



Lord Baden-Powell Elementary

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"At Lord Baden-Powell Elementary our mission is to encourage a sense of community by providing opportunities that include and nurture all learners respecting their diversity."

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NEWSLETTER #04

This is an important document. Please arrange to have it translated

此為重要文件,請翻譯成中文.

이것은 매우 중요한 서류입니다, 정확한 번역을 부탁드립니다.

این مدارک از اهمیت ویژه ای برخوردار است لطفا ترجمه شده آن را در خواست بفرمایید.

ESTE ES UN DOCUMENTO MUY IMPORTANTE. POR FAVOR, TRATE DE QUE SE LO TRANSLADEN AL ESPAÑOL LO MAS PRONTO POSIBLE.

To jest ważny dokument. Prosimy o przetłumaczenie go.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Happy New Year to you all! I trust you not only found some time to relax during the holidays, but also made more special holiday memories with relatives and loved ones.

Similar to last year, I would like to thank those parents who came out to our pancake breakfast with Santa on the last day of school before the holidays. A number of you parent volunteers arrived as early as 7:00 a.m. that (icy and cold) morning, decorating and setting up the gym and preparing well over 500 pancakes for our hungry students. In fact, we had so many pancakes we were even able to donate about 200 pancakes to the Port Moody Food Bank. Thank you so much! Preparation, parents and partnership – and in this case pancakes galore - is what it takes for events like these to be joyous occasions and one of my favourite days of the school year!

Many of you attended one of our Christmas concert performances during the last week of school. Thanks to all LBP staff and students who worked so hard and put in so many hours to make this event such an enjoyable experience.

Please review our school's calendar for important upcoming events. There will be a Late French Immersion presentation by Banting staff and students on Tuesday January 13th here at LBP. Please contact Banting Middle School directly if you have any questions about this program (604.939.9247).

The majority of our grade 4 students will be participating in the Foundations Skills Assessment test (FSA) in January and February. Some students can and will be exempt from writing the test. Parents who do not wish their children to write the test due to extenuating circumstances must inform the principal in writing prior to January 14. Please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Jankowiak if you have any questions regarding the FSA test.

Please note that due to student led- or parent/teacher conferences on Tuesday February 3 and Wednesday February 4, students will be dismissed at 1:55 p.m. on both days.

As it was last year, Spring Break will be two weeks again this year (March 9 – March 20). School reopens on March 23.

Last but not least, please make sure your children are dressed appropriately on wet, rainy and (if the weather forecasts are accurate) on snowy days as well. As mentioned in a previous newsletter, please check our district’s website (www.sd43.bc.ca) or AM News 1130 (after 6:00 a.m.) for potential snow day school closures in Coquitlam.

Sincerely,

Marco Jankowiak
Principal



Welcome to LBP



Kean Brown Div 6 – Ms Clay
June Brown - Div 10 - Ms. Nielsen



Are Insects Edible?



Ms. Appleby's class was wondering this very thing and as a matter of fact yes, some insects are edible and considered a delicacy in some parts of the world. As a culmination to our study of insects, students were given a choice to try a new form of food...BBQ larvets, chocolate dipped grasshoppers and salt n' vinegar cricke-ettes!





Read-a-thon



In conjunction with our next Book Fair, Feb 3-4th, Ms. Caspar has invited all students to participate in a Read-a-thon. Students who wish to participate will ask friends and family to pledge them and then commit to reading (or being read to) at least 20 minutes a day for two weeks (Jan 11-24). They will bring all money to school on Tuesday, Jan 27th and be given a certificate for 50% of their pledge money, as will their classroom teacher, to spend at the Book Fair. The more money spent at the Fair, the more books Scholastic gives to the library, as well. It's a win/win/win situation! All necessary paperwork (reading calendar, instructions etc.) were sent home last week. Students who don't wish to get pledges are encouraged to participate in the reading part and be entered in the many prize draws.



Chess Club sign up for the grade 3, 4 and 5 students will be Tuesday January 12 at 12:00 in the library. Start sharpening your skills at chess! If you have never played before you can still come out and learn. Our tournament begins after Spring Break! Hope to see you there! Ms. Bagan

JANUARY 2015	
5	• Schools Reopen after Winter break
12	• PAC Meeting @ 7pm in Library
13	• Banting Late French Immersion Presentation in Library @ 9:30am
22	• Tapco Performance in Gym 9:15-10:25
23	• Recognition Assembly in Gym at 9:15
26	• School Based Pro D Day
28	• Place Maillardville Registration at 2:45 pm

FEBRUARY 2015

Feb 2-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hip Hop Week
Feb 3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Led & Parent/Teacher Conferences • Early Dismissals at 1:55pm
Feb 3, 4 & 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kindergarten Registration
Feb 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross Catchment process starts at 9:00am and goes until Feb. 18th at 4:30pm. Applications accepted online and at Board Office.
Feb 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BC Family Day
Feb 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Pro D Day

COLD WEATHER DAYS

Please speak with your children about putting on their coats or jackets when they go outside to play. Also, please send a change of shoes and pants so if they do get wet during breaks they can change into warm, dry clothing. When we have very poor weather, students who are staying indoors during the lunch hour. They are expected to stay in their own classrooms and do quiet activities.



