



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

September 30th is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, which is our time in Canada to recognize the tragic legacy of residential schools, the missing children, the families left behind and the survivors of these institutions. When we acknowledge truth, listen to one another, and work together, we can build a more prosperous country where all children and families have equal access to services and opportunities. Learn more here: <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/national-day-truth-reconciliation.html>

At LPES, we approach Truth and Reconciliation with age-appropriate learning about Orange Shirt Day. On Friday we shared Phyllis' Story: <https://orangeshirtday.org/phyllis-story/#story>, plus students were involved in learning activities with Ktunaxa language and place-based stewardship work. This teaching and learning will continue throughout the year in classrooms and with Michelle Wahlstrom, our Indigenous Education Support Worker.

All the best,

Dan Clark

OPEN HOUSE

Our Open House is happening this week on Wednesday October 2nd at 5:00-6:00pm. We hope you can join us!

- Classroom Visits – Teachers will have their classrooms open for family visits.
- Meet the Teacher Sign-Up – Paper copies of sign-up sheets will be available outside the office. Online sign-up will also be available starting October 7 for families who aren't able to join us at the Open House.
- Parent Advisory Council – PAC will have a table to introduce families to how PAC supports the school.
- Garden Visits – the garden is open for families to visit.
- Garden Club Soup – Soup made by students and staff with vegetables from the garden will be available. Please bring a cup and spoon to sample the garden harvest.
- Garden Club Fundraiser – Extra produce from the garden is available by donation. We are trying to raise \$800 for materials to create more raised beds and your contribution would be appreciated.
- Start-Up Forms – Audrey will be available at the office to support families in completing any outstanding forms.

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

This day is an international day held annually on 5 October to celebrate the work of teachers. It is celebrated in over 100 countries world-wide.

I would like to thank all our teachers at LPES for their daily work to support the growth of our students' social/emotional wellbeing, academic learning, and physical literacy. This work is crucial to the success of our learning community!

Whether it is this week or some moment throughout this year, it would be much appreciated if you can share your gratitude with your child's teacher for their excellent work with your child.



EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVICE USE

In our continued learning about the technology that surrounds us, there is a new study that links early childhood tablet use to anger outbursts:



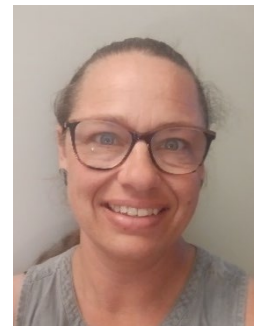
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STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

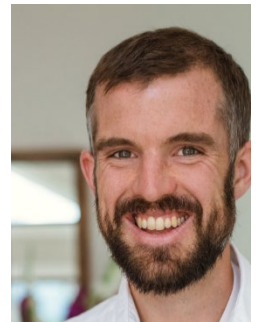
Hello, I am Laura Shore and I am excited to be joining the Lindsay Park staff this year teaching in K/1. I am looking forward to meeting and working with many families in this school community.



Hello, I am Michelle Wahlstrom I am excited to be your Indigenous Support Worker at Lindsay Park on Thursdays. I am a mom of two young adults as well as a wife to my Gitxsan husband. I love learning, exploring, and sharing in nature. I looking forward to supporting and getting to know students and their families at Lindsay Park this year.



My name is Matt Honeyman, and I am the counsellor at Lindsay Park and Marysville schools this year. I grew up in Kimberley, moved away, and came back because I believe this place is the best place on earth. I love working with your kiddos and am happy to connect with you and discuss any questions you may have about your little ones or my approach. If you would like to access counselling for your child, please connect with your teacher to get the referral process started.



FOOD PROGRAMS

The Province of BC is supporting schools to provide everybody with food through the [Feeding Futures program](#). At LPES we are focusing on breakfast as a point of connection with students who choose to join the program. If you have questions about our food programs, what we are providing, or if your child is accessing the program, please contact [Dan Clark](#). Find out more about our Food programs on our website here: [Food Programs](#)

SCHOOL SUCCESS PLAN



July 21, 2024

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Lindsay Park Elementary



Lindsay Park is located on the traditional and unceded territory of the Ktunaxa people. We are working to learn with and from the Ktunaxa to care for this land, honour other ways of knowing, and strive for reconciliation.

