École Ladner Elementary

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Monthly Newsletter

September 2023

Principal's Message



Welcome back to another exciting school year at École Ladner Elementary! The school year is well underway, and it has been such a pleasure to meet new students and families the past few weeks. This will be my last newsletter to this wonderful community as I transition to my new role at DCC, so once again, thank you for all of your support you've shown me, and I know that the school is in wonderful hands with Ms. Matheson as Acting Principal. I wish you all a fantastic school year with new learning, adventure and fun. It's also my pleasure to welcome some new staff to our building. Ms. Bain & Ms. Hansen (Kindergarten), Mme Cameron (French Grade 3/4), Mme Moutal (French grade 4), Mme

Landry-Doran (French Grade 6/7), and welcome back to Mme Axon (French Grade 4/5). We also welcome new EAs Ms. Ghabrial-Lang and Ms. Grisdale, Counsellor Mrs. Kuo, and Child and Youth Care Worker, Ms. Dhillon.

Daily Health Checks



Parents/guardians please continue to assess your child(ren) DAILY for any signs or symptoms of a cold, influenza or Covid-19 prior to their arrival at school. If any signs or symptoms are present, they **MUST stay home** and report their absence by calling the school. As we transition to Fall, and the weather takes a turn, we know that the cold/flu season follows not far behind. We appreciate all your efforts in keeping our community safe and healthy.

Attendance



We know that mornings can be challenging for many families. So if you happen to be running late, remember that safety is no.1, and we want kids to arrive to school safely. With that said, please try and arrive on time for the start of the day, as the school day begins at **8:42am**. If your child will be late or away, please call ahead and leave a message on our answering machine **604-946-4158**. Please note that we are keeping

visitors to the school at a minimum. Our school front entrance will still be limited to staff at this point, and any late students will need to enter through the office to check in and walk to their classrooms.

Preparing For Each Day



Please make sure that your child washes their hands before school, and when they return from school. Your child will be encouraged to use their own items and to not share with others. School supplies should be labelled. Please pack water bottles, as we have water refill stations available.

Please dress for the weather, as we will head outside for recess and lunch most days, even during West Coast rainy season!

Snacks and Lunches



Students need to bring their snacks and lunches for each day. There will be **NO lunch drop offs** at the school during the day. Birthday treats are accepted with health and safety in mind, so please contact your child's teacher to arrange. Please ensure your child has the proper utensils required for their lunches. We do not have extra disposable utensils at the school. Also, student should not be sharing food/snacks with each other to keep everyone safe and healthy!

Parking and Road Safety



Safety for children, parents and staff needs to be everyone's priority. We ask that parents walk/bike to school as much as possible, as it helps alleviate the daily congestion on 44 avenue. It is also imperative that families adhere to the parking signs. Our parking lot is only for staff and **not for parents.** We have had many days where our teachers had nowhere to park until after 9am!

Annual Permission Forms



Every year, parents need to sign onto Parent Connect to complete the permission forms laid out by the Delta School District. These online forms permit items such as: photos, walking field-trips, Fruits and Veggie Programs, and more. Parents are asked to review and respond to ALL permission forms by September 30th.

To access Parent Connect, please visit:

https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignone.aspx

If you forgot your password, or you are signing on for the first time, click on the "FORGOT MY PASSWORD", or "RETRIEVE MY PASSWORD" button and you will receive an email with your new password. Your pop-up blockers must be turned off for Parent Connect. If you do not have an email address on our file, please contact the office.

Medical Alert and Administering Medication at School

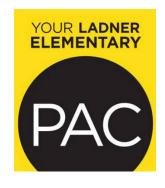


If your child has a serious medical condition that may require emergency care or medication at school, it is the parents'/ guardians responsibility to inform the school and fill out/update a Medical Alert Card. If your child requires medication administered at school, please complete a **Request for Administration of Medication at School** form EACH YEAR. Both forms are available at the school office.

Bike/Wheel to School?



We encourage students to walk, bike or wheel to school whenever possible to help alleviate traffic, and encourage some physical activity! If your child does bring their wheels to school (bikes/scooters), please help us remind them that they must walk their wheels on school property. This means they should not be riding their bikes/scooters around the outside of the school until they are off the property, in order to avoid serious injuries caused by collisions.



Ladner Elementary PAC

Please visit our wonderful PAC website at <u>www.ladnerelpac.com</u> for fantastic fundraising events, and sign up for their newsletters through their website to receive updates directly from the PAC!

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, September 15	Terry Fox Run
Friday, September 22	Pro D Day (No School)
Monday, September 25	PAC Hot Lunch
Tuesday, September 26	PAC Family Fun Night 5:30pm-7:00pm
Monday, October 2	Truth and Reconciliation Day (No School)