



Lyndhurst Elementary School

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Hello, Lyndhurst Families!

This morning was an exceptional end to the 2025 at Lyndhurst! Our breakfast was absolutely delicious with pancakes, sausages, fresh fruit (courtesy of Real Canadian Superstore), and juice. We also had a visit from Santa (Thanks Barry!) and there were a few elves to hand out candy canes! We would like to give a HUGE thank you to our PAC and all of our parent volunteers who did the cooking, serving, helping, cleaning, and keeping everything running smoothly. The students had a wonderful time. This Lyndhurst tradition was such a success for our community! Thank you very much for everything that you do to make Lyndhurst such a special place 😊

On behalf of the Lyndhurst Elementary staff, I would like to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season with your family and friends. We look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

Warmest regards,

Dana Herdman



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Learning Update

Your child/children has/have been working hard all first term on many projects and assignments. It has been my pleasure to visit with them in their classrooms and have conversations about their work and their learning activities. There has been so much growth over the last few months – from learning school routines, to organizing presentations at assemblies, to making new friends at recess and lunch. The children should all be proud of their efforts both in and out of the classroom. All families should have received their child's Learning Update (report card) yesterday afternoon. If you have any questions about your child's/children's learning update, please speak with your child's/children's teacher.

Greater Vancouver Food Bank

Our school community has excelled once again at generosity and kindness. Donations to the Greater Vancouver Food Bank over the last 2 weeks have reached almost \$200 😊
Thank you to everyone for contributing to make the holiday season less stressful for families.

Tennis

We were so fortunate to have Marcus Anderson at Lyndhurst again this year for tennis lessons last week. All of our classes had the opportunity to learn and practice core tennis skills individually. The students then put those skills to use in games and when rallying with a partner. We are grateful for the generous donation of our school PAC and several parent donations that made it possible for all of our students to participate in tennis lessons 😊



Basketball

Our basketball teams are just about ready to start playing! Each team will have lunchtime practices and afterschool games on Tuesdays and Thursdays against other Burnaby Elementary Schools in the New Year. We look forward to hearing all about their competition and successes. Thank you to all of the parents for supporting the players. A HUGE thank you for Mr. Singh for coaching both of the teams. Your leadership is appreciated 😊

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Planting a Promise

Divisions 3 and 4 are part of Planting a Promise, a BC Agriculture in the Classroom program that promotes growing plants at school to learn about their life cycles. These 2 classes planted 50 daffodil bulbs in our front planters. In the springtime, they will track the growth of the daffodils and take responsibility for the care of these flowers. Thank you to our PAC for funding this rich learning opportunity for our students.

In addition to these bulbs, thanks to a generous donation from our school community, we were able to plant over 200 more bulbs, including tulips, crocuses, and blue bells. All of these bulbs, along with the 50 daffodil bulbs, will help to create a beautiful garden in the front of our school in the springtime.

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

We were very fortunate to have Sunny Pallister (Mrs. Joanna's daughter) join us at Lyndhurst on December 3rd for the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. Sunny spoke with the students about different challenges facing those with disabilities and how they can be supported at school and in our community. Thank you for helping us learn, Sunny!



A few important reminders...

Allergies

***We are a NUT AWARE school as there are some students and staff members with nut allergies. We ask that families try to avoid sending their children to school with food items containing nuts.

***We are a SCENT AWARE school as there are some students and staff members with scent allergies. Please refrain from sending your child to school or entering the school with heavy perfumes, lotions, or with clothing dried using scented fabric softeners.

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Recess and Lunch Hour

All students will enjoy 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 “West Coast Lunch” because students go outside rain or shine. Please ensure that your child is prepared with appropriate clothing for the weather outside throughout the school year. It is also highly recommended that students also keep a full change of clothes at school in case they are needed (i.e. pants, shirt, sweater, socks, underwear).

Attendance & Absences

Regular attendance is an essential part in determining student success at school. It is important that our students come to school on time and that their attendance is consistent. In doing so, they can become an active part of the classroom learning community. This in turn causes less anxiety and students will be much more comfortable interacting with their classmates.

Our school hours are Monday to Friday from 8:50am – 3:00pm. If your child is going to be away from school, the best way to let our school staff know is through the online attendance form on our school website:

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=LV7swROUrEgeab99Ida2QuqH1H62JHLLtkh-kWmEZZ1UM0RTVUdITTdWUzMxVDRRM0tCNlpWM0RSSi4u&route=shorturl>

Or, you may email lyndhurst.info@burnabyschools.ca or phone 604-296-9020 and leave a message with your child’s first and last name and division number or the name of their teacher.

Leaving During the Day

If your child leaves during the day, for lunch, or for the afternoon, please inform your child’s classroom teacher and make sure that your child signs out at the office. Students will not be permitted to leave the school grounds during the school day without parental consent.

Late Arrivals

If your child arrives late, they may enter the school through the front doors. Please remind them to sign in at the office before going to their classroom. This ensures that the school office is aware of our students’ attendance.

Tips for Arriving on Time:

- Pack backpacks in the evening
- Have your child get to bed at a reasonable time so they will have an easier time waking up in the morning
- Have your child set an alarm in their own room

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