



Larson Newsletter

At Larson School, staff and parents work together to provide a safe, challenging and supportive environment that enables and inspires students to succeed, become lifelong learners and responsible citizens.

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At Larson We Care About - Ourselves & Others
- Learning
- The Environment

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This first term has gone by very quickly with many activities and events organized by our parent group (PALS) and the school. We greatly appreciate the many parent and student volunteers who helped with the various aspects of making these events and activities a success. Thank you to everyone for your enthusiastic involvement and participation.

In November, our student leaders participated in the Remembrance Day Assembly, led the New Kindergarten Orientation for parents, and assisted with the Family Movie Night. These students demonstrated great leadership skills, showed increased confidence in public speaking, and provided positive role-modeling for the younger students. Thank you to all the students involved.

As a culmination of the "Read to Succeed" program where students read daily and were physically active outside of school hours for two weeks, approximately 380 people (students, family members and staff) from the Larson school community attended the Vancouver Giant's hockey game on Nov. 18. Everyone had a great time and our school spirit was evident throughout the evening.

On Tuesday, students from Braemar and Larson schools entertained their parents and family members in the Larson gymnasium with their **strings** instruments under the guidance of Ms. Murray. On Wednesday, Ms. Pinchin led the **band** students from Larson, Brooksbank and Eastview in their concert at the Brooksbank school gym. Both the Strings and Band concerts were beautifully performed and the students are to be congratulated for their musical talents and dedication to learning their musical instruments.

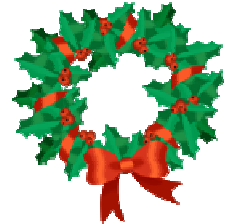
Please join us for the **Winter Concert** on Thursday, December 15th, at the Larson school gymnasium. Detailed information regarding this entertaining event was sent home with all students last Friday. Please note that classes are scheduled into two performing times. Classes in **Concert A** will perform from 12:30 to 1:30, and classes in **Concert B** will begin their performance at 2:00 and end at 3:00. All students will be dismissed from their classrooms at 3:00 pm, and parents are requested to leave the Gym by the outside doors and meet the children at your usual meeting place after dismissal.

Please use outside doors to enter and leave the gym. For the enjoyment of everyone at the concert, please turn off cell phones and all electronic devices prior to entering the Gym. Our students and staff have put great effort in to preparing for this concert and we appreciate that you stay for the duration of your child's concert. Hope to see you at the concert!

We would like to say au revoir and best wishes to Mme Jessamine Wong, who has been teaching the gr. 3/4 French Immersion class this term. She will be joining the Braemar staff in the new year. We will be welcoming back Mme Trenzek from her leave.

Please remind your child to **dress appropriately** for the cold and wet weather we usually experience during the winter months. All students are expected to be outside during recess and lunch, except for days of extreme weather conditions when an inside day is called.

All schools in the North Vancouver School District will remain open if at all possible during winter weather, including snowfalls. Any district-wide closure will be announced via the media by 6:00 am. For a list of radio and television stations please refer to our school website larsonelementary.ca - "**Winter Weather Information**".



***Have a safe and happy holiday with your family and friends!
We look forward to seeing you in the New Year!***

Dates to Remember

December 15	Winter Christmas Concert 12:30 – 1:30 Concert A 2:00 – 3:00 Concert B
December 17 – January 2	Winter Vacation
December 16	2012-2013 K. Registration closes

Tuesday, January 3rd School Re-opens

January 16	District wide Curriculum Implementation Day Students do not attend school
January 23	School wide Dance program begins for 3 weeks

Lost and Found



PLEASE check the Lost and Found for your missing articles. There are winter jackets, hoodies, shoes, sweaters, lots of very good clothing that needs to be claimed. Items not picked up by Thursday, December 15th will be taken to a local charity.

The Lost and found is located in the Intermediate hallway, NW in the main building

