



Lynnmour/Xá7elcha

April 18th, 2023

We would like to acknowledge and thank the Coast Salish people whose traditional territory North Vancouver School District resides on. At Lynnmour/Xá7elcha we are grateful to the Skwxwú7mesh and səlilwəta+ with whom we share this beautiful land we live, learn and grow on together.

Save the Date: May 13th

Our wonderful PAC volunteers are gearing up for the Annual Spring Fling Fundraising event! If there are any families with a local business or business connections who may be able to provide an offering for the Silent Auction, please be in touch with lynnmourPAC@gmail.com. Every little bit counts and we know we have some talented community members out there!

The annual Spring Fling will take place on May 13th at Seymours Pub. Even you can't donate anything, please consider coming by the pub that night to place a bid on great items, have a beverage with some new friends, or take a chance on a 50/50 ticket! Spring Fling Tickets are available on [Munch a Lunch](#) right now!

Bikes, Boards, Rides and the Law

We continue to reach out to students and families with warm but important safety reminders about riding bikes, scooters, and skateboards in and around the school. Please remember and reinforce with your child that wearing a helmet is the law! E-scooters are also not permitted under the age of 16 as per the District of North Vancouver.

We, at the school, ask for students (and parents) not to ride on the school grounds between the hours of 8:20am and 3pm to reduce the potential of collisions with pedestrians at that time, we do have to continuously remind students to put on their helmets when riding home.

Please remember that **wearing helmets is the law in North Vancouver:**

- In BC by law if you are riding a bike, you need a helmet. [Cycling safety \(icbc.com\)](https://www.icbc.com)
- In DNV by bylaw if you are on a skateboard, you also need a helmet.
- 617. No person shall propel, coast, ride or in any other way use Roller Skates or a Skateboard:
- *617.2 on any Roadway or Lane unless that person is properly wearing a helmet on his or her head, except if that person is a person for whom the wearing of a helmet would interfere with an essential religious practice*

Thank you for your support in teaching this and re-enforcing this with your children.

Drop off and Pick Up

As has been shared, many times, the roundabout at the front of the school is not for stopping in. We realise that there is limited parking around the school and that it complicates things for families. We ask families to support us with this, as this is for the safety of all students around the school. Bylaw officers do not let us know when they are coming to enforce this and we know that this caused tension in the moment last week. If families are respectful of not stopping in the roundabout, this added upset doesn't happen.

We want all families to know that your child's safety is important to us. If you are driving to and from the school, please consider parking a block away and walking in. Consider having a "meeting place" for yourself and your child, just away from the school when they are old enough. We know that this may add to the stress of drop off or pick up however, please consider the stress of a family who's child may be injured by an accident during this time. Thank you for your support.

PAC needs you!

Are you looking for a way to get involved at the school?

Do you like to meet great people?

Would you like to make a difference in our school community?

Do you want to join a committed group of parents who make a positive difference in our school?

Our wonderful Parent Advisory Committee does amazing things to support our school and students. More volunteers make lighter work and the PAC is looking for interested parents to come to meetings to have your voice heard. There are many fun opportunities for roles within the PAC as well. Reach out to lynnmourpac@gmail.com to connect!!

All Lynnmour parents are welcome!! The more the merrier!

Student Request for 23-24

Classroom placement of students is something that the staff at Lynnmour/Xa7elcha take very seriously. We work very hard to create balanced and supportive classes for all students in our care.

Should parents choose to, we do consider family updates and information regarding a child's strengths and stretches for their placement for next year. Please do not request a certain teacher or to be placed with a certain other child. We cannot honour requests of that nature but will consider requests that share a need on them. We ask that all requests are **submitted by May 12th** for consideration.

[Please use the following link to find the Request form](#)

Important dates

Tuesday April 18 - Skw-une'was Longhouse visit for grade 3s

Thursday April 20 - Ramadan Ends

Thursday April 20- Class Photos!!

Saturday April 22 - Earth Day

Wednesday April 26 - Collaboration (Students dismissed at 1:50)

May: Asian History Month

May 5th- Red Dress Day - in honour of MMIWG

Report Card Changes! IMPORTANT Information Evening (VIRTUAL) sign in from home!

Sign in next Tuesday evening to learn about the changes coming to Report Cards for students. Communicating Student Learning is taking a different form in the 2023-2024 school year. We are moving away from traditional letter grades K-9 and moving towards a more informative Performance Standard based formative assessment for our learners. Take some time to listen to the presentation hosted by DPAC. [Use the link for more information.](#)

Student Learning Survey (ACTION for parents)

During the months of January to April, the North Vancouver School District (44) is participating in the 2023 Ministry of Education Electronic Anonymous Student Learning Survey Project in cooperation with all other school districts throughout the Province. We would love your feedback!

Parents/Guardians/Caregivers can complete the online Anonymous Student Learning Surveys **any time before 11:59 pm April 29th, 2023**, providing immediate results to the school and the district.

To complete the survey:

1. Go to any computer that has an up-to-date internet browser access at home, work, or school.

2. Go to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm
3. Under the section *Direct Access – no logon number required* select:
 1. District: the name of your child's district
 2. School: the name of your child's school
 3. Language: the language of your choice
4. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate circle to answer each question. Move to the next set of questions by clicking on the right arrow in the bottom right corner of the screen. Click on the left arrow to navigate backwards.
5. When you are finished the survey, you will get a message "Thank you for sharing your views".
6. Once complete, your school will have the results immediately.



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