
AROUND LARONDE – April 2, 2018

Our commitment at École Laronde is to offer a fulfilling French experience while developing kind, respectful and responsible learners who are creative builders of their future.

À l'École Laronde, nous nous engageons à offrir une riche expérience du français et à former des élèves gentils, respectueux et responsables qui sont les créateurs de leur avenir.

Welcome back to all of our families! We hope that everyone had a restful and enjoyable Spring Break. As we start the third term we are looking forward to our grade 7's week long camp trip, badminton and ultimate practices and games as well as track and field season beginning. We have the Spring Fair coming this May and we have our new kindergartens coming for their orientation. We are excited about all the great learning and all of the various events that will take place during these last three months of the school year!

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

A parent information night will be held on Wed. April 18 @ 6:30 in the library. Please see attached posters for further information.

SPRING FAIR

Save the date – Friday, May 11.
Please see attached poster for more details.

EARL MARRIOTT SECONDARY PARENT INFO SESSION

EMS will be hosting an information session on Thursday, April 19 to share what it is like to be a youth in the present time. Great session especially for parents of students in upper intermediate grades. Please see attached flyer.

CPF

See below for their latest newsletter.

NB – the newsletter is 2 pages long with several informational attachments.



Upcoming Dates

April 6 & 13 – Hot Lunch

April 11 – District concours d'art oratoire

April 20 – PAC mtg 9 am

April 23 – 27 Grade 7's attend camp

UPCOMING EVENTS

PAC meeting Friday, April 20 @9 am – all parents/guardians are welcome to join us.

Tuesday, April 24 - Art Starts presents "Cendrillon" in our gym at 10:40 am.

More Important News

BADMINTON

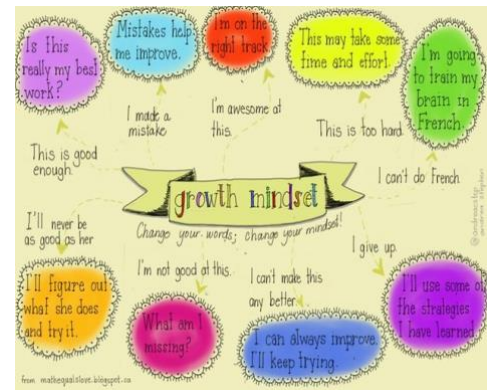
Please see game schedules below.

ULTIMATE

Games will be every Tuesday, please see schedule below.

BOOSTER JUICE UPCOMING DATES:

April 4
April 18
May 2
May 16
May 30
June 13



Growth Mindset

Weekly music practices:

Mondays: hand bells 11:45

Tuesdays: choir 11:45

Wednesdays: Orff 7:45

BADMINTON

GRADE 5/6

March 6 – @ Rosemary Heights
March 13 – Laronde vs Ray Shephard
April 4 (Wed) – @ Rosemary Heights
April 10 – @ Peach Arch
April 17 – Laronde vs Ray Shephard
April 25 - Playday details TBA

GRADE 7

March 8 – @ HT Thrift
March 15 – @ Ray Shephard
April 4 (Wed) - @ Crescent park
April 12 – Laronde vs Bayridge
April 19 – Laronde vs Chantrell

ULTIMATE

Apr. 3 - @ Chantrell

Apr. 10 – @ Peace Arch

Apr. 17 - @ White Rock

Apr. 24 – Home game vs. Crescent Park

May 1 – Home game vs Ocean Cliff

Thursday, May 3 – Playday @ South Surrey Athletic Park (12:30-5:30)



GETTING STUDENTS ENGAGED

WITH SCIENCE, ENGINEERING,
TECHNOLOGY -
AND THE ARTS

Laronde
Elementary
School

APRIL
18

Parent Information
Session

6:30 PM

A SCHOOL TEAM SPORT - FOR THE MIND

Odyssey is a school-based, international program that promotes problem solving. Teams of five to seven students learn creative thinking and problem solving skills while finding innovative solutions to a variety of technical, mechanical and performance problems.

CPSS would like to thank our sponsors and partners:



FROM STEM TO STEAM:

*STEAM education takes the standard STEM –
and adds an « A » for the Arts*

The Odyssey program hits the three core competencies in the new BC curriculum: **communication, thinking, and personal and social development.**

Students participating in the program integrate science, technology, arts education, critical and creative thinking as well as personal responsibility.

Odyssey of the Mind is a school-based program promoting creative problem solving for students from kindergarten through college. Teams of five to seven students learn creative thinking and problem-solving skills while finding innovative solutions to a variety of technical, engineering and performance problems.

