



Lloyd George Elementary School

830 Pine Street, Kamloops, BC, V2C 3A1
Phone: 250-374-3174 / Safe Arrival: 250-0150

September 2016

Principal's Message:

Welcome back to school Falcons!

The doors of École Lloyd George are once again open to exuberant and energetic students eager to grow and learn, with the guidance of our committed staff and you, the parents and guardians. We welcome new staff members to our school this year: Mme Van Heerden in grade 7, Mme Moffat in grade 6/7 (until March) and Mme McDiarmid in Kindergarten (until Christmas). Our greatest appreciation is extended to our custodians for doing a wonderful job in getting our building ready for our staff and students. Thanks to the teachers' classroom preparations and the office work of Mrs. Struss, we are ready for a very productive year ahead.

Again this year, school will begin at 8:35am and end at 2:35pm. Nutrition breaks will be at 10:21 to 10:36am and in the afternoon at 12:06 to 12:55pm. Please be advised that supervision starts at 8:20 in the morning and that a staff member is on duty until 2:50pm to supervise bus students. When parents are dropping their child off before 8:20 or picking them up after 2:50, they are choosing to leave their child unsupervised.

As always, we believe that communication between home and school is essential in order for parents to stay informed of their children's progress as well as events and functions that are occurring at school. A school newsletter will be emailed home from the office each month. Please be sure to read this information as its purpose is to keep you informed and up-to-date. You are also encouraged to view our school website, as it will be regularly updated with newsletters, calendars, upcoming information and more throughout the year. We hope that everybody who signed up for our PAC BBQ on Friday September 16th at 4:30 will be able to attend.

Your child will be bringing home important forms throughout this first week that need to be completed and returned to the school as soon as possible to ensure we have updated health and home information. Thank you for assisting us in providing the best care for your child.

We are looking forward to a rewarding and enjoyable year. Just like you, we care about our students and we want them to reach their full potential.

2016-2017 School Learning Goals:

Learning in schools is changing. With these changes you will find your child involved in many new learning situations. As a staff, we will be focusing most specifically on Social Emotional Learning and Developing Higher Order Thinking Tasks this year. We are pleased to be taking these steps together as a staff, with your child(ren), and look forward to your support as parents.

Lloyd George Staff 2016-2017

M Blais	Principal
Mme Steptoe	Vice Principal
Mme Struss	Administrative Assistant
Mme Upshaw	Kindergarten
Mme Luci	Kindergarten
Mme McDiarmid	Kindergarten
Mme Ruston	Grade 1
Mme Koldewijn	Grade 1
Mme Kilmartin	Grade 1/2
Mme Dufour	Grade 2
Mme Girard	Grade 2
Mme Bouchard	Grade 3
Mme Roy	Grade 3
Mme Lebeau	Grade 3/4
Mme Lafleur	Grade 4
Mme Stafford	Grade 4/5
Mme Dwyer	Grade 5
Mme Wight	Grade 5/6
Mme Christine	Grade 6/7
Mme Moffat	Grade 6/7
Mme Van Heerden	Grade 7
Mme Fassler	LART
Mme Cauchon	Library/Innovation
Mr. Hogeveen	Music
Mme Marko	Grade 2/Prep
Mme de Haan	Grade 3
Mme Schafthuizen	Library Assistant
Mme Cuthbert	Aboriginal Education Worker
Mme Hawes	CEA
Mme Gallant	CEA
Mme Marleau	CEA
Mme Wilkie	CEA
M Smit	Custodian
Mme Padda	Custodian
Mme Wenzel	Custodian

Safe Arrival - 250-828-0150

When your child is going to be absent or late for school, please call the Safe Arrival number (250-828-0150). You can call the number at any time to leave a message.

School Bell Schedule

8:20	Doors open
8:30	Warning bell
8:35	Classes begin
10:21-10:36	– Recess
12:06	Lunch starts (no bell)
	Primary students eat from 12:06 - 12:25
	Primary students play from 12:25-12:50
	Intermediates play outside from 12:06 – 12:32
12:32	Intermediates eat from 12:32 – 12:50
12:50	Lunch ends
12:55	Classes begin
2:35	Dismissal
2:50	Supervision outside ends



Picture Day

Get your smiles ready, picture day is coming! Individual and class photos will take place on Friday, September 16th. Picture retakes will be on Tuesday, October 18th.

School Supply Fees

Please watch for the school supply form that will be sent home with your child. We highly recommend that parents use this program as it saves parents time and money and provides consistency of supplies in the classroom.

Medical Alert

Parents/Guardians of students with potentially life-threatening health conditions or allergies are asked to sign the necessary forms at the school office. These forms must be updated every year.

Volunteer Driver Forms

Volunteer Driver Forms need to be filled out whenever you have had to renew your driver's license or insurance. Please pick up a form in the office to fill out if either applies to you.

Signing In

Please be reminded that we require you to sign your child in or out at the office when picking him/her up early or dropping off after the start of the school day.

Playground Safety

To ensure the safety of our students, we ask that bikes and scooters be walked on the school grounds.

