

AROUND LARONDE – Nov. 4, 2019

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.

During the past two years we have been exploring ways to help our students speak more French with their peers and when in non-classroom situations. It is evident that our students are quite good at understanding French however they continue to struggle to express themselves orally, especially with their peers. We are trying to create a real French culture in the school where students are proud to speak French every day, all day. Part of our efforts include helping our students understand that by speaking more French, they will be able to retrieve the words they are trying to say more easily, they will have a greater vocabulary base and this will hopefully also help improve their reading and writing skills in French. An important part of our students understanding that the more French they speak the easier it is for them to speak and learn French is knowing the reason why you as their parent(s) decided to enrol them in a French Immersion school – specifically our school which has a unique environment where administrators, the librarian, and music teachers speak French and where announcements, assemblies and presentations are done in French. We need your help. We are asking that you please take the time to speak with your child(ren) about why speaking French is important to you and why you selected to have him/her/them attend a French school. It is our wish and our goal for all of our students to have the mindset that once they enter the 'magical' doors of Laronde they need to speak French at all times. We thank you for your ongoing support.



PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

We wanted to take a few moments to thank all of our parents/guardians who park legally, obey the parking or no parking signs around the school and respect our neighbours driveways.

We do need everyone's help keeping our students safe and following the bylaw signs and school parking lot signs. We have had an increasing number of complaints about parents/guardians parking in front of fire hydrants, neighbours driveways and in no stopping zones.

Please share this information with family members who may be picking up or dropping off your child(ren) at the school.



Upcoming Events

Nov. 6 – Remembrance Day
Assembly 10:45 (parents & guardians are welcome to attend)

Nov. 8 – NID/PRO-D (no school for students)

Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day (no school)

Nov. 14 – Photo retakes

Nov. 18 – PAC meeting 6:30 pm

Nov. 29 – Craft Fair 2:30 – 4:00

School Sports/Clubs

Volleyball:

Monday: Girls' practice 7:45 – 8:30
Tuesday: Boys' practice 2:40 – 3:30
Wednesday: Boys' Game 3 – 4
Thursday: Boys' Practice 7:45 – 8:30
Girls' Game 3 – 4
Friday: Girls' Practice 7:45 – 8:30

Music Club Practices:

Monday @ lunch gr. 4 – 7 CHOIR
Tuesday @ 7:45 gr. 5-7 ORFF
Tuesday @ lunch gr. 4 ORFF
Wednesday @ lunch HANDBELLS
Thursday @ lunch gr. 2- 3 CHOIR

Team Jerseys:

Please return all soccer and cross-country school team jerseys to the office. We kindly ask that you wash jerseys in cold water and hang them to dry before returning them to our school office.

MORE IMPORTANT NEWS



GRADE 7 FUNDRAISER

Please see attached info and forms for the latest grade 7 fundraiser Fundscrip gift cards. This info/ordering package will also go home with students on Monday.

WARM CLOTHING DRIVE

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to the warm clothing drive. We had an amazing response again this year. We know that the families at Forsyth Road are grateful for your kindness and generosity.

HALLOWEEN AGAINST HUNGER - L'HALLOWEEN CONTRE LA FAIM

Thank you to the community for their generous donations for Halloween for Hunger – l'Halloween Contre la Faim – we were able to raise over \$600 and donate about 150 cans of food!

MOVIE NIGHT

Thank you to all the families who bought a ticket for the movie. We appreciate your support of our grade 7 student fundraiser.

STORYBOOK THEATRE

On Sat. Nov. 9 @ 12 pm and 2 pm Storybook Theatre is presenting "Too Many Frogs" at the South Surrey Rec & Arts Centre (14601-20 Ave). This show is appropriate for children aged 2 – 6 years old. Admission is \$5 – visit semiahmooarts.com or call 604-536-8333. (see flyer on last page of the newsletter)

SCHOOL WINDOWS

Just letting our community know that the school windows have not been broken they are simply being replaced.

STAGE SET UP

We are looking for about 4 parents to help set up the stage tomorrow at 8:40 – please check in at the office.



In the Community

PAC News

Next PAC MEETING:

Mon. Nov.18 @ 6:30 pm – all parents are welcome to attend.

Please make sure you register on the Laronde PAC website

<https://www.larondepac.ca/adm/in/>

The PAC is still accepting contributions for the cheque writing campaign – cheques can be dropped off at the office or you can donate online through PayPal on the Laronde PAC website by using the "donate" link on the home page.

GRADE 7 GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER

To raise money for Grade 7 camp and year end activities, we have decided to use a fundraising program called FundScrip. You can purchase gift cards from various retailers such as Amazon, Chapters, Starbucks, Home Depot, Safeway and Walmart to name a few. In return, our Grade 7 group will receive a portion of the sales. For example, if you purchase a \$100 grocery card, you receive a \$100 gift card and a percentage of your purchase will be donated to our fundraising campaign.

We encourage you to share this fundraiser with your family, friends, co-workers and neighbours. As we all purchase groceries and gas, it's a win win for everyone. Please feel free to share this order form with your community and return it to the school with payment. Each order form submitted will be separated into individual envelopes for easy distribution. Extra order forms will be available at the office in case you require more than one. Or you can simply print another from the email provided.

There are so many options of who and what you can purchase these gift cards for. Consider purchasing gift cards for the upcoming Christmas Hampers, Christmas and birthday gifts, and of course your own personal shopping needs. The possibilities are truly endless.

We will accept orders until **November 22, 2019** so we can ensure you receive your cards before the holiday rush.

How it Works:

Simply fill out the order form with your gift card selections and either pay by **cheque** (made out to **Laronde Elementary PAC**) or online with **PayPal** through the Laronde PAC website.

PAYING BY CHEQUE:

1. Fill out the paper order form with your selection of gift cards
2. Make a Cheque payable to **Laronde Elementary PAC**
3. Return the completed order form and cheque to school with your child or hand in at the office
4. We will distribute of the gift cards once the campaign is over

PAYING ONLINE with PAYPAL:

1. Fill out the paper form with your selection of gift cards
2. Login to the PAC website: <https://www.larondpac.ca>
3. Go to the "**HOME**" button (top left corner), select "**fundraising**"
4. Login one more time
5. Select "**Manage Orders**"
6. Under *Grade 7 Gift Card Fundraiser* select one of your students' names and hit "**Order**"
7. Select your choice of gift cards
8. At the bottom of the page, select "**Update Order & Proceed**"
9. Now select "**Pay With PayPal**"
10. Login to PayPal when prompted, and hit "**Pay Now**"
11. Please note the date you made your PayPal transaction on the order form so we can cross reference the orders
12. Return the completed order form to school with your child or hand in at the office
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Theatre for children ages 2-6yrs and their caregivers.

STORYBOOK THEATRE

Presents:

Too Many Frogs

2 SHOWS!

Nov. 9th

12pm & 2pm

\$5 admission - for tickets visit

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South Surrey Rec. & Arts Centre: 14601-20 Ave, Surrey

