



Lyndhurst Elementary School

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March 30th, 2026

Welcome back 😊

I hope that everyone had a restful Spring Break with your family and friends and that you are ready for the rest of the school year. We are excited to begin the Term Three together and look forward to all of the learning, growth, and memorable moments that it will bring. As we enter the last term of the 2025-2026 school year, please have a look below at some of our accomplishments, school-wide experiences, and successes from Term Two.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone (604-296-9020) or by email (dana.herdman@burnabyschools.ca)

Kindest regards,
Dana Herdman



Frances Carlick Presentation

We were so fortunate to have a second-generation residential school survivor, Frances (Ceene) Carlick, join us to talk about her experiences in a residential school. A lot of important learning took place as we learned about her life experiences before, during, and after residential school and her life's healing journey. Our students were so engaged as Frances spoke about her history and showed her personal photos. A huge thank you to Mrs. Joanna for introducing us to Frances 😊

Emergency Backpacks

We are grateful to have received a very generous donation from one of our community members. With this donation, we have equipped every classroom and learning space with emergency backpacks (10 backpacks in total). These backpacks will be brought outside during our emergency drills and maintained regularly so that we are prepared in case of an emergency. Each of the backpacks contains the following: a first aid kit, a reflective vest, a flashlight with batteries, a whistle, and communication information for our school staff.

Pink Shirt Day

We had an excellent Pink Shirt Day led by Division 1 and Mr. Singh. We started the day with a thoughtful assembly followed by some kindness activities in all of our classes. We hope that all of our student and community members take the time to remember these important teachings and our Social-Emotional Learning school goal – **Be kind, be safe, and be respectful.**

Dance Club

We are very excited to have a Dance Club again this year. The dancers are working hard with student leaders from Lyndhurst to develop a routine for the Festival of Dance. We are also very fortunate to have Dance leaders from Burnaby Mountain Secondary School to help us with a routine for the Dance Show at Michael J Fox theater in May.

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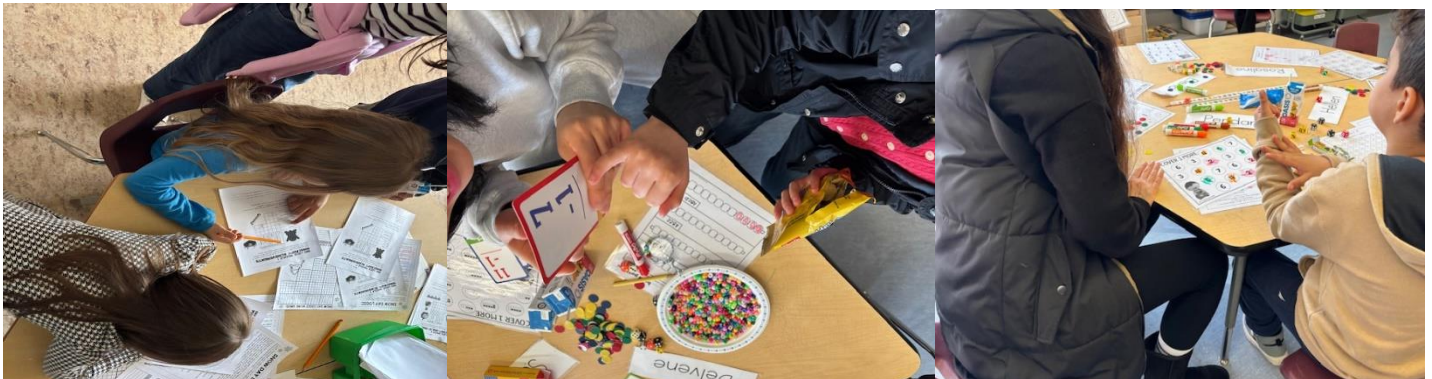
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Literacy Day

We had a wonderful Literacy Day this year at Lyndhurst! We started the day off with an assembly and a story read aloud, led by Ms. Solomon and Mr. Singh - Thank You both! Students had the opportunity to complete literacy activities in their classrooms and, at 1:00pm for our READ-A-THON, they were able to read in the location of their choice around the school. Thank you to all of the families who donated money to supplement our library resources and books!



Family Math Night

One of our school goals is to improve our Math skills so that students may further develop their number sense. This will help with problem solving as they get older and enter high school. Our first Family Math Night this year was a lot of fun for everyone who attended, along with Ms. Nelson and Mrs. Panagiotou! Students played dice and card games with their family and friends. It was nice to see the collaboration and hear the laughter 😊

Our next Family Math Night will be on Thursday, April 2nd from 3:00-4:30pm. This afterschool event will give everyone another opportunity build their math skills while working in a fun environment. This time, students may also bring their own, non-electronic games from home, such as Monopoly, Rumikub, or Blokus just to name a few possibilities. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by phoning the school (604-296-9020) or you may email Ms. Herdman at dana.herdman@burnabyschools.ca

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Basketball

Our Girls and Boys Basketball teams both had excellent seasons this year. They learned many new skills and worked very well together on and off the court. The highlight of the season was the playday at Burnaby North for the boys and Burnaby Mountain for the girls. A huge thank you goes out to Mr. Singh for his coaching expertise and dedication to helping the students improve their basketball skills and further develop their teamwork.



Jump Rope for Heart

We had an outstanding Jump Rope for Heart Day! Our Burnaby School District Superintendent, Karim Hachlaf, joined us in the morning for some skipping and to learn some more about the community-minded efforts at Lyndhurst. We are so pleased that our school raised over \$250 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation! WOW! Thank you very much to Division 2 students and Mr. Lathige for your leadership and for making this fundraiser so much fun! Our students have earned an extra recess and a treat 😊

A few important reminders...

Government of BC Learning Survey

This is just a friendly reminder to complete the survey from the Government of British Columbia. The link can be found below or on the Government of British Columbia website under STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY. The results from this survey are used by schools to inform student learning and by the District for use in the Enhancing Student Learning Report.

[Student Learning Survey for Grades 4, 7, 10, 11 and 12 - Province of British Columbia](#)

DEADLINE: May 1, 2026

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

Thank you very much to everyone for using our "middle" parking lot doors to enter Lyndhurst at the beginning of the day and exit the school at the end of the day. Our students are much safer with this system.

I would also like to remind families that our parking lot in the back of the school is for school staff, deliveries, and maintenance crews only. We do not have enough space in our back parking lot for it to be a drop off or pick up area for students. Please use the streets around Lyndhurst Elementary if you use a vehicle to drop off or pick up your child/children.

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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.

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=LV7swROUrEgeab99Ida2QuqH1H62JHLtkh-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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