

# RAPTOR REPORT

Feb. 28th 2025

Dear BGMS Families,

We've had another wonderful few weeks of learning here at BGMS. Shout out to our WEB Leaders who left personal messages of kindness to each staff member bringing an additional smile to everyone's face last week.

Sincerely, Mrs. Burns



Sandra Legault, our amazing Breakfast Club volunteer always has a smile on her face. We appreciate you, Sandra!

Reminder to all of our growing Middle School Raptors, breakfast is free. Just drop in when the door opens at 8:15am and come hungry 'cause the food is good!

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## STOP SIGN REMINDER



When leaving our parking lot, please ensure you stop at the stop sign before entering onto 27<sup>th</sup> Ave.

- Traffic on the road has the right of way.
- Traffic exiting the parking lot must stop before proceeding.

We've had a few close calls at that intersection. Please follow the rules of the road and go slowly to ensure everyone's safety. Thank you for driving with care.

Raptor Traits are on display all day every day at BGMS...how has your child demonstrated the trait of **RESPONSIBILITY** at home recently? At school, we are focused on arriving on time ready to learn, completing schoolwork during the assigned timeframe, keeping our school grounds litter free, modelling mature and safe use of technology, and owning choices made. Go Raptors!



## SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR

Our current spirit wear supplier, Yaphee, is closing up shop. We are currently working on selecting a new supplier. In the meantime, please do not place any further spirit wear orders with Yaphee.



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## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Mon. March 3	❖ Aldergrove Night of Music 6:30pm at ACSS
Fri. March 14	❖ Formal Learning Updates (report cards) issued ❖ Last day before Spring Break
Mon. March 31	❖ First Day Back after Spring Break ❖ Exploration Rotation #5 starts
Wed. April 30 & Thurs. May 1	❖ Parent Teacher Conferences ❖ 1 hour early dismissal both days
Mon. June 16	❖ House Wars
Fri. June 20	❖ Grade 8 Farewell (AM – Families attend)



We love ensuring kids are connected to school and one of the best ways for that to happen is for them to join a club. Here is what is currently on offer for your child to get involved in during the school week at BGMS:

### Lunchtimes

- Monday – Crotchet Club, Animé Club, Creative Writing Club
- Tuesday – Pokemon Club, Debate Club
- Wednesday – Beyblade Club, Mindful Colouring Club
- Thursday – Creating Space Club, Reading Raptors Club, Coding Club
- Friday – Fitness Circuit Training for Gr8's

### Afterschool

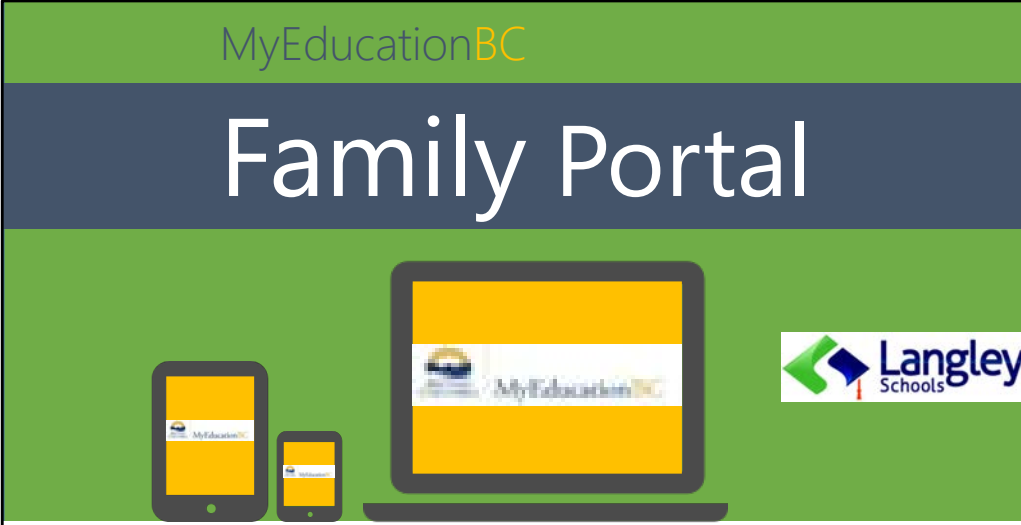
- Wednesday – Choir
- Thursday – Drama

It's not too late to join. Kids are always welcome to try something new and drop into any of our clubs. Shout out to all of the staff members who volunteer their time to sponsor these clubs. New clubs will ne starting up after Spring Break – stay tuned!

