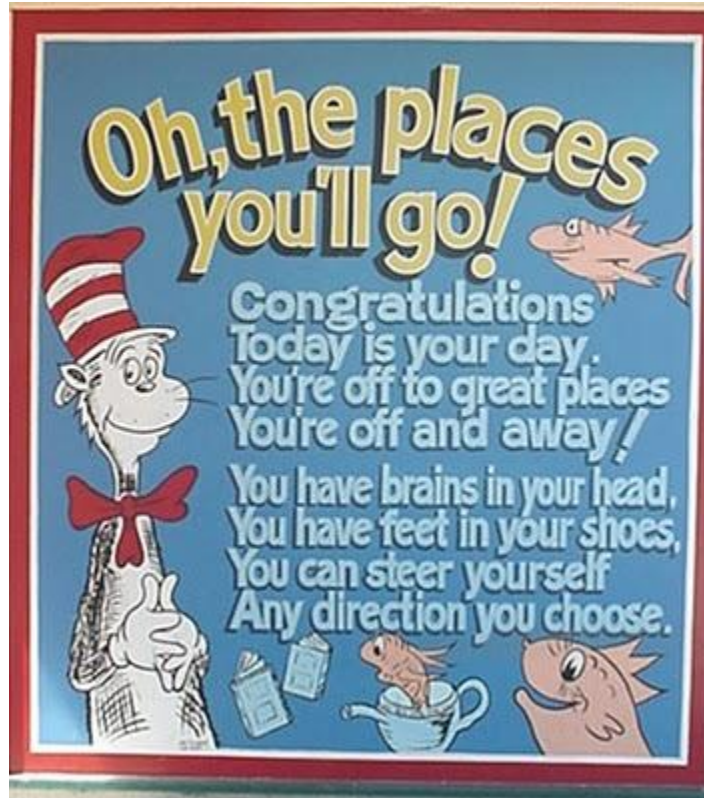




The École Ladner Elementary...  
**Peek at the Week**  
For the Week of December 15 – 19



***Happy Retirement Ms. Smith!!***

**Dear Parents:**

As another year winds its way to a close, it is timely to reflect on our many successes and think ahead to what lies in the future. The students at Ladner Elementary have had a rich and rewarding start to their school year. They are a very involved, caring group of children, and have a strong social conscience. Whether raising funds for the *Terry Fox Foundation* or bringing in canned food items to support the *South Delta Food Bank*, our students continue to exceed whatever charitable goals are established. In addition to their generosity, visitors to our school always comment on the friendliness and outgoing nature of our students. Our students can be proud of themselves and their efforts to help make a difference in the lives of others.

Our PAC has had a great start to the school year! We are incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated group of parents, who are committed to making Ladner Elementary the best that it can be. The efforts of our PAC are very much appreciated and add a dimension to the Ladner EI community that cannot be measured.

Our staff have given of themselves in so many ways. We are thankful for the many talents they share with our students both in the classroom and in those important extracurricular activities. Life at Ladner Elementary is very full and rewarding!

As we move ahead into the year of 2026, we invite you to continue to be an involved member of the Ladner Elementary community in any way you are able. You make such a difference in your child's educational life.

*On behalf of the staff at Ladner Elementary, we'd like to wish you all a very happy and safe holiday season and a Happy New Year!*

*Mr. Ken Levenstein  
Principal*

*Mr. Jonathan Wortley  
Vice Principal*



### Reminders:

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#### Staffing Updates:

- Ms. Turner returns to teach in the library from her Leave of Absence this Monday
  - Ms. Turner will be teaching in the library on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from December 15 – January 30
    - this schedule is to be revisited at the end of January
  - this week, Ms. Urdes will teach in the library on Thursday and Friday
  - for the month of January, Mme. Loukidis will teach in the library on Thursdays and Fridays
- Mr. Chang has taken a Leave of Absence from December 15 (tomorrow) until June 30
  - we are in the process of filling this position and will let the community know our plans for this position as soon as it has been filled
- Ms. Smith will be retiring at the end of December... her last day of work will be this Friday
  - Ms. Smith will be missed by the staff and students at Ladner Elementary and we wish her well in her future endeavors!
- Ms. Smith's EA position was posted by HR as a Temporary Contract until June 30 and the successful candidate for the position was Derek Wong
  - Mr. Wong will start in his new position as an EA at Ladner Elementary on January 5
- Mme. Loukidis' Temporary Contract as the teacher of Division 21 will be ending this Friday
  - Mme. Kongsilp (née Mme. Lydster) will be returning from her Maternity Leave to teach in Division 21 on January 5

### **Spirit Week:**

- the *Ladner Elementary Spirit Committee* has planned the following Spirit Week to lead us into the Winter Break:
  - Monday, December 15: *Winter Sports Day*
    - students and staff are asked to dress in clothing related to a winter sport (e.g. a hockey jersey)
  - Tuesday, December 16: *Holiday Hats Day*
    - students and staff are asked to wear a holiday hat to school
  - Wednesday, December 17: *Holiday Socks Day*
    - students and staff are asked to wear holiday socks to school
  - Thursday, December 18: *Cozy Pajama Day*
    - students and staff are asked to wear cozy pajamas and/or cozy robes to school
  - Friday, December 19: *Holiday Sweater Day*
    - students and staff are asked to wear their favourite holiday sweater to school
- a huge THANK YOU to the *Ladner Elementary Spirit Committee* for organizing this experience for our students!

