



ÉCOLE LARSON ELEMENTARY

Weekly Newsletter

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LARSON WEBSITE

WEEKLY INTENTION



UPCOMING DATES

- **Victoria Day (School not in session)**
May 18
- **Track & Field Zone Qualifications (Highlands)**
May 20
- **Kindergarten Orientation**
May 21
- **Spirit Day: Matching Day**
May 21
- **Shavuot**
May 21 - 23
- **Eid al-Adha**
May 26
- **Red Shirt Day**
May 27
- **Staff Collaboration (Early Dismissal @ 1:50pm)**
May 27

ORCA VALUES

Kindness
Compassion
Protection
Intelligence

LARSON'S WEEK AHEAD

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Grade 4-7 Track Qualifications @ Sutherland 8:00am-12:00pm	Kindergarten Outdoor Learning @ Bridgman Park Grade 6/7 Sprints 8:00am	Shotput 8:15am Math Festival	Hot Lunch Subway + Booster Juice Emergency Release Drill 1:30pm
	Long/Triple Jump 12:20pm Volleyball Club 3:00pm PALS Meeting 6:30pm	Rainbow Protectors High Jump 12:20pm Grade 7 Grad Meeting 2:50pm Long Distance 2:55pm	Long/Triple Jump 12:20pm Grade 4/5 Sprints 2:55pm	

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have an exciting start to our week with Track & Field Zone Qualifications on Tuesday. We wish all of our athletes the very best as they demonstrate their skills, perseverance, and sportsmanship.

Also on Tuesday evening, we look forward to connecting with families at the PAL Meeting in the library, and on Thursday, students will have the chance to participate in our Math Festival.

We will finish the week with an early dismissal as part of our Student Release Drill. Please be sure to review the newsletter for more detailed information about this important safety practice.

A friendly reminder that there is no school on Monday, May 18, in honour of Victoria Day. We hope all of our families enjoy a restful and enjoyable long weekend together. **#WEAREORCAS**

UPCOMING STUDENT RELEASE DRILL

This Friday, May 15 at 1:30pm our school will be conducting a **Student Release Drill** as part of our ongoing commitment to student safety and emergency preparedness.



Families are encouraged to review the **Student Release Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)** section for additional information about the process and how to prepare:

[Student Release FAQ](#)

THANK YOU TO PALS AND LARSON FAMILIES

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our PALS group and the entire Larson community for their incredibly generous donation of new iPads. Your support has made a significant difference in our classrooms and has already enriched learning opportunities for our students.

These devices will enhance engagement, creativity, and access to a wide range of educational tools, helping our students learn, explore, and grow in meaningful ways. We are so fortunate to be part of such a caring and supportive community.

Thank you again for your generosity and for continually investing in our students' success.



HEAD INJURIES IN CHILDREN: WHAT FAMILIES SHOULD KNOW



Head injuries are common in children, whether at school, during sports, or at home. Even a mild bump can cause a concussion, so all head injuries should be taken seriously.

At school, staff assess the injury, provide first aid, and may contact parents/guardians.

Watch for signs such as:

- **Unusual sleepiness or difficulty waking**
- **Vomiting or severe headache**
- **Confusion or behaviour changes**
- **Balance or vision problems, or weakness**
- **Seizures or loss of consciousness**

Even mild injuries should be carefully monitored at home, and children should avoid activities that could cause another injury until fully recovered or medically cleared.

For more information on concussion care, please [click here.](#)



Larson's Red Dress display honouring MMIWG2S+

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.

If you are interested in hosting an international student, please reach out to the International Education program office at international@sd44.ca. More information available on the **International Education** section of the school district website








MAY 17TH
INTERNATIONAL DAY
AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA
TRANSPHOBIA AND BIPHOBIA



MICROMOBILITY:

KNOW THE RULES BEFORE YOU RIDE

	Where Can I Ride?	How old do I need to be?	How fast can I go?	License and Insurance?	What Else Should I Know?
 E-Bike	Anywhere where bicycles can ride!	14 + for light e-bikes; 16+ for standard e-bikes	Light e-bikes: 25 km/h Standard e-bikes: 32 km/h	No Drivers License or Insurance required	Must have fully operable pedals
 E-Scooter	Only in communities participating in the pilot project	16+	25 km/h	No Drivers License or Insurance required	Illegal outside of pilot communities
 Moped/LSM	On public roadways only	16+	70 km/h	Drivers License and Insurance required	CMVSS compliance label required
 E-Dirt Bike	Not on roads, sidewalks or bike lanes	Not legal at any age on public roads	Not permitted on public roads	Cannot be registered or insured	Not legal e-bikes or LSMs
 Mini-Motorcycle	Not on roads, sidewalks or bike lanes	Not legal at any age on public roads	Not permitted on public roads	Cannot be registered or insured	Do not meet safety standards

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.

BIKE TO SCHOOL WEEK IS COMING!

Bike/Walk to school week is June 1-5, 2026

We're looking for volunteers to take charge of organizing this fun event. If you're interested, please reach out to laronpals1@gmail.com



LARSONPALOOZA (June 13)

Our biggest community event of the year – and our largest fundraiser – is just around the corner!

We're looking for silent auction donations to help raise funds for this important community event!

Ideas include gift cards, toys, experiences, or themed gift baskets. Every contribution helps.

👉 **Donate an item:** laronspringfair@gmail.com

👉 **Join a committee:** <https://signup.com/go/eiTGULz>

LARSON STAFF LUNCH (June 08)

We are hosting a lunch for all Larson Staff on Monday June 8th. We are looking for help to gather food items to contribute and volunteers to make it all happen!



[Volunteer here](#)

Join the Planning Committee for
LARSON PALOOZA
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

PLEASE JOIN US TO HELP MAKE OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR A SUCCESS!
(NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE REQUIRED)

Scan QR code to sign up for a committee of your choice or contact us by email:
laronspringfair@gmail.com

CANADIANS BASEBALL GAME - LAST CHANCE TO BUY TICKETS

Join Larson families for a fun day at the ballpark while supporting the school.

Date: Sunday, May 17, 2026 | 1:00pm

Wear Larson colours (blue or white) and meet other Larson families in our very own dedicated section!

Buy tickets: [Larson Elementary School Fundraiser](#)

LARSON FUNDRAISER
Watch the Game Live
Baseball Game

VS

VANCOUVER CANADIANS EVERETT AQUASOX

SUNDAY, MAY 17 2026
1:05 PM

LARSON ORCAS SECTION 2
NAT BAILEY STADIUM *Buy Now!*

Tickets are limited and can only be purchased through this link. Scan the code or visit <https://www.gafevo.com/event/OS18-LES> Questions? email laronpals1@gmail.com

STAY CONNECTED WITH LARSON PALS

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/larson.pals>

Website: <https://www.larsonpals.com>

PALS MEETING – Join us for the next **PALS meeting on May 12**. Everyone is welcome!