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## UPCOMING FORMAL LEARNING UPDATES (REPORT CARDS)

A reminder that Formal Learning Updates will be available for viewing and downloading using MyEdBC on Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Please check that you have current access to your child's account by following the instructions below.



**MyEducationBC**  
**Family Portal**

**Langley Schools**

-  **Login ID: sd35-xxxxxxx**  
both logins and passwords are case sensitive. Logins should be all lower case.
-  **One login ID**  
should give parents access to all their children's information.
-  **Passwords are good for 90 days**  
to protect your child's data and you will be prompted to change your password.
-  **Published Report Cards**  
It is recommended that you save the PDF documents as the report card is only posted on the Family Portal for a limited time.
-  **Forgot password?**  
Please click "I forgot my password" on the log on screen or please submit a request [here](#)
-  **How to use the Family Portal**  
Please visit our website [here](#).
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-  **Need Help?**  
Please submit a request through our website <https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/myedbc-family-portal-help/myedbc-request-for-assistance-form/>
-  **For more information**  
<https://www.sd35.bc.ca/students-parents/myedbc-family-portal-help/>

## ELL Reports

Term 2 Learning Updates for ELL students will be published and available for viewing on March 7<sup>th</sup>.

# ALDERGROVE NIGHT OF MUSIC

A single black musical note with a stem and a flag, positioned to the right of the main title.

**FREE  
ENTRY**

**MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025**

**6:30 PM @ ACSS LARGE GYM**

**FEATURING:  
PARKSIDE ELEMENTARY  
BETTY GILBERT MIDDLE  
ALDERGROVE SECONDARY**

SEAT CUSHIONS FOR  
SALE AT THE DOOR &  
BAKE SALE FOLLOWING  
THE CONCERT



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## LEAP (Langley Environmental Awareness Program)

Just this week, students at Willoughby, Richard Bulpitt, and Donna Gabriel Robins elementary schools received a visit from the Travelling Outdoor Education Roadshow. This exhibition was geared towards intermediate students and participants were able to rotate through multiple hands-on and nature inspired stations, as well as Q&A with current LEAP Outdoor Education Student Ambassadors. Unfortunately, our traveling roadshow team is not able to visit all elementary schools across the District, but we would like to extend a special invitation to intermediate families from throughout the District to attend a targeted parent information evening. This information session is for families interested in intermediate enrolment for the 2025-2026 school year (grade 5-7 students).

Please join us on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in the Fort Langley Elementary School Library (8877 Bartlett Street in Fort Langley).

## Screenagers – School Age Edition: Community Screening and Expert Q&A April 9, 2025

Physician and filmmaker Delaney Ruston examines the growing impact of screen time on young children, exploring the challenges families and educators face in managing digital use. Through personal experiences, expert insights, and the latest research, the film addresses key issues such as social media pressures, video gaming, screen time limits, and the effects of early exposure to technology.

Offering practical strategies for fostering healthy digital habits, Screenagers: Elementary School Age Edition is a must-watch for parents, teachers, and caregivers looking to guide children toward balanced tech use. View trailer: <https://youtu.be/EzzzeCny6oU>

**FREE EVENT:** Join other Langley parents and caregivers for a 55-minute documentary screening followed by a Q&A with expert panelists.

**Eventbrite ticket page:** <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/screenagers-elementary-school-age-edition-tickets-1234161352829?aff=ebdsshcopyurl&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=organizer-profile&utm-share-source=organizer-profile>

**Facebook event page:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/1140497717607292>

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## **Raising Digitally Resilient Kids - Parent Workshop/Resource**

The *Raising Digitally Resilient Kids* parent workshop outlines how parents and guardians can support children's well-being and help them balance the risks and benefits of digital media. Based on insights from MediaSmarts' research with youth, the workshop provides an overview of online risk categories and provides resources and essential strategies that participants can take to manage these risks. You can find all of these resources at the link below:

[https://mediasmarts.ca/digital-media-literacy/workshops/raising-digitally-resilient-kids?mc\\_cid=cadc5a99de&mc\\_eid=43f3fb04f2](https://mediasmarts.ca/digital-media-literacy/workshops/raising-digitally-resilient-kids?mc_cid=cadc5a99de&mc_eid=43f3fb04f2)