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INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of heavy snowfall, ice or high wind, please listen to CBC 690 AM, CKNW 980 AM, or CKWX 1130 AM radio stations for possible school closure information.

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other weather conditions. All schools in the Coquitlam School District will remain **OPEN**, if at all possible, during winter weather, including snowfall. Any district-wide or partial closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced via **School District 43: website www.sd43.bc.ca** and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.

Making Sense of Anxiety

Wednesday, February 11th
7:00—9:00

Hillcrest Middle School
Gymnasium

Parents of school-aged children in our community are encouraged to attend!

No advance registration required

Admission:

A donation for the foodbank: a can or two of food or a “Toonie”

Hope to see you there!

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There is currently an epidemic of anxiety affecting children of all ages. Anxiety can take many forms including obsessions, compulsions, phobias, panic, sleep issues, physical illnesses, as well as a host of perplexing behaviours such as seeking attention and avoiding situations. Today’s world can create many challenges for children with school pressures, peer interactions, family dynamics, negative self-image, perfectionism, and many other stressors that can impede a child’s ability to play, learn and grow. Whether it’s the natural, episodic worries of childhood, or more profound and crippling versions of anxiety, family therapist Colleen Drobot will help make sense of the roots of anxiety using Dr. Gordon Neufeld’s approach. Through stories, examples, and theory, Colleen will suggest ways in which parents can help support their children to find psychological and emotional rest in their world.

Colleen Drobot

B.Ed., Dip. Of Special Education
Registered Professional Counsellor (RPC)
Faculty, Neufeld Institute



Colleen Drobot is a registered professional counsellor and parent consultant with a private practice in West Vancouver. She works with adults, families, and adolescents. She is also an educator with the Coquitlam School District and has over 20 years experience working with children in the regular classroom or in special needs settings. She is a faculty member of the Neufeld Institute and has worked with Dr. Neufeld’s approach for many years. Colleen is a mother of two and draws from her personal as well as professional experience to support parents and professionals in gaining insight, opening their hearts.

Kindergarten Registration for September 2015

When Can My Child Start Kindergarten?

Children who are five years old on or before December 31, 2015 may enter school in September 2015. You may defer your child's enrolment until September 2016.

When Should I Register My Child?

Kindergarten registration (except for Programs of Choice - Montessori, Bilingual Mandarin, Reggio and French Immersion) within School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) will be held on **February 3, 4, 5** in all elementary schools. If you are interested in registering your child in one of our Programs of Choice please visit www.sd43.bc.ca for more information on application deadlines and Parent Information meeting locations.

All students must be registered for Kindergarten at their catchment area school. To determine your catchment school access the school locator on the District website. If parents wish their child to attend an out of catchment school they will be provided the opportunity to apply for a cross catchment transfer, beginning on February 6, 2015 with the deadline of February 18, 2015 (visit our website for more information). If enrolment projections show that space is available, cross-catchment transfer applications will be accepted in accordance with the following priorities: (i) catchment area child; (ii) non-catchment area child; and (iii) non-school district child.

Please note that siblings of students who will be in attendance at a school are considered as a catchment area child at that school. Students with sibling status still need to complete a cross catchment form. Please refer to our district website for more information on the cross catchment process.

Can I use my childcare facility address to determine my child's school attendance area?

According to the School Act, enrolment can only be based on the home address.

Should I Bring Anything for Registration?

Please bring the following documents:
Proof of citizenship for parent & child (one of): birth certificate; passport; PR Card; Canadian Citizenship Card.
Proof of B.C. residency for parent (one of): rental contract; property purchase contract; income tax statement; property tax statement; and 2 of the following documents: utility bill; B.C. driver's licence; B.C. vehicle registration; Canadian bank or credit card statement; B.C. ID.
Proof of Guardianship: please refer to 'Funding Eligibility Checklist' on our website or contact your neighbourhood school.

NON-RESIDENTS

Please contact the International Education Department @ 604-936-5769 or visit at 1100 Winslow Ave., Coquitlam. Bring along proof of citizenship for parent and student, proof of residency and proof of guardianship (if applicable).



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 43 (COQUITLAM)

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KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION NOTICE

Kindergarten registration for September 2015 will be held throughout the district on February 3, 4, 5, 2015.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION **Birth year must be 2010.**

Parents should register their children at the elementary school serving their neighbourhood/catchment. Please bring the following documents:

Proof of citizenship for parent & child (one of): birth certificate; passport; PR Card; Canadian Citizenship Card.

Proof of BC residency for parent

ONE of: rental contract; property purchase contract; income tax statement; property tax statement.

And TWO of the following documents: utility bill; BC driver's licence; BC vehicle registration; Canadian bank or credit card statement; BC ID.

Only those students who are five years of age on or before December 31, 2015 can be accepted for September 2015.

Further information on the Kindergarten program may be obtained by phoning your neighbourhood elementary school.

PLEASE NOTE:

Kindergarten Registration forms for Bilingual Mandarin, Montessori and Reggio will be handed in at the district office.

Cross Catchment Applications will be accepted starting Feb. 6th at 9am until Feb. 18th at 4:30pm.

Note: You must register at your catchment school before completing a cross catchment application