In BC, Odyssey began 35 years ago, and is now sponsored through the Government of BC, running independent day camps, summer camps and a summer school program through the District of Burnaby.

YOUR SCHOOL RUNS ATHLETICS TEAMS –
WHY NOT A **STEAM** TEAM THAT MEETS
CURRICULAR GOALS?

Odyssey of the Mind

by the Creative Problem Solving Society





FRIDAY, MAY 11TH
2:40PM – 6:30PM



LARONDE SPRING FAIR

Come join our school community for a fun afternoon with
 friends & family, exciting activities, drinks & food!

Our Fair will start immediately after school this year!

More details to come!

~ A PAC Fundraiser for École Laronde ~

SAVE THE DATE!

Toonie Jars
Face Painting
Silent Auction
Raffle Baskets
Balloon Twister

Dunk Tank
Pony Rides
Bumper Balls
Hamster Balls
Bounce Castle

Carnival Games
Cake Walk
Activities

Cotton Candy
Refreshments
Poutine Truck
Pizza

LARONDE ELEMENTARY

1880 Laronde Drive
 V4A 9S4

To VOLUNTEER
 please send an email to:

springfair@larondepac.ca

TUNED-IN PARENTS

Youth Offering their
Voices



6:30-8:30 PM

**APRIL
19**

A rare opportunity for caregivers
to hear what it is like to be a
youth in 2017.

Learn from youth
about pressures, stress and the
support they prefer

EARL MARRIOTT SECONDARY LIBRARY

To Register Google:

"Eventbrite: Tuned In Parents Earl
Marriott"

Snacks and refreshments will be provided.



**CANADIAN
PARENTS
FOR FRENCH**
BRITISH COLUMBIA
& YUKON



Furthering bilingualism by promoting and creating opportunities for students to learn and use French

Communiqué

Spring 2018

French Immersion Celebration Week 2018: *Célébrons l'immersion française!*



Merci to all of the volunteers who made the 2018 French Immersion Celebration week a success across BC & Yukon.

We appreciate all the work that goes into the events, cultural activities, and celebrations, so toutes nos félicitations!

- Read the Government of British Columbia press release [here](#).
- Visit CPF BC & Yukon's [French Immersion Celebration Week page!](#)

BRANCH NEWS

Concours d'art oratoire 2018



CONCOURS D'ART ORATOIRE

We are gearing up for this year's Concours, which will take place on Saturday, May 5th at SFU Surrey. For questions regarding Concours, see the webpage [here](#), or email us at concours@cpf.bc.ca. We are also looking for student volunteers and French-speaking judges, so if you know someone, be in touch!

Key 2018 Concours dates

- March 27, 2018: Online Provincial registration opens [here](#)
- April 11, 2018: Provincial registration deadline
- May 5, 2018: Provincial Competition, Simon Fraser University, Surrey Campus
- TBC, 2018: National Competition

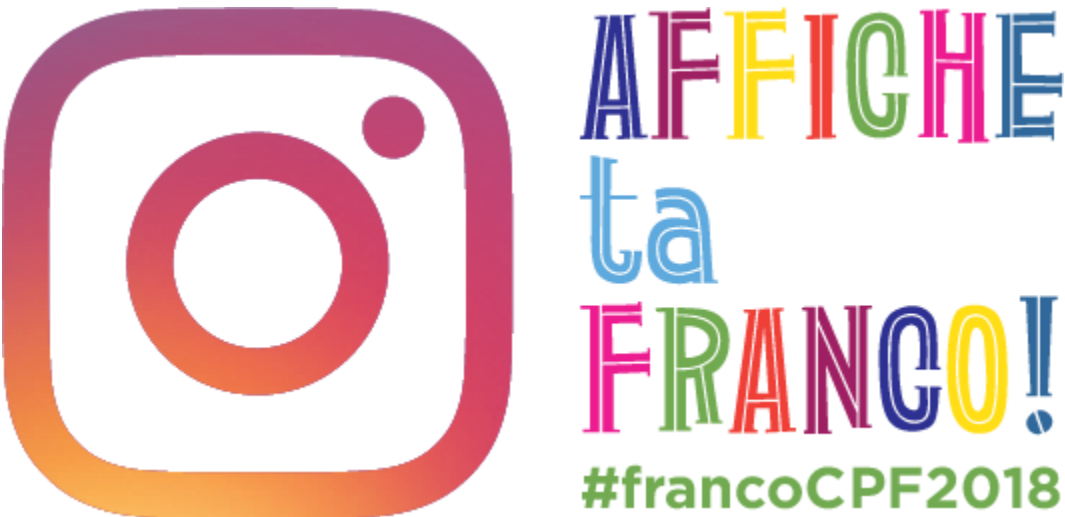
Federal Budget 2018

According to the [Federal Budget](#) released this week, there will be \$400.0 million in new funding over five years, starting in 2018–19, with \$88.4 million per year ongoing, in support of the Action Plan for Official Languages 2018-2023. One targeted component of this new funding will be to address the critical shortage of French teachers across Canada, an issue that CPF has had a strong voice on.

