



# LARSON ELEMENTARY

## Weekly Newsletter

February 5-9, 2024

### Week at a glance:

- Mon 5 Reading Link Challenge Gr. 4/5 12:25-12:55pm  
Boys Triple Ball Game 3:30-4:20pm
- Tue 6 Girls Triple Ball Game 3:30-4:20pm  
Grade 6 Outdoor School Tue - Fr
- Wed 7 Homework Club 8:15-8:45am Library  
Kindergarten Hearing Clinic - all day
- Thu 8 Grade 7 Cineplex Field Trip
- Fri 9 Homework Club 8:15-8:45am Library

### Intention of the Week:



### Information & Updates:

**Reminder:** District Pro-D Day on Friday, February 16, 2024. Students not in school.

**Grade 6 Outdoor School:** February 6-9, 2024.

**Triple Ball season:** February 5 - March 4, 2024. Informed Consent Forms have been sent home for signature. Boys Triple Ball at Capilano School Feb 5th. Girls Triple Ball at Norgate School Feb 6th.

#### Black History Month:

February is Black History Month. Black Canadians and their communities have been a part of shaping Canada's heritage and identity since the early 1600s. Black History Month is a time to learn about the many important contributions that Black Canadians and their communities have made to the history and continued growth of this country. [Click here](#) to learn more.



During Black History Month, staff will be weaving black history content into the teaching and learning. Mme. Patterson has curated many books about Black History. Our morning music program will feature music from black artists, many of whom are Canadian. Teacher Bailey has organized a guest speaker from Presentation House Theatre named Alisha Davidson:

[Black History Matters Grades K - 7 - Presentation House Theatr \(phtheatre.org\)](http://phtheatre.org)

#### PBIS (Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports):

We are continuing our focus of reinforcing positive behaviour at Larson. Staff have been able to hand out many Orca Slips and we are hopeful for that extra recess reward soon. Teachers are now going to start looking to reinforce positive behaviour in the class and in the hallways.

Please continue to talk with your children about the hurtful impact of name calling. We continue to hear about name calling going on at school. Sadly, there are still cases of name calling that is racist in nature. We are working with children to understand the negative impact when such names are being used, even when they are being said among friends. We are being very clear with students that name calling, for any reason, whether because they are angry or think they are joking, is unacceptable and does not align with the expectations of the School District's and Larson Elementary's Codes of Conduct.

**Everyone deserves to be emotionally and psychologically safe from such hurtful and demeaning name calling.**

### Celebrating Student Learning:



Division F09 (Shandro/Chapman)

Division E08 (Mrs Lanzi)

## **SUGAR SHACK RETURNS TO LARSON!**

Wednesday, February 28 to Friday, March 1, 2024

**A fun way for students to celebrate and learn about Quebec!**

Activities:

Maple Man: a bilingual presentation on how maple syrup is made & tasting  
Traditional Dance with Mme Cynthia  
Traditional crepe breakfast

**We need lots of parent support/help with:**

Make crepes at home  
Help distribute maple taffy and/or crepes one day!

**Click here to volunteer: [Sugar Shack Volunteer Sign Up Sheet](#)**

## **FRENCH ICE SKATING**

An event put on by the Canadian Parents for French BC & Yukon:

**Free ice skating at Harry Jerome Community Centre on Family Day  
— Monday, February 19 from 2:30-4:30pm.**

Skate and helmet rentals available for a fee.