



OUR VSB

L'ÉCOLE BILINGUE

Friday, October 6, 2023

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Newsletter #5

Dear L'École Bilingue families,

The staff would like to thank all parents for coming to our Meet the Teacher meetings. We hope that you found this time with your child's teacher helpful in fostering the important teacher-parent relationship.

Thank you to our staff for preparing their presentations for parents, so that you have all the necessary information regarding your child's classroom and program this year.

Thank you to our classes for their powerful messages and artwork on the topic of Truth and Reconciliation. Last week, classes at L'École Bilingue participated in age-appropriate discussions, read books, and created artwork in honour of those impacted by the residential school system and we will continue this important work throughout the year.



To those celebrating Thanksgiving this weekend, we wish you a memorable gathering with your loved ones!

With gratitude,
Mme Lavoie & Mme Jungclaus

PAC NEWS

Stay tuned for the schedule of upcoming PAC meetings for the year, which will be held in-person at the school in the library. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

PAC is looking for members to join the executive for this year, as well as the following positions: **Halloween Haunt lead and volunteers (Halloween Haunt is scheduled for Friday, October 27th)**, DPAC representative, Bike to School Week/School Streets Lead. If you are interested in volunteering, please email chair@lebpac.ca

SUSHI LUNCH TUESDAYS - starting October 10th

Great volunteering opportunity!

This program raises money for Grade 7 special events therefore is being run by grade 7 students and led by grade 7 parents.

Parents volunteers are needed for 35 minutes to help deliver sushi lunch on Tuesdays from 12:40-13:15.

<https://signup.com/go/FHfXYcB>

PIZZA ORDERING IS NOW OPEN!

Order cutoff is Oct 20. Pizza day is Thursday.

Parent volunteers can sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/dJcVfui>

PLAY ITEMS FROM HOME

Students are asked not to bring Pokémon, Yu-Gi-Oh, etc. cards to school, as we cannot be responsible for lost or stolen cards. Students may bring balls to play with outside at recess but please ensure your child's name is on the ball.

Direct Donation is open!

Please visit [the PAC website](#) to donate. Direct donation is an annual, voluntary, confidential contribution with a suggested amount per child (\$100) that allows us to significantly reduce the number of small fundraisers undertaken and retain only those that are efficient and significant in return for the hours invested as well as those that contribute to our community. The more funds we receive through direct donation the less we will have to fundraise to support programs and the fewer donation solicitations parents will receive throughout the year. Direct donation is also a great way for parents to contribute to school activities who are unable to make time for volunteering during the school day.

PAC "Fresh to You" Fundraiser - Local Produce Bundles for Sale

Support our school and provide your family with healthy, affordable, quality produce bundles from local growers & producers! This new fundraiser run by the *BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation* has two pre-selected harvest veggie bundles to choose from at \$25 and \$30. Order as many as you like for a one-time delivery in November (delivery dates to be confirmed). This initiative will support Grade 7 graduating class activities, with students providing assistance with veggie bundle sorting!

Orders are open on [Muncha-Lunch](#): **Friday, October 6th - Tuesday, October 17th**

Bundle #1 for \$25: 5lb Red Beets, 5lb Pacific Premium Small Potatoes, 3lb Carrots, 3lb Yellow Onions

Bundle #2 for \$30: 5lb Red Beets, 5lb Pacific Premium Small Potatoes, , 3lb Carrots, 1lb Parsnips, 283g Shallots



See the [BCAICF](#) website for more details.

VSB: After the Bell, podcast season 2 dropped last week!

Kicking off season 2 of [VSB: After the Bell](#), we take a deep dive into VSB's first Literacy Framework – what literacy is, what the framework does and what it means for student learning. In our matter-of-the-month segment, we turn our attention to Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) in the wake of recent anti-SOGI protests and talk about why SOGI education is still important today. Podcast episodes are released at the end of every month. Subscribe to **VSB: After the Bell** on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#) or wherever you listen to podcasts!

IMPORTANT DATES

- MONDAY, OCTOBER 9 – THANKSGIVING - NO SCHOOL
 - MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 – **PHOTO DAY!**
 - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO SCHOOL
 - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25 - GOAL SETTING CONFERENCES - 2:00 PM DISMISSAL - after school Tennis Program begins at 2:00 pm
 - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 - GOAL SETTING CONFERENCES - 2:00 PM DISMISSAL - after school Young Rembrandts Program begins at 2:00 pm
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