



Lena Shaw News - January/February
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Principal's Message



As we return from the Christmas Break, students and teachers have been busy getting back to our regular routines. Classes are full of energy and the students are engaged in great learning opportunities.

As we move into February, we will be preparing for Pink Shirt day on Wednesday Feb 26th, 2020. As a staff at Lena Shaw, we care very much for the safety and well being of all students in our care. At Lena Shaw, we believe that every day is and should be anti-bullying day. For the month of February we will be looking at the theme of kindness and how everyday is an opportunity for us to take care of one another.

In addition to Pink Shirt Day, we are busy planning for our First People's in Residence Week that is taking place on Monday Feb 3 until Friday Feb 7, 2020. This is an incredible week in which we welcome community elders to work with our students and staff on First Peoples principles of learning and cultural teachings.

Lena Shaw is very pleased to welcome several SFU students teachers to our school for the next few months. These student teachers are here to observe our amazing staff and students and begin their journey towards formalizing their credentials. Welcome SFU student teachers to our Lena Shaw team!

Finally, Mr. Chila, our amazing VP is going to be off for the next month for a very minor surgery and recovery period. While we are sad to have him leave us for this short time, I am very pleased to announce that Ms. Nicole Roberts will be filling in as Acting Vice Principal. Please join me in wishing Mr. Chila a quick recovery and in welcoming Ms. Roberts to the office in his absence.

First Peoples in Residence Week

Our school team has been very busy planning and organizing our First People's in Residence week which is taking place Monday, February 3rd to Friday, February 7th 2020. During this week, we will have a variety of Elders and presenters joining us and working with our classes to enhance our learning and understanding of First People's culture. On Thursday Feb 6th, we are excited to welcome Mr. Trenton Pierre to our school. Mr. Pierre is a Katzie band member who will lead an assembly and painting demonstration! We are very excited to have to join us for this week. I want to take the opportunity to thank Ms. King, Ms. N. Roberts, Ms. Gill and Ms. Aravena for their time and hard work in planning for this amazing learning opportunity.

Pink Shirt Day, Wednesday February 26th



On February 26th, we wear pink to raise awareness for bullying and cyberbullying.

In 2007, two Nova Scotia students decided to take action after witnessing a younger student being bullied for wearing a pink shirt to school. The students bought 50 pink t-shirts and encouraged schoolmates to wear them and send a powerful message of solidarity to the bully. As a result, Anti-Bullying Day became a day when people wear a pink, blue, or purple shirt to symbolize a stand against bullying. At Lena Shaw, we work actively to reduce the incidence of bullying and would like to ask parents/guardians to please help us in this effort. If your child has online access or uses a phone, he or she may very well be the victim of cyber bullying or may be harming others.

To learn more, visit www.pinkshirtday.ca

What is cyberbullying? Cyberbullying is Bullying through electronic means. There are many forms, including harassment, impersonation, outing, cyberstalking, and denigration, but all exist—at least in

part – in the digital world. Cyberbullying can often feel even more overwhelming than traditional bullying, because access to a target is 24/7. If you think that it is not happening to your child and they have unlimited phone use...you are likely misinformed. We have many students at our school who use their phones throughout the night to communicate with others. Please ensure that our students do not have phones in their bedrooms and please monitor their texting and on-line use. Should you find that your child is being bullied or may be causing harm to others, we are here to help. Please contact your child's teacher, Ms. Roberts or Mr. Chambers.

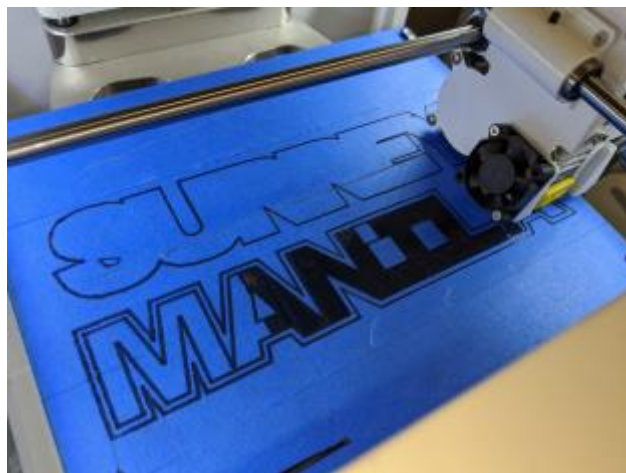
Sporting News





Our basketball season is nearly finished here at Lena Shaw. We have a wonderful group of eager and hardworking students that have joined the boys and girls basketball teams. The coaches have prepared their teams very well and they are very optimistic and excited for the upcoming remainder of games as well as playday. Good luck, Orcas!

Library Update



In the heart of the school reside two Teacher Librarians who create magic.

Here in Lena Shaw's Library we're fortunate to have some incredible, state of the art technology. With our 3D printers, our intermediate students are beginning to learn the basics of 3D modelling and design. Their first project is making a key chain with their name on it! Expect to see those soon, Grade 7 parents.

