

Upper Lynn e-News

March 8, 2026

Important Dates & Reminders for the Week of March 9 to March 13, 2026

Monday 9	Tuesday 10	Wednesday 11	Thursday 12	Friday 13
Hot Lunch Sushi / Max Frut	Open House Early Dismissal; 2pm	Learning Update Upload	Popcorn Sale Grade 7 Fundraiser \$2 per Bag	Hot Lunch Magic Lunchbox
Long House E12/E13	Long House E10/E11			Fancy Smancy Day
				Last Day Before Spring Break

Upcoming Dates

- Monday March 9 – Hot Lunch – Sushi / Max Frut
- Monday March 9 – Long House: E12, E13
- Tuesday March 10 – Long House: E10, E11
- Tuesday March 10 – Upper Lynn Open House – Student Conferences: **Early Dismissal at 2:00 pm**
- Wednesday March 11 – Learning Update [Upload](#)
- Thursday March 12 – Grade 7 Fundraiser – Popcorn Sale
- Friday March 13 – Hot Lunch – Magic Lunchbox
- Friday March 13 – Spirit Day: Fancy Smancy Day
- Friday March 13 – Last Day Before Spring Break
- Monday March 30 – School Reopens
- Monday March 30 – Hot Lunch – Well Fed
- Friday April 3 – Good Friday – **School is Closed**
- Monday April 6 – Easter Monday – **School is Closed**
- Tuesday April 7 – School Reopens
- Tuesday April 7 – Grade 4/5 Bike Program
- Thursday April 9 – Grade 4/5 Bike Program
- Friday April 10 – Hot Lunch – Foodie Kids
- Monday April 13 – Hot Lunch - Pizza
- Monday April 13 – PAC Meeting

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Student Learning Updates This Week

Upper Lynn's Open House will take place on Tuesday, March 10, and students are looking forward to sharing their learning and classroom work with their families. Mrs. Wood will have the music room open for parents and students to drop in on Tuesday from 2:15–3:15 pm and again from 5:15–6:15 pm. Please note that **Tuesday will be an early dismissal day**, with students leaving at **2:00 pm** to support the Open House activities.

Learning Updates will be uploaded on Wednesday, March 11, and families will be able to review their child's progress at that time. In addition, students' Self-Assessment of the Core Competencies will also be coming home this week, including a short reflection on the Thinking Core Competency, where students consider how they approach problem solving, learning, and new challenges.

Fancy Smancy Day

On Friday, March 13, we will be celebrating Fancy Schmancy Day at Upper Lynn. Students are invited to dress to impress and wear their fanciest outfits for the day. Participation is completely optional, and we ask that outfits remain comfortable, allow students to move freely, and are appropriate for outdoor recess and breaks.

Grade 7 Fundraiser – Thursday, March 12

Our Grade 7 students will be hosting a popcorn fundraiser on Thursday, March 12, with presales beginning at 2:30 pm on the blacktop near the undercover area. Popcorn is two dollars per bag, cash only, and we thank you for supporting our Grade 7 students.

Student and Community Safety Remains a High Priority at Upper Lynn.

It has been brought to our attention that some drivers are using neighbours' driveways to make U turns, and three point turns during drop off and pick up times. We ask that families please respect our neighbours' property and avoid turning around in private driveways. A little extra planning and patience helps keep our community positive and respectful for everyone around Upper Lynn.

Student Learning Survey – Grade 4 & 7 Families

Parents and caregivers are reminded that the Provincial Student Learning Survey is now available. Additional information about the survey was shared last week with Grade 4 and Grade 7 families. We encourage families to take a few minutes to complete the survey as the feedback helps guide school and district planning. You can link to the survey [here](#).

Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found at Upper Lynn is quickly filling up with jackets, hoodies, water bottles, hats, boots, and even an umbrella. Please take a moment to have your child check the tables in the front hallway, as any unclaimed items will be donated if they are not picked up soon. Please see [here](#) for pictures.