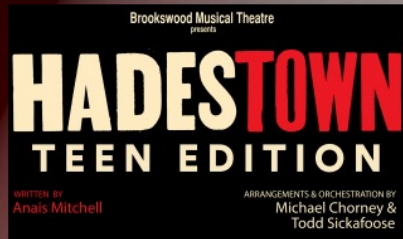


Canada's Centre  
for Digital Media  
Literacy





2024 THEATRE SEASON 2025



**Brookwood  
Theatre**

Feb 19 - 22 & Feb 26 - March 1  
Performance Time: 7PM.  
Admission \$18, Reseverd Seating  
<https://cur8/projects/bsstheatre>  
2025



**D.W. Poppy  
Secondary**

February 27th - March 1st &  
March 6th - 8th  
7PM Shows Contact:  
[alicia.robinson@sd35.bc.ca](mailto:alicia.robinson@sd35.bc.ca)  
for more info.



**Langley Secondary  
School**



7pm Shows: Feb 27 - March 1,  
March, 6 - 8  
2pm Matinees: March 1, March 8  
<https://bit.ly/LSSLightningThief>



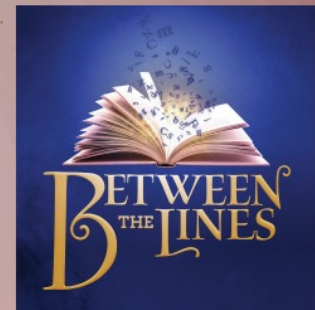
**Langley Fine Arts  
School**

Drama Ensemble  
April 8-12th  
[www.cur8.com](http://www.cur8.com)



**North Otter  
Elementary School**

April 28- May 2, 2025  
Tickets on SchoolCashOnline 3 weeks  
prior to the shows

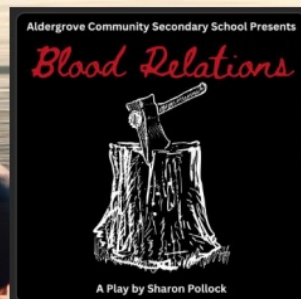


**Walnut Grove  
Secondary**

7PM Shows  
May 1-3 & 8-10  
[www.cur8.com](http://www.cur8.com)



**U-Connect  
Secondary**  
Chief Sepass Theatre  
May 3rd, 4th, 2025  
7PM Shows  
[www.cur8.com](http://www.cur8.com)



**Aldergrove  
Secondary**  
May 21-23 & May 28-30  
7PM Shows  
For more information  
<https://acss.sd35.bc.ca>



'intheknow'

# Connect and Learn

For families and caring adults who are parenting a child or youth with mental health and/or substance use challenges.

EVERY MONTH, WE HOST EVENTS FOR FAMILIES CALLED 'IN THE KNOW'. WE WATCH A VIDEO AND SHARE EXPERIENCES AND STRATEGIES THAT HELP IN THE HARD MOMENTS. WE HELP FOCUS ON STRENGTHENING OUR UNDERSTANDING AND CONNECTION WITH OUR KIDS.

## Explosive Behaviour in Teens: Strategies to Empower Families

When our teens are showing up in explosive ways, we sometimes blame ourselves. Discover with us as a therapist explains some causes of explosive behaviour and strategies that support parents and teens.

Join Victoria Keddiss as she hosts a conversation with Kirk Shields-Priddy, MSW/RSW Group and Family Therapist with Fraser Health START Program.

Come together and watch a video presentation and stay for a facilitated conversation by our Family Peer Support Workers.

Cost: Free of Charge

Date(s):

Tuesday, March 4th at 6:30pm (Most of BC)

Wednesday, March 5th at 6:30pm (Most of BC)

Tuesday, March 11th at 6:30pm (Most of BC)

Wednesday, March 12th at 12:00pm (Most of BC)

Tuesday, March 25th at 6:30pm (Most of BC)

Registration required:

[www.familysmart.ca/events](http://www.familysmart.ca/events)



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## LATE or ABSENT?

To report an absence, please call the office at 604-856-8178 and press 1 to leave a voicemail.

**IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE ABSENT OR LATE,  
PLEASE LET US KNOW BEFORE 8:45AM.**

Parents can also input an absence using our online form although we have had a few technical glitches with that system so apologies if we do not receive your submission and call to inquire about the safety of your child.

<https://bgms.sd35.bc.ca/our-school/attendance/>

## **Offering to be a parent driver for one of our sports teams?**



First, thank you so much. Without your help we would not be able to attend most of our 'away games'

Second, the District has increased the paperwork you need to complete. Please don't let that deter you, but please do plan ahead:

1. **Fill out a volunteer driver form (attached to this newsletter)**
2. **Provide copies of your driver's license, ICBC insurance, and private insurance (if applicable)**
3. **Provide your ICBC Driver's Abstract:  
<https://onlinebusiness.icbc.com/cliio/>**

Finally, if you are able to pop into the office in the days preceding game day, we can help you with making copies of your documents and clearing you to drive without you needing to wait in a long line.

