



ÉCOLE LARSON ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

December 15 - 19, 2025

Week at a Glance:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Floor Hockey Game @ Larson 3:30pm	Floor Hockey 12:20pm	Reading Link Meeting 12:00pm JEDI Club Meeting 12:00pm Band Concert @ Queen Mary 6:00pm	Holiday Dress Up Day Hot Lunch Subway + Booster Juice Floor Hockey 12:20pm



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- December 25 Christmas Day
- December 26 Kwanzaa begins
- January 1 New Year's Day
- January 4 National Ribbon Skirt Day
- January 5 First day back to school after Winter Break

LITTERLESS LUNCHES: Pack-In-Pack-Out



**Coming
January 2026**

LITTERLESS LUNCHES:

Starting in January, Larson Elementary is launching: *Pack-In-Pack-Out* Lunches to reduce waste and promote sustainability.

WHAT TO DO?

- Bring it Home - All packaging, uneaten food, and scraps go back home with your child. This includes Munch-A-Lunch packaging, except for liquids like milk, ice-cream, and yogurt.
- Zero-Garbage Lunches - Use reusable containers, snack bags, and drink bottles instead of single-use packaging.
- Reusable is Key - Send washable containers and a sealable bag for leftovers or compostable scraps.

WHY IT MATTERS:

One child's annual lunch waste equals the weight of a Grade 2 student. Across the school, that's like hauling away 12,500 kg of garbage every year! Less waste means fewer emissions and a cleaner planet. Plus, sending food home allows parents to monitor students' nutrition.





BE HEALTH AWARE

A friendly reminder to families about keeping our school community safe and preventing the spread of illness. Please keep in mind that students should stay home if they have the following symptoms:

- Fever - are too sick to take part in all normal school activities.
- Suspected or known communicable disease (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox, measles).
- Vomiting or has diarrhea. **Students should be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.**



Above: Sofreh Yalda display created by PALS.

Right: Mr. Yeo and Ponnie working together to beautify our school.



REMINDER: Please Send Extra Clothes

With the wet and chilly weather, students often get muddy or damp during outdoor play. To keep them comfortable throughout the day, we ask that **parents send a set of extra clothes (shirt, pants, socks, and underwear)** in a labeled bag to keep in your child's backpack or classroom.

Having these items on hand helps avoid discomfort and interruptions to learning.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students warm and happy!

Artists for Kids

Painting Pandemonium

- 8 Wednesdays from January 14 to March 4
- 3:30-5:00pm
- Grades 3-5
- Instructor: Bridget Arnold

Class description: In this fun and engaging painting class, students will explore a variety of painting themes and techniques, using both acrylic and watercolor paints. Each week, our artists will create exciting and unique projects, often inspired by different science themes.

Visit the [Artists for Kids](#) website for more information and to register.



Lost and Found Notice

Please take a look at the below pictures to see if anything belongs to your family. Students can pick up items anytime during school hours.

Items not claimed by December 19 will be donated.

Thank you for your assistance!



Message from PALS:

This section is provided by Larson PALS. Programs and fundraisers listed below are organized by parent volunteers to support the Larson school community.



Staff Appreciation Lunch — Food Donations Needed

To sign up, please use the [Google sign-up sheet here](#). We are still welcoming additional food donations for the Staff Appreciation Lunch on **Wednesday, December 17**.

If you're able to contribute, please add your name to the Google sign-up sheet, and **drop off food items in the lunchroom (next to the office) before 11:00 a.m. on the day of the event.**

This lunch will serve **approximately 60 staff members**, and your contributions help make this celebration possible.

Thank you for your support and kindness.

Larsonpalooza 2026 — Lead Or Co-Leads Needed

We are looking for a Lead or Co-Leads to help guide the 2026 Larsonpalooza Spring Fair.

If you enjoy bringing people together and would like to support one of Larson's biggest community events, we would love to hear from you.



This role comes with guidance from last year's lead and support from all sub-committee teams.

Please connect with us: larsonspringfair@gmail.com



Heartfelt Thanks To Our Larson Families

As we look back on the events and fundraisers shared so far: Family Movie Night, Courtesy Reminders, the Holiday Store and Spirit Wear Fundraiser, the Holiday Raffle, Holiday Store Donations, Mitchell's Soup Fundraiser, and Growing Smiles, we are filled with gratitude for the many ways families have supported our community. Thank you for volunteering, donating, participating, and cheering on every event.

Your involvement strengthens our school community, and we are truly grateful.