The Branch's full official response to the Federal Budget can be viewed [here](#)!



STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES



CPF National's annual social media contest & campaign kicked off on March 1, 2018. The rules are simple: students across Canada are asked to "*Flaunt their Frenchness*" by participating in daily challenges on either Twitter or Instagram for a chance to win an Apple IPAD! The contest, which celebrates the 20th [Rendezvous de la Francophonie](#), encourages young Canadians to get excited about French language and culture!

BRITISH COLUMBIA FAMILY FRENCH CAMP

SHUSWAP LAKE • GWILLIM LAKE
VANCOUVER ISLAND

At BC Family French Camp, French immersion students and other French-speaking children bring their families along to camp!

Families camp in their own tents or trailers and together we form a friendly neighbourhood, surrounded by the sounds of children playing and singing in French with their energetic and funny Francophone counsellors!

- Parents don't need to be able to speak French!
- Programs are available for children entering kindergarten all the way up to teens completing high school.
- Dynamic and capable Francophone moniteurs (counsellors) keep children highly motivated all week!
- Parents enjoy a rewarding blend of lounging time and sharing in a variety of small volunteer duties.
- Evening activities are fun for the whole family!

"Every day was filled with fun, songs, adventures, laughs, and conversing in French. Our children are begging to come back next summer!"

Summer 2018 Dates

BC Family French Camp is offered at different times and at three different locations throughout the province. Families camp for one week in their own campsite. Activities at each location are designed to take advantage of the local geography, flora, and fauna.

Shuswap Lake
(near Salmon Arm)
WEEK 1: July 7 — July 14, 2018
WEEK 2: July 14 — July 21, 2018

Gwillim Lake
(near Skeena)
July 21 — August 4, 2018

Vancouver Island
(near Nanaimo)
WEEK 1: August 11 — August 18, 2018
WEEK 2: August 18 — August 25, 2018

Camp Registration

Applications for Summer 2018 camps will be accepted starting Jan 21, 2018.

For more info please visit:
www.bcffc.com

CPF Membership

CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH IN BC

CPF Membership is required to attend BC Family French Camp and is available at time of registration, or from July 1st. Membership Canadian Parents for French (CPF) provides French language learning opportunities for young Canadians. BC Family French Camp enjoys the support of CPF BC & Yukon and for that all parents are required to be members in good standing.

For more info visit www.bcffc.com facebook.com/bcffc007 twitter.com/BCFrenchCamp

BC Family French Camp 2018

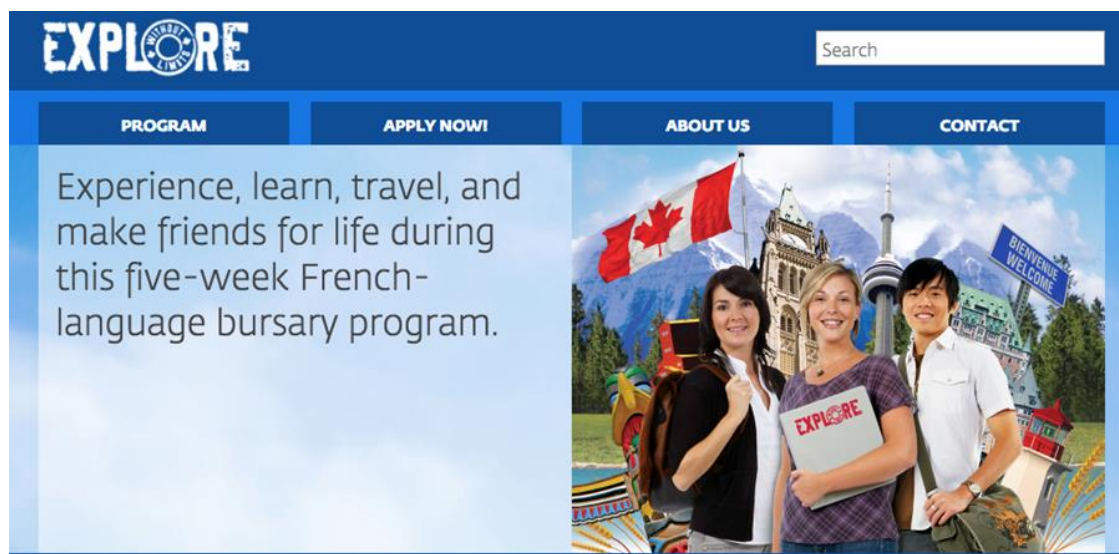
Registration is now open for [British Columbia Family French Camp](http://www.bcffc.com), a popular French-language experience that takes place at three beautiful locations in BC each summer. BCFFC is open to CPF members only, so make sure your CPF membership is up-to-date when you register! Find out more [here](http://www.bcffc.com). View 2018 BCFFC flyer [here](http://www.bcffc.com).