Your help and support is very much appreciated. ☺



## VOLUNTEER AUTOMOBILE DRIVER AUTHORIZATION (ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE)

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Volunteer Driver:

Thank you for volunteering to drive students. Your assistance is much appreciated. The responsibilities in regards to transportation of students can be found in [Administrative Procedure 562 Transportation of Students Travel for Field Trips and Extracurricular Trips](#). To protect our children and you as a driver, we ask that you complete the following. You will need to provide the school a copy of your driver's license, driver's abstract and your current Autoplan Insurance Policy, the policy must include a minimum \$2 million liability insurance.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Infraction-free Driving Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Seating Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ Booster Seat Capacity: # of no-back \_\_\_\_\_ # of high back \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby affirm that I have never been convicted of impaired driving or any other criminal driving offense. If I have a serious traffic violation after providing my driver's abstract, I will inform the school principal and withdraw as a volunteer driver. I acknowledge the requirement that all vehicle occupants must use seat belts and where applicable, booster seats. I affirm that I will operate the vehicle in a safe and legal manner, and I will be responsible for the proper installation of booster seats that are supplied by parents or the school in my vehicle, if they are required. I will not allow any child under the age of 12 to sit in the front seat of the vehicle if it is equipped with a passenger side airbag unless the airbag can be legally deactivated.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Driver

**School Administration Approval:**

Copy of Driver's License

Copy of Driver's Abstract  
(Confirm no recent serious traffic violations)

Copy of Insurance Coverage  
(Confirm min \$2M Liability Ins.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Principal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## Parents and Guardians

### You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service\* just by sending a text message of “Y” or “Yes” to our school’s short code number:

For **CANADA-BASED** numbers: **978338**

For **US-BASED** numbers: **61569** (see next page for QR code)

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with “Stop”.

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge™, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.

For **CANADA-BASED** numbers:

**Opt-In from  
your mobile  
now!**



**Just send “Y”  
or “Yes” to  
978338.**

(For Canada-based numbers).



\*if your number is Canada-based.

**School District #35 (Langley)**  
**2024-2025 School Calendar**  
**Middle Schools**

MONTH	DATE	
September	Sep 2 (M)	<b>Labour Day (Schools Closed)</b>
	Sep 3 (T)	Schools Open
	Sep 30 (M)	<b>Truth and Reconciliation Day (Schools Closed)</b>
October	Oct 4 (F)	<b>School Improvement Day (students not in attendance)</b>
	Oct 14 (M)	<b>Thanksgiving (Schools Closed)</b>
	Oct 23 (W)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
	Oct 24 (Th)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
	Oct 25 (F)	<b>Professional Development Day (Provincial - students not in attendance)</b>
November	Nov 8 (F)	<b>Learning Update Prep/Design &amp; Assessment Day (students not in attendance)</b>
	Nov 11 (M)	<b>Remembrance Day (Schools Closed)</b>
	Nov 29 (F)	Learning Updates Issued
December	Dec 20 (F)	Last Day Prior to Winter Break
January	Jan 6 (M)	Schools Re-Open After Winter Break
February	Feb 10 (M)	<b>Professional Development Day (District - students not in attendance)</b>
	Feb 17 (M)	<b>Family Day (Schools Closed)</b>
	Feb 24 (M)	<b>Learning Update Prep/Design &amp; Assessment Day (students not in attendance)</b>
March	Mar 14 (F)	Last Day Prior to Spring Break
	Mar 14 (F)	Learning Updates Issued
	Mar 31 (M)	Schools Re-Open After Spring Break
April	Apr 18 (F)	<b>Good Friday (Schools Closed)</b>
	Apr 21 (M)	<b>Easter Monday (Schools Closed)</b>
	Apr 30 (W)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
May	May 1 (Th)	1 Hour Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Interviews
	May 16 (F)	<b>Professional Development Day (District - students not in attendance)</b>
	May 19 (M)	<b>Victoria Day (Schools Closed)</b>
June	Jun 26 (Th)	Final Learning Update Issued & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation
	Jun 27 (F)	<b>Administrative Day (students not in attendance)</b>
July / August		Summer Session

SD35 Board of Education Meeting  
APPROVED: April 23, 2024