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# Upper Lynn e-News

February 17, 2025

Important Dates & Reminders for the Week of February 17 to February 21, 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17	18	19	20	21
Family Day School is Closed				Hot Lunch Foodie Kids  Upper Lynn Band Centennial Theatre

# **Upcoming Dates**

- Tuesday February 18 Metaphor Hip Hop Presentation
- Friday February 21 Hot Lunch Foodie Kids
- Friday February 21 Argyle Choir Visit
- Friday February 21 Upper Lynn Band Performance Centennial Theatre
- Monday February 24 Hot Lunch Pizza
- Wednesday February 26 Pink Shirt Day
- Wednesday February 26 Staff Collaboration; Early Dismissal 2:00pm
- Friday February 28 Magic Lunch Box
- Friday February 28 Spirit Day Fancy Schmancy Day
- Monday March 3 Hot Lunch Sushi / Maxfrut
- Tuesday March 5 Long House Day Program Grade 3
- Wednesday March 6 Long House Day Program Grade 3
- Friday March 7 Hot Lunch Subway
- Monday March 10 Hot Lunch Cobs / TCBY
- Tuesday March 11 Open House Early Dismissal at 2pm
- Wednesday March 12 Learning Update
- Friday March 14 Hot Lunch Foodie Kids
- Friday March 14 Spirit Day Twin Day / Multiple Day
- Friday March 14 Last Day Before Spring Break

# **Upper Lynn News**

#### The Upper Lynn Band Takes the Stage!

Join us this Friday at Centennial Theatre for an exciting evening featuring performances by the Upper Lynn Band, Argyle Secondary School Band, and other elementary ensembles! Under the direction of **Mr**. **Madill**, our talented students have been working diligently to prepare a spectacular program for this special event.

Don't miss this wonderful evening of music and celebration. See you there!

#### Save the Date

**Upper Lynn's Open House** is on **Tuesday, March 11**. This is a chance for students to share their learning with families. Please note that this will be an **early dismissal day**. More details about the format will be provided by your child's classroom teacher.

#### **Key Dates:**

Wednesday, March 12 – Learning Updates will be uploaded.

Week of March 10 – Self-Assessments of the Core Competencies will be sent home.

More information will be shared as the dates approach.

#### Thank You for a Safe and Efficient Drop-Off!

We appreciate all **parents** who are following drop-off procedures by **pulling up to the sign, having a quick goodbye, and keeping traffic moving**. This helps ensure a smooth and safe start to the day for all students.

A reminder that the **vehicle drop-off zone** is **for quick stops only**—please do not park or leave your car unattended in this area. Keeping the zone clear allows for a steady flow of traffic and improves safety for everyone.

We recognize that drop-off can be a busy time, and we are actively working with the **District of North Vancouver** to explore ways to **expand vehicle drop-off areas and enhance student safety** around Upper Lynn.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school safe and running smoothly!

#### KidSport North Shore Sports Equipment Sale!

Gear up for less at the **KidSport North Shore Sports Equipment Sale!** Find incredible deals on new and gently used sports gear for all ages and sports.

**Location:** Carson Graham Secondary School

**Date:** Saturday, April 5, 2025 **Time:** 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Have extra equipment? **Donate your new or lightly used gear** between **March 13 – March 31, 2025** to help local kids get in the game! Visit <u>kidsportcanada.ca/north-shore</u> for details!

### **PAC News**

#### Silent Auction: 21-28 February

We are pleased to announce the return of our Online Silent Auction for 2025! The funds raised from the Online Silent Auction are part of our annual budget and will be used to fund library books, field trips, music and arts supplies, cultural programs, bursaries for families in need, and extra supplies for classroom teachers.

A huge thank you to our Sponsors and Donors for their generous support!

The Auction will go live Friday, Feb 21st @ 7am and runs until Friday, Feb 28th at 9pm. We have so many fabulous items for you to bid on that are just a click away!