### **Winter Concerts:**

- our primary and intermediate winter concerts are set to take place this Wednesday
- our primary concert will take place at 1:30 pm
  - doors to the concert will open to parents at 1:15 pm (gym doors)
- our intermediate concert will take place at 6:00 pm
  - intermediate students are asked to be at school for 5:30 pm
    - students in the main building are to enter through the doors at the front of the school
    - students in the modular building will enter through the modular doors
  - doors to the concert will open to parents at 5:45 pm (gym doors)
- admission to the winter concerts will be by donation (cash) will all monies raised going to the *South Delta Food Bank*
- our intermediate winter concert dress rehearsal will take place this Monday at 1:00 pm
- our primary winter concert dress rehearsal will take place this Tuesday at 1:00 pm

### **Term One Reports:**

- term one reports will be available to families on *Parent Connect* this Wednesday (on or after 3:00 pm)
- we hope families use the report as a chance to talk with your child about their progress at school
- the written comments will provide some very helpful information for your child about how hard they are trying at school
- celebrate those comments that tell you your child is trying their best
- for parents and/or guardians of students with IEPs, AIPs, and Learning Plans, instructions on locating these progress reports on Parent Connect can be found on the *DeltaLearns* website at the following link:
  - [Inclusive Learning - Resources for Parents](#)

# Ladner Elementary PAC Peek at the Week Dec.14th

 LADNER EL SAVINGS CARDS   
FOR SALE STARTING DECEMBER 17TH  
AT THE WINTER CONCERT PAC CONCESSION

**\*\*\$20 PER CARD\*\***

**ETRANSFER**

[LEPACINFO@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LEPACINFO@GMAIL.COM) TO SECURE YOUR  
SAVINGS CARD AND HAVE IT DELIVERED TO YOUR  
CHILD'S CLASSROOM AT THE END OF DAY ON  
THURSDAY DECEMBER 18th!!!

 DECEMBER 17TH WINTER CONCERT 

 PAC CONCESSION OPEN AT BOTH CONCERTS 

SAVINGS CARDS \$20



HOT CHOCOLATE \$2

CANDY BAGS \$2

**\*\*CASH ONLY\*\***

**\*\*LIQUIDS REQUIRED TO BE DISPOSED OF BEFORE  
ENTERING THE GYM\*\***

LADNER EL SPIRIT WEAR

 DELIVERY SOON - IF YOU WISH FOR US TO NOT  
DELIVER YOUR ORDER TO THE CLASSROOM,  
PLEASE EMAIL US TO LET US KNOW 

**COMING SOON**

**WEST COAST SEEDS FUNDRAISER IS COMING IN  
THE NEW YEAR!!!**



### This Week:

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- Monday** = Spirit Day: *Winter Sports Day*  
 = Div. 5, 23, 24 + Mr. Levenstein: Delivering Holiday Cards to Neighbours at 9:00 am  
 = Intermediate Winter Concert Dress Rehearsal at 1:00 pm
- Tuesday** = Spirit Day: *Holiday Hats Day*  
 = Primary Winter Concert Dress Rehearsal at 1:00 pm
- Wednesday** = Spirit Day: *Holiday Socks Day*  
 = Term One Reports Available on Parent Connect (on or after 3:00 pm)  
 = Primary Winter Concert at 1:30 pm (Gym Doors Open at 1:15 pm)  
 = Intermediate Winter Concert at 6:00 pm (Gym Doors Open at 5:45 pm)
- Thursday** = Spirit Day: *Cozy PJ Day*  
 = Div. 10, 13, 14, 17, 21: DSS for Play *Elf Jr.* at 10:00 am  
 = Div. 7, 8, 12, 15, 16, 25: DSS for Play *Elf Jr.* at 12:30 pm
- Friday** = Last Day of School Before Winter Break!  
 = Spirit Day: *Holiday Sweater Day*  
 = Div. 5 & 6: Ice Skating at Ladner Leisure Centre from 1:00 – 2:30 pm  
 = ~~Grade 7 Drop-In Co-Ed Basketball from 3:00 – 4:00 pm (with Ric Pearce)~~  
 \*\* CANCELLED \*\*



### Coming Your Way Soon:

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- January:**      **05**      School Re-Opens from Winter Break