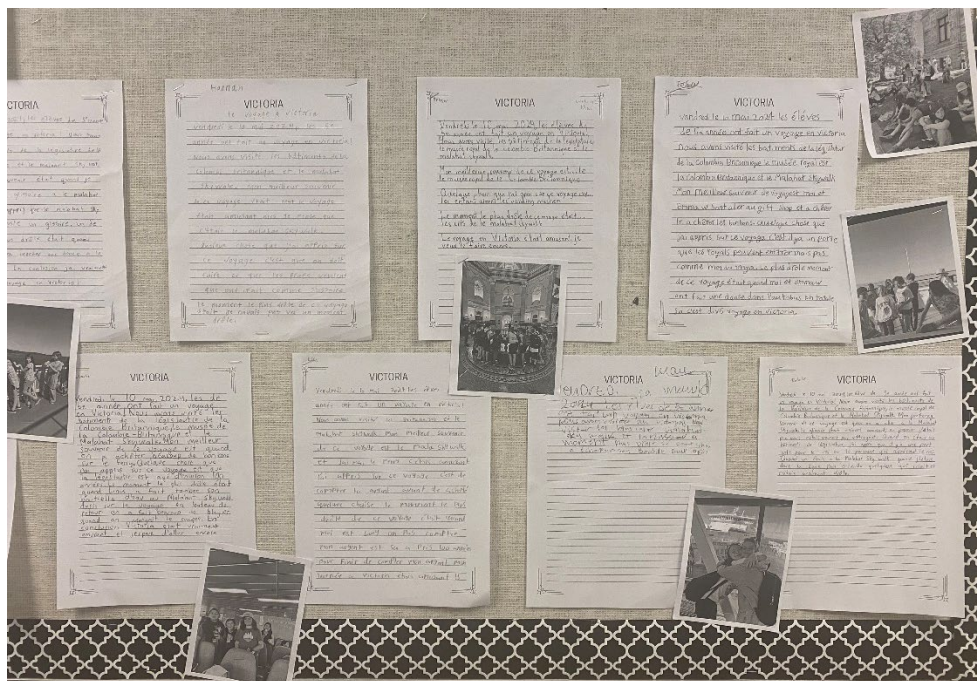
Newsletter #30

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

Dear L'École Bilingue families,

Our students are so fortunate to participate in many enriching Field Studies, to further enhance and extend the rich learning that takes place in the classroom.

For example, on Friday, May 10th, all of our Grade 5 students, along with Mme Laura, Mme Teghan, Mme Nathalie and parents Lynn, Chris and Marcel, participated in a day trip to Victoria, where they visited the Parliament Building, the BC Royal Museum and The Malahat Skywalk. Not only was it a fun trip, but it was also a meaningful extension to their unit on parliament studied in Social Studies. Thank you also to parents whose fundraising efforts made this trip possible.



Our Grade 6 students also had a memorable experience with their peers, when they had the opportunity to go camping for three days this week at Golden Ears Campground. Despite the wet and gloomy weather, the students learned many skills and the importance of teamwork, when they worked together to put up their tents, make meals

to share and participate in team building activities. Many important life skills were acquired during these hands-on experiences. A big thank you to Mme Alison, M. Emmett, Mme Katie and the many, many parents for your time, work, and support to ensure a successful trip. (Photos in next week's newsletter)

Such events would not be possible without the collaborative efforts of staff and parents, which makes L'École Bilingue such a special learning environment for our students.

Please see the L'École Bilingue school calendar and district calendar for 2024-2025 attached. An updated Bell Schedule is below.

Warm regards,
Mme Lavoie, Principal &
Mme Jungclaus, Vice-Principal

NEW BELL SCHEDULE FOR 2024-2025

9:00 am – School Start
10:30-10:50 am – Recess
12:10-12:55 pm – Lunch
2:58 pm – Dismissal

CLASS PLACEMENT INPUT

During June, staff will be working on our organization and class placements for next year. Teachers will be meeting to create draft class lists for September 2024. Should you have any critical information that needs to be shared about your child and their placement, please contact Mme Lavoie at jlavoie@vsb.bc.ca. Please note that if your email contains a request or comment regarding a specific teacher, we will not be able to accommodate your request. We ask parents to respect teachers' professional judgment when placing your child in the next grade.

NOTICE OF LATE RETURN FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

If your family will be returning late in September, please ask Mme Christine in the office for a late return form. We continue to have students on our waitlist, so we wouldn't want to fill your spot if you are returning late and have not alerted us. The completed form will ensure that your spot is held.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER



- Please report student absence/late arrival **before 9am**
- Safe Arrival Phone Line: **604-713-4585 Press #1**
- Safe Arrival Email (**Office**): lec-safearrival@vsb.bc.ca
- If you email your child's teacher, please copy (C.C.) the office

TRACK AND FIELD FINAL

The District Final Meet will be held on **Thursday June 6** at Swangard Stadium (3883 Imperial Street, Burnaby).

A reminder to **organize transportation for your child to and from the Stadium** either by driving them yourself or through carpooling that **you** coordinate.

IMPORTANT: if you will be driving other students and have not yet, in this current school year, signed a Volunteer Driver Registration Form, you must do so BEFORE Thursday as Mme Christine and Mme Lavoie will not be on site early enough to provide you one on the day of. Please bring a copy of your driver's license and vehicle insurance to the office, where we will provide you with the driver's form.

We will **NOT** meet at L'École Bilingue the morning of the Final but instead at the Stadium. Everyone should be in the Stadium stands by 8:40 am at the latest as events begin at 9:00 am. All students need to check in with me as soon as they arrive and are asked to sit together where the L'École Bilingue banner will be set.

