



Lyndhurst Elementary School

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February 24th, 2025

Good afternoon, Lyndhurst Families,

We hope that you had a restful weekend after the Earthquake Friday afternoon. We will continue to review safety procedures and protocols (e.g., earthquake drills, fire drills) in case of emergency until the end of the school year and beyond. If you have any questions or concerns about these drills or school safety, please reach out to me.

With gratitude,
Dana Herdman

LEARNING UPDATES (REPORT CARDS)

Term 2 Learning Updates (Report Cards) will be sent home on Thursday, March 13th. Students have been working hard all term with the support of their classroom teachers, learning support staff, non-enrolling teachers, and educational assistants on such things as animal projects, body science research, and literacy activities. They have also been learning songs for our upcoming Primary Days of Music and Intermediate Choir Festival. Please review your child's report card with them. You may keep the report card for your records. Please return the envelope to your child's teacher at your earliest convenience.

PINK SHIRT DAY ASSEMBLY

Our Pink Shirt Day Assembly will take place at 9:00am on Wednesday, February 26th. Everyone is welcome to attend. We encourage everyone to wear pink on this day to support anti-bullying.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – BASKETBALL

A HUGE Lyndhurst Lions ROAR goes out to Mr. Singh and our basketball teams for their outstanding effort this basketball season. The teams improved their skills tremendously over the season and had a lot of fun at the District Recreational Playday hosted by Burnaby Mountain Secondary School. We look forward to seeing this year's Grade 5 and 6 students on the court next year!

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

ART CLUB: Mr. Singh hosts a weekly ART CLUB on Friday at lunchtime. With the help of student leaders and art experts, students in Grades 5, 6, and 7 are learning to crochet, draw, and complete art activities. Thank you for this fun opportunity, Mr. Singh 😊

WEAVING CLUB: Ms. Herdman is teaching students in Grades 4-7 how to weave using a loom. Students are learning tips and techniques from one another to produce small squares and bookmarks. Weaving will take place on Thursdays at lunchtime.

DANCE CLUB: Students in Grades 3 – 7 are all welcome to join Lyndhurst's Dance Club next week. Practices will take place on Tuesdays at lunchtime. Stay tuned for information about our performances.

ULTIMATE FRISBEE LESSONS

Thanks to the generous donation by PAC, we are fortunate to have ELEVATE ULTIMATE FRISBEE lessons at the end of May at Lyndhurst for a week! Students will learn techniques to throw a frisbee with increasing accuracy along with learning about the importance of teamwork and sportsmanship. Thank you, PAC 😊

SPRING CONCERT

On Friday, April 25 at 1:00pm everyone is welcome to join us at Lyndhurst for a music concert by Luke Wallace! Luke is a singer, songwriter, and environmentalist (among other things!) from Vancouver. Students and teachers will be studying his music and singing his songs that focus on the environment and taking care of one another. This concert will tie in nicely with our Earth Week events and environmental awareness.



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ON THE GRASS or BEHIND THE LINE or ON THE SIDEWALK

The driveway and streets that surround Lyndhurst are busy places. In addition to the drop-off and pick-up of students, we also have staff arriving to/leaving from work, school visitors parking in the back of the school, and deliveries of supplies. In order to keep everyone safe at Lyndhurst, we would like students in Divisions 3, 4, and 5 and their parents/guardians to wait “on the grass” or “behind the line” or “on the sidewalk” before they enter the school in the morning and when they leave at the end of the day. We hope that this small adjustment to our usual routines will keep everyone safe.

RECYCLING & COMPOSTING PILOT PROGRAM

Our recycling bins have arrived! Just before Spring Break, Lyndhurst’s pilot program for recycling and composting will begin. Bins will be placed in 5 places around the school (outside the PAC kitchen, in the primary classroom area, in the intermediate classroom area, in the staffroom, and near the daycare downstairs). Black garbage cans will be removed from all classrooms. Composting buckets/bins will be placed in classrooms. Mr. Singh’s leadership students, Mr. Singh, and Ms. Herdman will help everyone with this transition. Thank you for your patience as this program gets started and we work out the new processes and procedures.

A FEW IMPORTANT REMINDERS...

School Website

Our school website is an excellent place to find information about school events, important dates, and links to school district and community services. You can also log your child’s absence through our website.

Please have a look!

[Lyndhurst Elementary | Burnaby School District \(burnabyschools.ca\)](http://burnabyschools.ca)

School Hours & Supervision

The office and school are open from 8:30am – 3:10pm from Monday to Friday with a few exceptions (e.g., Professional Development Days, statutory holidays, etc.)

Just a reminder to families – there is no supervision for students before 8:50am and after 3:00pm unless students are in school programs (e.g., clubs, sports, etc.)

Recess and Lunch Hour

All students will be enjoying the outdoors for 15 minutes at recess and approximately 40 minutes during the lunch hour. Our outdoor time is called a “West Coast Recess and Lunch”. Please ensure that your child is prepared with appropriate clothing for the weather outside throughout the school year.

*****It is highly recommended that all students (Kindergarten to Grade 7) also keep a change of clothes (or two changes of clothes) at school in case it is needed.**

Scent Aware School

Exposure to perfumes, colognes and other scented products can trigger adverse health reactions in some individuals with asthma, allergies, and other conditions. There are quite a few members of our school community who have sensitivities to scents. We respectfully request that if you plan on visiting Lyndhurst, you refrain from wearing scented products.



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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Student Learning Survey 2024/2025

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

This Spring, the Student Learning Survey will be administered at school to students in grades 4 and 7. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey as well, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey>. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 604 296 9020.