# After School / Lunch Programs

#### New Potential Program!

#### After-school Coding, Robotics and STEM opportunities at Upper Lynn

Are you passionate about STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)? Do you enjoy building, coding, or solving challenges? UTG Academy is excited to bring our STEM after-school programs to Upper Lynn Elementary, and we're looking for enthusiastic parents to help us make it happen! We're looking for volunteer mentors, and/or coordinators to help run programs like the SFU Canadian Coding League - where students form teams, code projects, and submit their creations to be played by YouTubers and Twitch Streamers and Competitive Robotics - where kids design, build, and program robots for competitions. These programs are designed to inspire creativity, critical thinking, and teamwork in students, all while having a blast! UTG academy will provide the training, materials, and ongoing guidance you need to run a successful STEM program at the school.

Mentors come from a wide range of backgrounds and disciplines, each bringing unique skills and experiences to support students in their learning journey. Whether technical or non-technical, mentors provide guidance in areas such as coding, robotics, problem-solving, project management, and teamwork.

#### Mentors can be:

- Parents or family members of students
- Educators or professors
- Professionals from technical or non-technical field
- Community members with a passion for STEM
- Anyone with a willingness to inspire and guide young learners

If you're curious about getting involved, we'd love to hear from you. To learn more about UTG Academy visit: <a href="https://www.utgacademy.com">www.utgacademy.com</a>

#### Lunch GRIT (Spring 2025) New

**Location**: Upper Lynn MPR

Who: Grades 3-6

**Dates**: Wednesdays, Lunch, April 9th-May 14th

**Time**: 12-12:47pm

**Pricing**: \$130 (scholarships always available)

Register Here: Register here

Join us for Lunch Grit (again!) this Spring. Each Wednesday we'll meet up for a fun/chill session of figuring out how to find calm in stressful situations, how to navigate our way through tricky friendships, how to deal with stress, and how to tap into empathy. We'll incorporate fun crafts and activities and leave time each week for a mindful brain-break meditation. It's the perfect break halfway through the week.

#### Chess Club

**Location**: Multipurpose Room

Who: Ages: 6+

**Dates**: Tuesdays, January 14<sup>th</sup> to March 11<sup>th</sup>

Time: 12:00-12:47

Pricing: \$90

Register Here: <a href="https://upperlynnjanmarchess2025.eventbrite.ca">https://upperlynnjanmarchess2025.eventbrite.ca</a>

You are invited to explore the strategic world of chess at this exclusive chess club. This club includes fundamentals for beginners along with strategies for the more advanced players. Chess Club players will have the opportunity to improve their skills by playing against other player of various levels.

#### PAC Facebook Group, Website and Email

The PAC email is upperlynnpac@gmail.com

The PAC has a website <a href="https://upperlynnpac.weebly.com">https://upperlynnpac.weebly.com</a>

We also have a Facebook group **ULE PAC Parent Group** 

# Reminders

#### Support Our Choir: Help Fund New Choral Risers!

A heartfelt thank you to all the families who generously donated online and at our Winter Concerts. Your contributions are truly appreciated and will help us fund new choral risers to better support our growing choir. With your support, we are one step closer to providing a more functional setup for our young performers. We are grateful for your kindness and commitment to enhancing the musical experience for our students. If you haven't had a chance yet, you can still donate online. Thank you for making a difference!

#### Student Learning Survey – Your Input Matters!

This is a friendly reminder to grade 4 and 7 families to complete the <u>Student Learning Survey (SLS)</u>. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us understand students' learning experiences, well-being, engagement, and how the curriculum is being implemented.

The survey is **voluntary**, **anonymous**, **and available in 18 languages**. Your input plays a key role in shaping school and district planning to better support our students.

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts—we truly appreciate your support!

Tim MacLeod Lise Grendel Principal Vice-Principal



# UPPERLYNN ELEMENTARY SILENT AUCTION

FEBRUARY 21 - 28, 2025



**NEW & USED** 

# SPORTS EQUIPMENT SALE

PRESENTED BY KIDSPORT NORTH SHORE



Do you have any new or lightly used sports equipment sitting around?

Please DONATE anytime between Thursday, March 13 - Monday, March 31,

2025! Find details on donation collection locations and acceptable

equipment to donate on our website.

## **EQUIPMENT SALE DETAILS**

CARSON GRAHAM SECONDARY SCHOOL
SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION**