



The Falcon Flyer

From the Office of École Lloyd George

September 2024

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

Thank you for a wonderful first week back! I could tell our students were ready to come back and get back to the routines the school provides. We have been busy this week. We started on Tuesday with students visiting with last year's teachers. As a staff, we have noted that students seemed calmer knowing that they were going back to what is familiar to them. Today, we had our "Welcome Back" Assembly and I was so pleased with the level of respect our students show when they all gather together. I want to thank you for preparing your students for the first week and our staff who have been so flexible with everything that has been thrown at them this week. Can't wait for next week!

Mme Dumas

École Lloyd George's Team

Kindergarten

- Mme Denise
- Mme Sherrie
- Mme Melissa

Grade 3

- Mme Marko
- Mme Van Heerden

Grade 4/5

- M. Smith

Grade 7

- Mme Ramunno
- Mme Jenkin

Grade 1

- Mme Ruston
- Mme Roy
- Mme Koldewijn

Grade 3/4

- Mme Slizak

Grade 5

- Mme Wight
- Mme O'Donnell

Fine Arts

- M. Hogeveen

Grade 2

- Mme Harmatuk
- Mme Stafford
- Mme Dymond

Grade 4

- Mme Lebeau

Grade 6

- Mme Ollek
- Mme Gouin

Learning Assistance Teacher

- Mme Allen
- Mme Fennell

<u>Librarian</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mme Bossio • Mme Nevin (Assistant Librarian) <u>Aboriginal Education Worker</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mme Jules 	<u>Prep Teacher</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mme Sarah <u>Day Custodian</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Murphy 	<u>CEAs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mme Hansen • Mme Rottluff • Mme Hobbs • Mme Blokland <u>Office</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mme Struss • Mme Dumas • Mme Hurren
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2024/2025 BELL SCHEDULE

8:27 Line Up Bell

8:30 Warning Bell

8:35 Classes Begin

10:05 Daily Announcements

10:10 Recess Starts 10:25 Recess Ends

12:05 Lunch Begins

12:05 K/3/4/5 EAT - OUTSIDE to PLAY at 12:25 - 1:05

12:05 1/2/6/7 PLAY OUTSIDE - INSIDE at 12:40 to EAT

12:25-12:40- OVERLAP with all outside

1:00 Warning Bell to end Lunch

1:05 Lunch Ends/ Classes resume for afternoon session

2:44 Day of Learning Ends

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN SCHOOL & FAMILIES

- Communication about your child will for the most part come via your child's teacher.
- I will (Mme Dumas) use MyEdBC to send all families general school information every weekend. My weekly emails will give you a detailed update of what is happening in our school for the next two weeks.

- I will also send you a newsletter called the “Falcon Flyer” once a month to communicate what we have been working on related to our School Goals. The Falcon Flyer will also be used to remind our families what’s coming next and also to ask for support (using Safe Arrival, Coaching, Criminal Record Check...).

STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS

Student verification forms will be sent home shortly. Please return them to the school as soon as possible. It is very important for all information to be checked carefully so that we have emergency contact phone numbers and other current information readily available. This information ensures that your child will have appropriate care in the event of injury or illness. **YOUR MOST CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESS IS IMPERATIVE** so please ensure it is correct on this form. **Please be sure to correct both front and back and sign and date the form.**

CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK

Parents/Guardians/Grandparents that are going on any field trip with students, are driving as volunteers or are coming to support with class special events must have a Criminal Record Check. All schools in our District transitioned to this practice last year. The link to the Criminal Record Check is the following: <https://justice.gov.bc.ca/criminalrecordcheck>. The access code is **VHRR44PK8P**. Please note that you do not need a Criminal Record Check done to come and watch your favourite athletes in our gymnasium.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

NOON HOUR SUPERVISORS

We are looking for parents who would be interested in becoming volunteers for the 2024-2025 school year on a regular or on-call basis. If you are interested please visit us at the office or email Mme Hurren (hhurren@sd73.bc.ca). We really need parental or grandparent support in order to keep our children safe both on the playground and while eating. Noon hour supervision duties do receive a small honorarium pay. Please know that a Criminal Record check is required.

ATHLETICS

It’s hard to believe but we are already thinking about our upcoming athletics season. We are always in need of volunteer coaches to help coach our teams! If you are

interested in coaching volleyball or basketball in Grades 5-7, please reach out to Mme Hurren (hhurren@sd73.bc.ca) as soon as possible. Please indicate which age group you'd like to coach. Grade 4 will have the opportunity to participate in intramurals this year to build their skills before they enter into the District league. A valid criminal record check is required to coach the teams.