Everyone is eager to get their hands on the 3D printers, and we are hoping to have as many students learn how to use the software and hardware as soon as we can.

In other library news, we're always working hard to get the latest and greatest in children's books and young adult fiction. We have so many eager readers that books are in high demand around here!

And remember...don't forget to return your books!

Music Update



After an eventful Christmas concert, you may wonder, “What’s going on in music now?”

Well, the truth is, it’s never quiet in music class, and that’s how it should be (unless we are doing a listening class!)

Our days are pretty typical. We've had classes about Lunar New Year and the importance of loud crashing cymbals and drums in Chinese culture--think about the legends of monsters and dragons!

In the grade 4 classes we are studying not one, not two, but THREE instruments: ukulele, recorder and xylophone!

If that wasn’t enough, we have guitar club lined up, some singing classes with the Kindergarten and some percussion classes with the grade 1s and 2s.

Zapo and his faithful Zappers will be creating their next rap very soon so we are all looking forward to that in the next performance...

Stay tuned...literally!

Student Teachers



Lena Shaw welcomed 7 new student teachers! They were with us from January 27-31st observing classes, and then they will be back February 24-April 3rd to begin their teaching practicums.

Vicky Chan is with Ms. King in Division 1

Grace Chang is with Ms. Pattar in Division 2

Olya Ribinnova is with Mr. Weakes in Division 5

Joanne Leung is with Ms. Johnson in Division 13

Marlene Colcol is with Ms. Sagmoen Siqueira in Division 23

Alicia Lim is with Ms. Sanderson in Division 25

Selena Doyle is with Ms. Aujla in Division 27

Global School Play Day



Don't be alarmed if your child came home saying all they did at school today was play!

On February 5th, some of our teachers are participating in Global School Play Day.

Global School Play Day is an event promoting the importance of unstructured play in schools. Unstructured play helps children develop 21st century skills.

If you'd like to know more about Global Play Day, click [here](#).

Kindergarten Registration

Children who turn five-years-old before Jan. 1, 2021 are eligible to begin school in September 2020.

To register your child(ren) at Lena Shaw Elementary, complete the general student registration form found on the Surrey School District's website for "Student Registration". Click [here](#) to be redirected to Surrey School's student registration page. Once the form is complete, you can bring the forms to our office at Lena Shaw Elementary between the hours of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm.

Our address and contact information can be found at the bottom of the page.

You can also find more information about registering your child for kindergarten by following the previous link.

School Link



School Link is Surrey School District's free mobile app. It can be downloaded on [Apple](#) or [Android](#) devices.

School Link provides school news, announcements, alerts, school closure reminders, urgent notifications, contact information and featured stories from the District and schools you choose. The app keeps you up to date with the schools that are important to you.

To learn more about School Link, read the school district's [memo](#).

Reminders

Here are a few friendly reminders to help keep all of our students on the path to success:

Keeping Student Information up to Date:

Please help the school keep your student's information up to date by contacting the office if you move, get a new phone number or would like to add/change a contact to your student's record.

Giving our Students the Best Chance to Learn:

School success is based on the student's ability to be ready for learning; to be ready to fully engage in the activities and experiences that our amazing teachers prepare each day.

To be ready for learning, students need to:

- Be on time for school so that they do not miss out on the vital transitions to the school day, social time and the sharing of the day's expectations and goals; the research is clear that students who are late to school have significantly increased rates of school failure and dropout later in life, the patterns and expectations they live up to today impact the future

- Be at school every day to ensure they do not miss critical learning and find themselves in a state of perpetual ‘catch up’ and disconnectedness
- Be fed and well rested (10-11 hours of sleep a night for students ages 5-12)

Lost and Found

There are many, many clothing items in our lost and found bin. Please encourage your child to look for any missing coats, jackets, or other pieces of clothing. Parents/Guardians are welcome to come to retrieve lost items. Unfortunately, we do not have space to store the lost and found items. Any unclaimed clothing will be donated to others at the end of February.

Parking & Traffic



- Thank you for walking to school!
- Remember, parking is **only** in front of the fields and neighbouring streets.
- **Please do not park in front of the school or across from the street.**

Thank you for keeping everyone safe!

Please familiarize yourself with Lena Shaw's parking map and restrictions below.



The data provided is compiled from various sources and is NOT warranted as to its accuracy or reliability by the City of Surrey.
This information is provided for information and convenience purposes only. Lot sizes, legal descriptions and encumbrances should be confirmed at the Land Title Office.

Calendar



Upcoming important dates:

February

Wednesday, February 13 Early Dismissal – 1:30 pm

Monday, February 17 Family Day – No School

Friday, February 21 Non-Instructional Day – No School

Wednesday, February 26 Pink Shirt Day

March

Monday to Friday Mar 2 - March 6 - Indigenous Dancing Workshop

Friday, March 6 #2 Formal Report Cards Home

Monday, March 09 Concert Dress Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 10 Intermediate Spring Concert/Play

Wednesday, March 11 Intermediate Spring Concert/Play

Monday, March 16 Spring Break Begins

Monday, March 30 SCHOOL OPENS

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