Please ensure that your child:

- has their water bottle, healthy snacks and lunch (school pizza will not be delivered)
- is dressed appropriately as we will spend the full day outside (sunscreen, hats, etc.)
- has their L'École Bilingue jersey and runners (no cleats allowed)
- can bring a book, cards, (but NO electronics) for the possible wait between events

If you know your child will be absent, please send me an email so I can replace their events.

Students can leave early if they have completed all their competitions BUT need to sign out with me before doing so.

Parents should pick up their child no later than 2:40 pm (meet us in the stands).

Please remind your child that our last practice is Monday at 8:00 am and that we will have two lunch hour meetings: on Monday to distribute jerseys and on Wednesday to give important information about the Final.

Looking forward to a great Track & Field Final!

Abheeru Ricard, mricard@vsb.bc.ca

RBC RACE FOR THE KIDS

**RBC Race for the Kids / Fundraising
Event: Friday, June 7th, 2:50 - 3:20 PM**



Some of our participating students will be walking among families outside with donation boxes for the final fundraising effort. Please continue to support this important initiative! Any amount will be greatly appreciated!

Information for Participating Families: Tuesday, June 4th will be our last practice, along with t-shirt and bib pickup. All families should have received an email with information regarding the race. If you did not receive an email, please reach out to us:
Janine Dobry : jdobry@vsb.bc.ca

SPORTS DAY

Our Sports Day will take place on **Friday June 14**. We are still asking for help on the day with running some of the stations. Many grade 7s will be running some as well but like last year, we will still need some parent help to make sure things run smoothly. We can use help for the morning, the afternoon or the whole day so please indicate on the document when you can help. Any questions please email Mme Laura: loswin@vsb.bc.ca

If you can help, please indicate on the [attached document HERE](#).

GARDEN YEAR END MARKET

The Garden Year End Market is June 12th, 2:45-3:30! Students from Mme Alison's class will be working with EarthBites to host the market, raising funds for the school garden. They will be selling Potted plants and flowers; Harvested greens, veggies, fresh herbs; Dried herbs; Seeds; Honey sticks; A tasty drink.

Visit us at the picnic tables, on the west side of school and help support food growing at our school! We accept cash, debit and credit purchases.

PARENTS: If your child is in Mme Alison's class and you would like to volunteer for the market, please contact Mme Alison directly: adstpierre@vsb.bc.ca. No gardening experience necessary!

LEB SCHOOL COMMUNITY ART SHOW

As we approach the date of our inaugural **School Community Art Show**, we want to thank you for your enthusiasm and support! We're excited to see the amazing artwork your children have created.

Event Details:

- Dates: Friday, June 5th to Friday, June 19th
- Location: Display in L'École Bilingue Foyer/Hall

We look forward to a vibrant exhibition and celebrating the creativity of our students!

Pierre-Luc and Oli



PAC NEWS

SCHOOL STREETS SURVEY

The City of Vancouver is requesting that all families take a few minutes to complete a short survey about the School Streets program taking place at our school from May 6th to May 31st.

School Streets aim to improve safety outside schools, reduce air pollution and encourage children to walk, bike or roll more often. Your feedback will help us determine to what extent the School Streets program met these goals.

Complete this survey **by June 9, 2024** and you'll have the opportunity to be entered for a chance to **win one of three \$50 JJ Bean gift card**. Please fill out **one survey per family**.

PARENT SURVEY: <https://survey.vancouver.ca/s3/School-Streets-2024-Parents-Survey-L-Ecole-Bilingue>

BIKE TO SCHOOL WEEK IS HERE!

WHAT: Bike to school week is next week, from June 3rd to June 7!!! Bike, walk or roll to school! We'll be having our LEB BIKE BUS, along with a couple of "Biker's Breakfast" with treats and coffee and tea. We're looking for a couple of volunteers who can help set up and take down. And anyone who can help be a ride marshal for the bike bus. [Sign up here](#)

WHERE: The BIKER'S BREAKFAST will take place at the school on 15th Ave side of the school. The BIKE BUS will start out at St. George & 31st. Navdeep (in this email) will be meeting there. There will be a multiple pick up points along the way.

WHEN: The Biker's Breakfast will be on MONDAY and WEDNESDAY, with frozen treats on FRIDAY!

The BIKE BUS meeting points will be:

START: St. George & 31st @ 8:15 am, and then turning on 18th. (Navdeep will be leading the start)

STOP 1: Ontario & 18th @ 8:25-ish am (Meet by the big chess board.) We'll continue down 18th until we hit Heather.

STOP 2: Heather & 18th @ 8:35 am (by the tennis courts, Enoch will be waiting here). We'll continue down Heather and turn onto 13th...

STOP 3: Willow & 13th @ 8:40 am (by the VGH playground, there won't be a parent waiting here, but it will be a pickup point). And from 13th, we'll turn back up on 14th 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 apologize if we arrive later...!)

WHO: All parents and children! We'd 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 Enoch at enochlam@me.com or 778 881 1712

IMPORTANT DATES

- **MONDAY, JUNE 3 TO FRIDAY, JUNE 7:**
 - **GRADE 7 CAMP**
 - **ARTIST IN RESIDENCE DRUMMING PROGRAM FOR ALL STUDENTS WITH FINALE PERFORMANCE ON FRIDAY AT 2:00 PM**
- **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 – INCOMING PRINCIPAL MME HARCUS TO VISIT**
- **THURSDAY, JUNE 6:**
 - **TRACK & FIELD FINAL**
 - **PAC MEETING 7:00 PM IN THE LIBRARY**
- **FRIDAY, JUNE 7 – WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN EVENT FOR OUR NEW K FAMILIES**