Student Drop Off / Pick Up

If you arrive before the end of the day to pick up your children, please wait at the front doors or plan a meeting place outside. The streets around the school become very congested with all the traffic dropping off students. Please consider dropping your child off a little further away. Please do not use the school bus zone on Dominion Street as a drop off point.

Noon Hour Supervisors Needed

We are in need of noon hour supervisors. If you are interested in supervising at noon, even for a day or two a week or on a substitute basis, please contact the office. The pay is \$10.00/hr. (12:00 to 1:00). This is a rewarding job spending time with our wonderful students.

Cross Country Running

Our Cross Country Run Team will be sprinting into action this month. Students in grades 3 and up are invited to join the Lloyd George Cross Country Run Team. The race dates and times are listed below.

- Wed, Sept 14 (3:15 pm) - OLPH Cross Country Run at McArthur Island
- Fri, Sept 16 (1:00 pm) - Dufferin Billy Goat Run
- Wed, Sept 21 - Cliff Weathermon Run at RLC
- Wed, Sept 28 – ASES Run at Westsyde Centennial Park
- Wed, Oct 5 – District Championships at Dallas



Volleyball

The volleyball season will be starting soon. We are looking for coaches for our Tiers 1, 2, and 3 boys' and girls' teams. If you are interested in coaching or helping out in any way, please contact the school.

Lunch Program

The lunch program will continue to be offered this year. Students wishing to participate in the lunch program may fill out a form and pay for lunches ahead of time. Lunch forms will be available at the school office and on the school website. Orders will be due before the end of each month. For this month only, a form will be included in the newsletter. The lunch program will begin Sept. 19th. September meal forms are due Monday, Sept. 12th.



PAC News

The Welcome Back Potluck BBQ will take place on Friday, September 16th at 4:30 pm at the school. In June you ordered your meat and beverage food choices. Parents are reminded to bring an appetizer plate or salad to share along with chairs, plates, and cutlery.

PAC Meetings will be held the third Monday of each month. Parents are invited to attend. This year we will be looking for a new PAC Co-Chair and Secretary.

Family Math Nights

Mark your calendars! Lloyd George is excited to invite you to a series of Family Math Nights on September 20, 21, and 22, 6-7 pm. Further information will be sent home with your child.

Newsletters

In an effort to save paper, school newsletters will be sent out electronically at the beginning of each month. They will also be available on the school website. If you require a paper copy, a few will be available at the office each month.



Board Notes

August 29, 2016

2016-2017 Important Dates



September 16	PAC BBQ
September 16	Picture Day
September 20, 21, 22	Family Math Nights
September 23	Pro-D Day – No School
September 29	Terry Fox Run
September 29	Come Read with Me
October 10	Thanksgiving
October 12	Early Closure – 12:30 Parent Teacher Interviews
October 13	Early Closure – 12:30 Parent Teacher Interviews
October 18	Picture Retake Day
October 21	Pro-D Day – No School
November 11	Remembrance Day
December 5	Pro-D Day – No School
December 7	Early Closure – 12:30 Parent Teacher Interviews
December 12	Christmas Concert
December 16	Last day before Winter Break
January 3	First Day after Winter Break
January 20	Pro-D Day – No School
February 13	BC Family Day
February 24	Pro-D Day – No School
March 17	Last Day before Spring Break
April 3	First Day after Spring Break
April 6	Early Closure – 12:30 Parent Teacher Interviews
April 14	Good Friday – No School
April 17	Easter Monday – No School
April 24	Pro-D Day – No School
May 15	Pro-D Day – No School
May 22	Victoria Day – No School
June 29	Last Day of Classes

Scouts

Kids join scouts for amazing experiences they can't find anywhere else. Scouts is the start of something great. Find out how to become a scout today. Open registration @Aberdeen Elementary September 15, 6pm-7pm in the community room or contact Nina @[\(250\)879-2398](tel:2508792398) or Frank Watson @ [\(250\)372-3742](tel:2503723742).

1. The Board enjoyed a presentation from Lois McNary and Dan Howe of Special Olympics British Columbia. A request was received to have our District partner with Special Olympics BC for the 2017 Summer Games to be hosted in Kamloops July 6-9, 2017.
2. The Board received the annual 2016 Summer Learning Report.
3. The Board received the Projected Regular Enrollment Report for 2016-2017.
4. The Board received the International Education Enrollment Report.
5. The Board received the Graduation Survey Results for 2015-2016.
6. The Board approved Capital Project Bylaw AFG #127109.
7. The Board adopted the Revised Schedule of Board Meetings for 2016-2017.

The next regular Board Meeting will occur on Monday, September 12, 2016 at the School Board Office.

Basketball

Kamloops Hoops is offering fun and affordable basketball groups this fall for boys and girls grades 2-7!! Check out KamloopsHoops.com for full details and online registration.

Kamloops Classic Swimming

For more information and to register, contact admin@swimkamloops.com or visit www.swimkamloops.com

Learn to Dive

Fall Sessions begin September 19th at the Canada Games Pool. To register or for more information call 250-320-0436 or visit riptech.ca

Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance

Our school board is offering you the opportunity to voluntarily purchase student accident insurance through the Kids Plus™ Accident Insurance program, underwritten by Industrial Alliance Insurance and Financial Services Inc.