Code of the BEARS – Continued Washroom Vandalism

We are returning our focus to the washrooms as there continues to be significant damage from vandalism, broken equipment, and disrespectful use of the space. Supplies are being wasted, and unsafe conditions are being created with water and soap being thrown around the washrooms. This behaviour is taking a tremendous amount of time away from our custodian and other staff members who are working hard to keep our school clean and safe. If the damage continues, we will have no choice but to close washrooms periodically because we simply cannot keep up with the repairs and cleanup.

We will be hosting a school assembly to celebrate all the positive BEARS behaviours we see every day. During the assembly, we will also spend time reviewing our expectations for washroom use and discussing the real consequences of this behaviour, including the loss of time, money, resources, and the creation of unsafe conditions for others.

We are asking students to notify a staff member if they see anyone using the washrooms in a disrespectful way. We also ask families to speak with their children about these behaviours and the importance of taking care of shared spaces. If you are aware of anything happening at school, please reach out and let us know.

PAC News

ULE Silent Auction

On behalf of the Silent Auction team, as well as the PAC, we would like to sincerely thank all of our generous donors, sponsors and auction participants. With your support, our auction raised \$12 948!

The money raised at our Silent Auction will be used to directly support a better educational experience for the students. Thank you for supporting our community!

Special mention to Gold Sponsor, **Absolute Landscaping**, and our Silver Sponsors, **Kennedy Construction** and **VPM Group**. We are so grateful for your generosity!

Hot Lunch – Spring Term Ordering!

Good news! Hot Lunch is back **twice a week** for the Spring Term — **Mondays and Fridays**.

Ordering opens: February 25th
Spring Term runs: Monday, March 30th – Monday, June 22nd
Deadline to order & pay: March 11th at 11:59pm
How to order: www.munchalunch.com

(No late orders can be accepted after this date, so mark your calendars!)

Deadline to request financial assistance for the Spring hot lunch term was Friday March 6th

Need Financial Assistance?

Support is available for families who may need help participating in PAC events (like Family Movie Night) or purchasing Hot Lunches, Spirit Wear, Orange Shirts, or Pink Shirts. Please reach out confidentially to Mr. MacLeod at tmacleod@sd44.ca.

Lunch and After School Programs- Spring Term

Steamoji - Designing for 3D printing

When: Tuesdays - 10 sessions (March 31 - June 2)

Time: 3:00-4:30pm

Age Group: Grade 2 to 4

Where: Computer Lab

Cost: \$385 + 5% GST.

To Register: [Here](#)

Steamoji is a dynamic STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) after school program designed to inspire the next generation of builders, makers, inventors and entrepreneurs. During the term, apprentices will develop 3D modeling and fabrication skills as they design and build their own interactive Action Castle tabletop game. This introductory program requires no prerequisites and provides step by step instruction in a supportive environment where students can explore, create, and bring home a game they designed themselves.

All materials, access to computers and 3D equipment is included. Apprentices will take home projects.

Upper Lynn Sport Explorers:

When: Fridays, April 10 - May 29th (8 sessions)

Time: 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Age Group: Grades 1 to 4

Where: Gym

Cost: \$240 + GST

To Register: [Here](#)

Sport Explorers Play is a high-energy, game-based program that focuses on learning through play. Athletes will participate in a wide variety of structured sport games with modified rules. With a focus on fair play, coordination, game sense, and tactical growth, this program helps athletes build confidence. A rotation of PE games is included to keep engagement high.

Athletes will surely find their love of sport through our Play program!

Chess Club

When: April 7 to June 9 (10 Weeks)
Time: 12:00 – 12:47
Age Group: 6 to 11 (no experience necessary)
Where: MPR
Cost: \$100
To Register: [Here](#)

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 players of various levels.

Reminders

Used Sports Equipment

We are always looking to expand the variety of sports equipment available for students to use during recess and lunch. If your family has gently used balls or other outdoor sports equipment you no longer need and would be willing to donate, it would be greatly appreciated and put to good use by our students. Please contact Mr. MacLeod at tmacleod@sd44.ca if you have items to donate or questions.

Have a wonderful last week before the break!

Tim MacLeod
Principal

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Vice-Principal