Encounters with Canada: \$100 CPF bursary



Did you know that children of CPF members can apply for a \$100 bursary from the BC & YK branch to participate in Encounters with Canada, a dynamic cultural organization aimed at building cultural awareness in Canada. EWC is a one-week, bilingual, Canadian studies program at The Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre, in Ottawa. Find out more about the EWC-CPF bursary [here](http://www.bccpf.org).

French Immersion summer bursary program



The application deadline for the [Explore program](#) has been extended until March 15th, 2018. Explore is a Canada-wide, 5-week French Immersion bursary program in which participants (aged 16+) receive a \$2,200 bursary to Explore another part of Canada, exchange culture, and be immersed in a second language learning experience. [More info.](#)

Languages at Work Program



For students interested in obtaining bilingual work experience, the [Languages at Work](#) program is a great way to do so! Designed for [Explore](#) bursary recipients, the program allows participants to stay in their host community to gain valuable professional experiences in their second language.

Le Printemps de la francophonie 2018 at SFU



Le printemps de la francophonie

DU 19 FÉVRIER AU 30 MARS 2018

Venez célébrer la francophonie autour de conférences et d'activités culturelles



From February 19 to March 30, 2018, the Office of Francophone and Francophile Affairs (OFFA) at Simon Fraser University (SFU) presents *Le Printemps de la francophonie 2018 at SFU*, an event that celebrates the local, national and international Francophonie. The program includes a series of academic and cultural activities, held on the SFU Burnaby campus and in the Vancouver area, for those who are passionate about French language and Francophone cultures. Find out more [here](#).



The 20th [Rendez-vous de la Francophonie](#) involves a host of activities, contests and blog posts across the country from March 1 to 21, 2018, as part of the events surrounding the Journée internationale de la Francophonie (March 20). Throughout, more than [3 000 activities](#) will take place across Canada: community gatherings, ceremonies, shows, films, games, contests, educational activities—a whole series of events that provide an excuse for celebrating!



[More info](#)

Franco-fun Smithers Ski weekend!

On March 10 & 11, the Association des Francophones et Francophiles du Nord-Ouest will be in full force on Hudson Bay Mountain, offering snow toffee, live francophone music (MOUCHEKORECT), skiing, a prize draw, and much more! If you are a member of AFFNO, you can ski (or snowboard) for only \$30 plus tax Saturday, or Sunday, or both days for \$60!

More francophone events in BC



Check out [Le Calendrier francophone de la Colombie-Britannique](#), a wonderful resource for discovering francophone events all over British Columbia!

CPF Awards and Nominations

- [CPF BC & Yukon Teacher Award](#)

Since 1992, CPF BC & Yukon has been proud to offer a financial award to one or two university students completing their post-secondary education studies and planning to teach French as a second language (immersion, intensive, or core) in BC or Yukon. [Apply here](#) before May 15, 2018.

- [Bouquet de Merci Award](#)

Do you know someone whose outstanding activities and achievements have contributed to the health and vibrancy of French programs and activities for children in your community? Nominate them for CPF BC & Yukon's *Bouquet de Merci* award! [Apply here](#) before June 30, 2018.

- [CPF BC & Yukon Board Nomination](#)

Are you interested in being part of a dynamic team? If you value French as an integral part of Canada and if you are dedicated to providing opportunities for young Canadians to learn and use French, we need you! CPF BC & Yukon Branch is seeking interested and enthusiastic CPF members to join our Branch Board of Directors. [Apply here](#) before June 30, 2018.




Connect with us!

Follow us on our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#) accounts as well as our [blog](#) for current info on youth events, French resources and research, awards and bursaries, networking opportunities and much more!