For more information or to apply online, please visit kidsplus.ca, or speak with a Kids Plus™ Client Service Administrator at 1-800-556-7411.



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September 6, 2016

To: Staff, Parents, and Students:

Re: Welcome Back!

On behalf of the Board of Education of School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson), I welcome you back for another exciting and successful school year. In particular, a warm welcome to all new students, parents, and staff who are joining the district for the first year.

The Board also takes this opportunity to welcome Ms. Alison Sidow, our new Superintendent of Schools. Ms. Sidow has been with the district in the Assistant Superintendent capacity for several years and we are pleased that she has agreed to step into this leadership role. She brings with her many years of teaching, administration, and leadership in both urban and rural school districts, as well as two years working with the Ministry of Education. Please join us in making Ms. Sidow welcome in her new role.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Denise Harper'.

Denise Harper, Chairperson
Board of Education

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WORKING TOGETHER FOR QUALITY PUBLIC EDUCATION



September 2, 2016

Ref: 190266

Dear Parent:

The start of a new school year is an exciting time for students and families. It is also an exciting time for the education sector.

We have a lot to be proud of here in British Columbia. Student outcomes continue to improve. Today 15 percent more students are graduating than in 2001. BC's education system is ranked first in the English-speaking world for outcomes in reading, science and mathematics. Students are finding success in music, in academics, in sports and in every subject in between.

But we have to remember our world is changing. Rather than rest on accomplishments—we need to build on our success to make sure your child's education remains among the best in the world. BC's new curriculum is how we are going to do that.

Our new curriculum will still teach students the basics—reading, writing and math, but in a way that connects them to collaboration, communication and critical thinking skills, which are so important after high school. These are the core skills universities, colleges and employers tell us they are looking for. We are also bringing a new core skill into schools—coding, which teaches students the critical thinking and logical approach crucial for success in tech careers and in almost every other field. We are providing \$6 million for teacher training and technology purchases for schools to bring coding and the new curriculum to life.

During the last school year, we introduced draft new curriculum for Kindergarten to Grade 9. This year, that curriculum will be fully implemented and draft curriculum will be available for Grades 10–12. Teachers will have the option to provide feedback and use this draft curriculum in their classrooms.

While we call it “new” curriculum, it is also a reflection of what has been happening in our classrooms for years. It is the kind of innovation in action that I have seen first-hand, through visits to more than 30 school districts last year.

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**Ministry of
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Changes are also being made to the graduation program. Provincial exams in two core subjects will now be written between Grades 10 and 12, testing the bedrock skills of success—literacy and math. These are the core skills that cut across every subject and are what universities and colleges look at during admissions. And in science and social studies, there will be rigorous classroom-based exams, assessments, tests and projects to measure student progress.

Finally, over the coming months we will ask parents like you how you want to hear about your child's progress in the classroom so you can have input on any changes. We will reach out directly later this fall.

Your children will graduate into a changing and exciting world—and the new curriculum will help make sure they are prepared to meet that future head-on and are equipped for success no matter which path they choose.

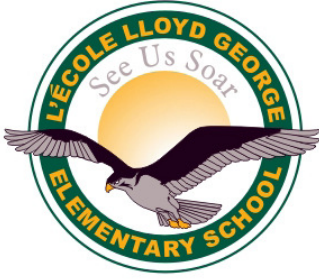
For more details on our curriculum, please visit <http://www.curriculum.gov.bc.ca>.

Sincerely,



Mike Bernier
Minister

pc: Sherry Elwood, President, BC School Superintendents Association
Teresa Rezansoff, President, British Columbia Trustees Association
Kevin Reimer, President, British Columbia Principals' and Vice Principals' Association



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MEALS PROGRAM PERMISSION FORM

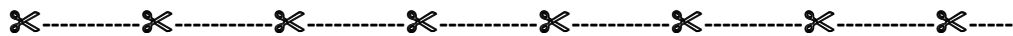
Student's Name: _____ *One form per child please*

Teacher's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Dates on the Program: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Permission form **MUST BE SIGNED** and come back each and every month



September 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
19 <i>Hot</i> Perogies & Smokie Granola Bar 2% Milk	20 Turkey, Cheese, Crackers & Grapes Cookies Apple Juice	21 Chicken Strips & Dip Raspberry Muffin Fruit & Veggie Juice	22 <i>Hot</i> Ham & Cheese Sub Yogurt Cup Chocolate Milk	23 <i>Pro-D Day</i> <i>No School</i>
26 <i>Hot</i> Hot Dog Oatmeal Cookie 2% Milk	27 Pepperoni Pizza Orange Wedges Apple Peach Juice	28 Chicken Bites & Dip Blueberry Muffin Fruit Medley	29 <i>Hot</i> Cheese Ravioli Fresh Fruit 2% Milk	30 Chicken Strip Wrap Fresh Apple Slices Chocolate Milk

The price for the lunch program is \$4.00 per meal. If you are unable to pay this amount, please contact Mr. Blais or Mme Steptoe. Please make cheques payable to Lloyd George Elementary.

Due by Monday, September 12, 2016