



ÉCOLE LARSON ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

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LARSON WEBSITE

WEEKLY INTENTION

Je suis un/e bon/ne ami/e.



I am a good friend.

UPCOMING DATES

- **International Day of Women and Girls in Science**
February 11
- **District (NVTA) Pro-D Day**
February 13
- **Valentines Day**
February 14
- **National Flag of Canada Day**
February 15
- **Family Day (School not in session)**
February 16
- **Lunar New Year**
February 17

ORCA VALUES

Kindness
Compassion
Protection
Intelligence

LARSON'S WEEK AHEAD

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Black History Month				
Boys Tripleball Practice 12:20pm	Girls Tripleball Practice 12:20pm	Rainbow Protectors 12:00pm	Reading Link 12:00pm in the library	Hot Lunch A&W
Choir Practice 12:20pm	Girls Tripleball Game @ Carisbrooke 3:30pm	Choir Practice 12:20pm	JEDI Club 12:00pm in the LST room	
Boys Tripleball Game @ Larson 3:30pm			Tripleball Practice 12:20pm for ALL Gr. 6/7 teams	

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we head into February, it's amazing how quickly the year is moving. This month will be a busy one with a variety of school activities, events, and celebrations.

A key focus will be Black History Month. Students will take part in meaningful learning about the contributions and achievements of Black Canadians, helping build understanding and appreciation within our school community.

Please continue reading our weekly newsletter for important updates about the Spring Concert, upcoming spirit days and more!

Thank you for your continued support. We're looking forward to a great month ahead!

#WEAREORCAS





Black History Month, observed annually in February, honours and celebrates the diversity, history and culture of Black people in Canada.

The government of Canada unveiled the theme for 2026: **“30 Years of Black History Month: Honouring Black Brilliance Across Generations – From Nation Builders to Tomorrow’s Visionaries.”**

This year’s theme celebrates thirty years of Black History Month in Canada and honours the enduring legacy of Black Canadians, whose leadership, creativity, innovation, and resilience have shaped our past, continue to influence our present, and will inspire generations to come.

JEDI SURVEY FOR FAMILIES



The staff at Larson want to learn about your family’s cultural holidays and traditions.

Our school community is wonderfully diverse, and we’d love to celebrate that together! Do you have special cultural holidays or traditions that you observe at home? Whether it’s a holiday, festival, or unique family tradition, we want to hear about it.

Your stories will help us learn more about each other and create opportunities to celebrate our rich cultural heritage at school.

[Please click here](#) to complete a survey created by our school’s JEDI (Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion) Committee. Thank you for helping us make Larson a place where every culture and individual belongs and shines.

[Larson Cultural Holidays and Traditions Survey](#)

**IF YOU ARE FEELING UNWELL,
PLEASE STAY HOME!**



health
CORNER

A friendly reminder to please follow our school health guidelines. Larson has seen an increased number of stomach bug cases recently.

Please note: Students who have experienced vomiting or diarrhea should be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.

Additional symptoms include:

- Fever – are too sick to take part in all normal school activities.
- Suspected or known communicable disease (i.e. strep throat, chicken pox, measles).

SAFETY FIRST

FRIENDLY REMINDER FOR PARENTS

If you need to pick up your child during school hours, please come to the office to sign them out. Office staff will ensure your child meets you promptly and safely.

For safety reasons, **parents should not enter classrooms, hallways, or playgrounds during school time.**

To help us support smooth, safe procedures:

- **All early pick-ups go through the office.**
- **Use the [School Messenger App \(Safe Arrivals\)](#) to notify us of early departures.**
- **Drop off forgotten items at the office—staff will deliver them to your child.**

Thank you for helping keep our school safe.

GRADE 6/7 TRIPLEBALL

The Tripleball Schedule is out!

[Click here to view.](#)



Please note: Locations for the final two games will be sent out to families at a later date.



Stay tuned for more details about Larson’s Spring Concert!

Please note: Due to limited space in our gym, we are currently inviting parents and guardians only.

AM CONCERT

11:00am to 12:00pm

E10, E09, E08, E04, E02, E01, F09, F07, F06, F05, F03

PM CONCERT

1:20pm to 2:20pm

E07, E06, E05, E03, F12, F11, F10, F08, F04, F02, F01



HOMESTAY FAMILIES NEEDED

Each year, the North Vancouver School District welcomes students from around the world to live and study in our vibrant community in the International Program. We strive to place secondary school international students with families who live close to school to support each student’s integration into the school and wider community.

We have secondary school international students in need of a homestay placement for the school terms beginning February and September 2026, and February 2027.

If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to the International Education program office at international@sd44.ca.

More information about the homestay program is available on the [International Education](#) section of the school district website.

BAND AND STRINGS FOR THE 2026–2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Band & String registration is open for students in grades 4–7.



Please note that the ability to offer a program at Ecole Larson is contingent on several factors:

- Enrolment – The Band and Strings program operates on a cost-recovery basis, funded directly through registration fees. Students in grades 3–6 will see Strings Program fees added to their School Cash Online for the Strings Program. Participation in this program is optional.
- Staffing – Within the NVSD, equity across schools is a priority. To ensure all schools receive programming, those requesting a second program may not be granted both Band and Strings, regardless of enrollment.
- Physical Space and Scheduling – Each school must have the physical space and scheduling capacity.

Details can be found on the [Elementary Band and Strings’ webpage](#).

Click [HERE](#) for more information.



February is National Inclusive Education Month

MESSAGE FROM PALS:

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

COMMUNICATION TEAM RECRUITING

We are looking for PALS Communication Team members to help keep families informed and connected.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist with emails, updates for events and programs. (Weekly PALS Newsletter)
- Update the parent database annually in September/October.



TIME COMMITMENT

- Around 1 hour per week, more during busy times (holidays, major events).
- Ideal for parents who can volunteer from home and respond to requests promptly.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- Strong written communication and attention to detail.
- Experience with social media and email management.

WHY JOIN

- Perfect for parents who love writing, organizing, and connecting with the community.

FUN LUNCH (MUNCHALUNCH) REMINDER

Please remember to place your Fun Lunch order on Munchalunch.

Fun Lunch is a great way to treat students to something they look forward to at school, while also helping raise funds to support Larson.

[>>> CLICK TO ORDER HERE!! <<](#)

Questions can be directed to larsfunlunch@gmail.com.



TWO RIVERS MEATS FUNDRAISER

Stock up your freezer with local meats from Two Rivers. **15% of sales supports the purchase of technology and sports equipment for our school.** Two Rivers Meats offers fine local meats that are free of antibiotics, hormones, and chemical feed additives.

- **Order window: February 2 to March 16, 2026.**
- Pickup date: March 30, 2026 29
- Detailed pickup instructions will be included in your order confirmation email.

[>>>CLICK TO ORDER HERE<<](#)

