



# L'ÉCOLE BILINGUE

Friday, October 13, 2023

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## Newsletter #6

Dear L'École Bilingue families,

On Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, we held our first assembly of the year, which was organized and run by Grade 7 Student Leaders. At this assembly, we introduced all staff members, in order for our students to get to know all staff members, as we work together as one community.

Our Code of Conduct:

*Je prends soin de moi - I take care of myself*  
*Je prends soin des autres - I take care of others*  
*Je prends soin de mon école - I take care of my school*

This was reviewed through skits by our Grade 7 Student Leaders.

At L'École Bilingue, we use our WITS when someone may be bothering you. This was also reviewed through a skit. Every class has this poster in their classroom as a visual reminder.

Congratulations to Mme Dionne's & Mme Suzanne's Grade 3 class who presented poems on autumn and a big Merci to Mme Catherine's Grade 3 class and Oli's Grade 3/4 class who sang the L'École Bilingue song. It's a fun song on inclusion that we will sing at every assembly.

Gathering and celebrating student successes through assemblies helps build school spirit and a strong school community. We are proud of our Grade 7 Student Leaders for their work and leadership at this first assembly. More to come throughout the year.



Warm regards,  
 Mme Lavoie & Mme Jungclaus

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## STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

A big thank you to our Grade 7 students who have put their names forward to be hall and playground monitors during the recesses and who volunteer to make the morning announcements every day. Thank you to our Grade 6 student volunteers who help out in our primary classes and in the office. It is rewarding to see so many of our students who are eager to help. We are very proud of our students who are giving back to their community in so many ways!

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## PAC News

The first PAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 7pm-8pm at the school in the library. Looking forward to seeing you all there! Please note the following dates in your calendar for upcoming meetings (all meetings will be in the school library at 7pm):

Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (AGM)

The Halloween Haunt Leads are looking for volunteers! If you are interested in volunteering, please join the [volunteer group chat](#).

## Direct Donation

**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.

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## CROSS-COUNTRY FINAL THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>th</sup> IMPORTANT INFORMATION

L'École Bilingue's cross-country team has done very well during our practices and mini-meets and is now ready for the District Final next week! We ask all participants' parents or caregivers to **carefully read the attached document** (Cross-country Final Information) as it contains important information from our school and the VSB Athletic coordinators.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Abheeru  
PE teacher

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## GOAL SETTING CONFERENCES

Goal setting conferences are scheduled for **Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**. **Early dismissal will occur at 2:00 pm on both days**, in order to accommodate all families.

The goal setting conference is an important time for parents, your child and classroom teacher to set realistic and attainable goals for the year. The goals will be based on both the students' areas for growth and their strengths, and will be monitored and reported on throughout the year. Your classroom teacher will be communicating with you regarding their schedule for these conferences and format.

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## SUSHI LUNCH REMINDER

Our Sushi Lunches on Tuesdays are up and running, thanks to the hard work of many parent volunteers and our Grade 7 student helpers.

**A reminder that cutlery - forks, spoons or chopsticks - are not provided. Please ensure your child brings their own if needed.**

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## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

We're excited to announce after-school coding and robotics courses starting in late October. Please visit the PAC website at <https://lebpac.ca/programs> for the registration links and more information. Please note that as with the other after school programs, the Coding and Robotics course is not a school sanctioned activity and therefore not supervised by school staff.

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## REMINDERS

A reminder to please check your Cash-On-Line account for any outstanding fees - school supplies, agenda and Earthbites program fees. Please note that the library book bags are only needed for Kindergarten students and students new to L'Ecole Bilingue, or if your child has lost their book bag and needs a new one. If financial support is needed, please contact Mme Lavoie at [jlavoie@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:jlavoie@vsb.bc.ca). We are here to help!

**A reminder to ensure that your child is dressed for the weather, as students are expected to play outside at every recess. Sending a change of clothes is highly recommended.**

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## IMPORTANT DATES

- MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 - **INDIVIDUAL PHOTO DAY**
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 - **FIRST PAC MEETING - 7:00 PM IN THE LIBRARY**
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19
  - **GREAT SHAKE OUT EARTHQUAKE DRILL - 10:20 AM**
  - **DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY MEET- 11:30 AM-2:30 PM**
- 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
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 - **HALLOWEEN HAUNT- time TBA**

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*Thank you to Division 9 for the wonderful art project!*