To learn more about our plans for this school year, please have a look through our school success plan here:

[LPES 2024-25 School Success Plan.](#)

ROCKY MOUNTAIN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

INFO SESSION

For prospective host parents

Considering opening your home to an international student? Come find out what's required, how to apply, and what to expect from hosting!

[LEARN MORE](#)

Thursday, October 10

7:00 – 9:00 PM

Selkirk Library



PAC NEWS

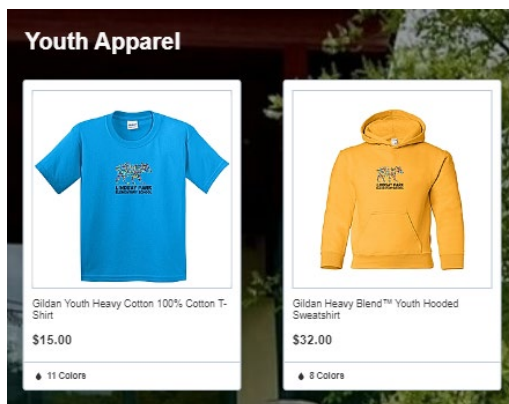
Our next PAC Meeting is **Wednesday, October 16th at 7:00 pm** in our library – all parents and caregivers are welcome! Please use the front entrance. You may also join us virtually here: [Click Here to Join Meeting](#)

LPES APPAREL ORDER

We've set up our first order for LPES branded t-shirts and hoodies here:

<https://lindsayparkspiritwearfall2024.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

The order deadline is Friday October 25th with expected delivery by November 18th.



INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AT SCHOOL?

If you are interested in volunteering with your child's class there are two requirements:

CHILD ABUSE REPORTING PROTOCOL TRAINING

Each year, all staff and volunteers who work with children are required to complete Child Abuse Protection Protocol training. This year the training can be completed online at:

<https://www.sd6.bc.ca/parents/child-abuse-reporting-protocol-and-volunteer-code-of-conduct-training>

CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK

A Criminal Record Check is also required on file, but these are valid for five years. If you need to check on the status of your CRC, kindly contact the office.

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR 2024-25

OCTOBER

- 1-4:** Book Fair
- 2:** Picture Day and Open House
- 14:** Thanksgiving Day (no classes)
- 15:** Early dismissal at 1:48pm
- 16:** Early dismissal at 1:48pm
- 17:** Early dismissal at 1:48pm
- 23:** Take Me Outside Day activities
- 24:** Interim reports are sent home
- 25:** Non-instructional day (no classes)
- 31:** Halloween activities

NOVEMBER

- 1:** Movie Morning
- 5:** Photo Retakes
- 8:** Remembrance Day Assembly
- 11:** Remembrance Day (no classes)

DECEMBER

- 6:** Recycled Shopping
- 16:** Term 1 report cards sent home
- 16:** Winter Variety Show Rehearsal in McKim Theatre (daytime)
- 17:** Winter Variety Show Performance in McKim Theatre (evening)
- 18:** Moving Morning
- 20:** Last day of classes before Winter Break

JANUARY

- 6:** First day of classes after Winter Break
- 29:** Literacy Day

FEBRUARY

- 14:** 100s Day
- 17:** Family Day (no classes)
- 18:** Non-instructional day (no classes)
- 26:** Pink Shirt Day

MARCH

- 10:** Term 2 report cards sent home
- 14:** Last day of classes before March Break
- 31:** First day of classes after March Break

APRIL

- 7-11:** Book Fair
- 9:** Open House
- 18:** Good Friday (no classes)
- 21:** Easter Monday (no classes)
- 23:** Safety Day
- 28:** Non-instructional day (no classes)

MAY

- 1:** Take Me Outside Day
- 7:** Early dismissal day (1:48pm)
- 9:** Interim reports are sent home.
- 19:** Victoria Day (no classes)

JUNE

- 5-6:** Track and Field
- 20:** National Indigenous Peoples Day activities
- 23:** Talent Show
- 24:** Movie Morning
- 25:** Grade 3 Leaving Celebration
- 26:** Last day of classes and term 3 report cards sent home