TERRY FOX RUN

The Terry Fox Run will be Friday, September 13th starting at 1:15pm. Please remember to sign the "Walking" permission form and return it to school before the run. Doing this will ensure your student can participate in the full run around our school's neighborhood.

FIRE DRILLS AND LOCKDOWN PRACTICES

All schools in SD#73 must have 6 fire drills a year and also two lockdown practices. Should your child talk about these drills when they get home, please reassure them that we practice these so that in the event of an emergency we all know what is expected. We will also have an Earthquake Drill in October. I want to remind parents that our drills are never a surprise. You will find the dates of our drills in the "Weekly Updates" sent every Friday. Our first fire drill is on September 10th, at 10:05am.

PHOTO DAY

- Photo Day is October 9th, 2024
- Retake Photo Day is November 6th, 2024

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PAC

PAC would like to remind you that in order to receive their emails, you must email them first to share your contact with them. The school doesn't share your personal information with PAC, but you can let them know you would like to be added to their list by emailing them directly at:

lloydgeorgepac@gmail.com

THREAT ASSESSMENT LETTER 2024/2025

Please take time to read the Threat Assessment letter as sent by the Superintendent.

This letter indicates how our district handles these situations in our schools. THE LETTER IS ATTACHED TO THIS EMAIL.

ELEMENTARY LEARNING UPDATE SCHEDULE FOR 2024/2025

- December 13, 2024 - Reports get published on MyEdBC
- March 12, 2025 - Reports get published on MyEdBC
- June 26th, 2025 - Reports get published on MyEdBC

DISTRICT PARENT ENGAGEMENT SESSION

Thursday, September 26th, 2024, from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM by Zoom

Title: Empowering Parents: Navigating the IEP Process for your Child's Success
Presented by Deanna Brady, District Principal of Inclusive Education and Lise Hyam, District Coordinator of Inclusive Education

In this session, parents and caregivers will gain the knowledge, tools, and confidence needed to actively participate in the Individual Education Plan (IEP) process, ensuring their child's educational needs are met.

The key points this session will cover, include:

- Introduction to the IEP Process
- Parental Involvement
- Understanding IEP Content
- Resolving Disputes
- Building a Collaborative Relationship with the School

If you are interested in attending, please register in advance [here](#). Following your registration, you will receive the link to the meeting.

School Supplies / Student & Family Affordability Fund

School supplies are provided at the school at a reduced rate, and save you the trouble of going out and buying supplies that might not be the right fit. You should have received an e-mail from SchoolCash Online in the first week of school indicating that the system is available for you to pay for school supplies. However, the following is important information for you on how to proceed for this school year.

The District is pleased to announce that the funding from the Provincial Student and Family Affordability Fund is available again for the beginning of the year. The use of these funds will be prioritized to help students and families with the increased cost of living by providing financial assistance for the cost of school supplies, curricular, academy and enhancement fees if needed. Please indicate your consent to use these funds by selecting the

checkbox in SchoolCash when paying online.

For those of you who are new to the District, you will, if you haven't already, receive an e-mail from SchoolCashOnline.com which will prompt you to register for an account. If you are new, the next page will be helpful. SchoolCash Online is also referred to as KEV Cash.



SchoolCashOnline

Some helpful hints for you to manage SchoolCashOnline:

- Your SchoolCash profile must be created with the same email address you have on record in MyEdBC. This match is how SD73 confirms that the SchoolCash profile should have access to the student's school fee information.
- Once the primary parent/contact has signed in (usually mom), they are the only ones able to attach additional users to their child/ren by sending an email to anyone they want to give the ability to pay for fees (i.e. second parent/guardian, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc.). For example, if the mother is the primary contact, the dad won't be able to pay for the kids' fees until mom grants him access. The primary contact will also have the ability to remove any other users from the account.
- If a parent changes the email address they have on file in MyEdBC they will need to change their SchoolCash profile to match. Any changes in the primary parent/contact in MyEdBC will result in access being removed until the primary parent/contact signs in and grants access.
- Until school fees have been assigned to your child/ren, a parent won't have anything to pay when you sign in. This will be dependent on a combination of the student data file being transferred by I.T. to SchoolCash (which we anticipate starting the week of September 7th) and Mme Struss having had the time to attach the fees to students.
- The school recommends for you to create your account with SchoolCash to be ready to pay school fees online and that fees will be assigned once they are available as school schedules are finalized in the coming weeks.
- Also, when you are registering there is a "Say Yes to Email Notifications" that we want to encourage you to say Yes to. This will send you alerts when fees

are attached to your child/ren and when fees are overdue, etc.

École Lloyd George Elementary School - Calendar 2024-2025

The following link will give you access to our school calendar.

[📅 École Lloyd George Elementary School - Calendar 2024-2025 \(September\)](#)