



## ÉCOLE PUNTLEDGE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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WEEKLY E-BULLETIN – January 30 – February 3

Dear Puntledge families, here are the highlights from the week:

- Work on the kitchen upgrade has begun with the new dishwasher.
- Off to a great start with our Neighbourhood Kindergarten registrations.
- We had a wonderful recess today filled with music and sun.
- Our Late French Immersion open house was well attended, and our current students did a fabulous job touring those thinking of joining us next year. Thank you PAC for providing childminding and sharing your role with potentially future families.

### WAG: (Week at a Glance)

#### Monday: Jan. 30

- Girls grade 6/7 B-Ball practice 2:30-4:15

#### Tuesday: Jan. 31

- Boys Basketball Practice 2:30-4:15
- Hot Lunch
- Kindergarten Dental Screening

#### Wednesday: FEBRUARY 1

- **Div. 7 Jernslet FREE LUNCH**
- Grade 5 Neighbourhood CoEd B-Ball practice 12-12:30
- Boys B-Ball grade 6/7 Puntledge @ Cumberland
- Girls B-Ball grade 6/7 Cumberland @ Puntledge

#### Thursday: Feb. 2

- **Div. 14 Mme Frain FREE LUNCH**
- **Grade 5s Nordic Skiing (email sent to grade 5 families with details)**
- Guided Reading with Mme Joanie 2:45-3:30 Grade 6/7 Immersion

#### Friday: Feb. 3

- **Div. 15 Mme. Lisl FREE LUNCH**
- Girls B-Ball 2:30-4:15
- Magic Club 2:30-4:30
- Grade 5 Neighbourhood Co-Ed B-ball at Lake Trail 2:50-4:00

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Water Bottles:

A reminder that the office does not have water cups to supply to students any longer. Please send your children to school their water bottles.

If they are in need of water bottle because they don't own one, students can come to the office and we have extras to hand out.

### Late French Immersion Registration:

Registration will be online and placement into the program is on a first come, first served basis in the order received. Siblings of current students in the programs will have priority.

Program details can be found here: <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/late-french-immersion/>

**Registration will be open February 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm:** <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/ecole-puntledge-park-late-french-immersion-registration/>

## PAC NEWS

1. PAC needs some support filling a few recently vacant roles. We are looking for a few interested parents to be our Co-Chair, and DPAC Co-Chair.

If you are interested in any of these roles, please email: [puntledgeparkpac@live.ca](mailto:puntledgeparkpac@live.ca) for more details.

2. Hot lunch is also looking for a new coordinator. If you are interested in learning about the role and possibly stepping up, please email [puntledgeparkpac@live.ca](mailto:puntledgeparkpac@live.ca)
3. Next PAC Meeting is scheduled for February 15th @ 5:30 pm

### 4. PAC EVENTS:

- a. **February 14: 6-8:30 Mascaraed Family Dance** (For Puntledge families. Students must attend with an adult as the school is not providing supervision)
- b. **March 3<sup>rd</sup> Movie Night** (details forthcoming)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Lake Trail Community Education Society has several opportunities that we thought may be of interest to Puntledge students and families:

They currently have two after school programs open to elementary students:

<https://ltces.ca/programs/after-school/>

### Outdoor Adventure Quest - Grades 5-7

Tuesdays, 3:15-4:45pm, Feb 7 to March 14

Participants will have epic adventures in the forested areas around Lake Trail Community School.

### **Reading Buddies - Grades 6+**

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30pm, Feb 1 to March 22

Reading Buddies are role models who are interested in working with younger children and helping them develop a love of reading and learning.

They are also hosting free weekly drop-in **Art and Gym Nights**, for community members of all ages, on Thursdays, 6pm to 8pm, at Lake Trail Community School. Everyone is welcome!

<https://ltces.ca/programs/community/>

Please let them know if you have any questions. Their programs are either free or have a small fee, which they are happy to cover with bursaries as needed. Families are welcome to email the coordinator if they would like any more information ([programs@ltces.ca](mailto:programs@ltces.ca)) or check out their website: <https://ltces.ca/>

## **REMINDERS**

### **Dogs:**

Thanks for keeping your dog always leashed on school property, especially during the crowded arrival and dismissal time. Also, if your dog is a jumper/ biter or barks at people / other dogs, stay away from crowded dismissal areas. Not everyone is comfortable with dogs, and we work hard for the school to be a safe place for everyone.

### **Sick Children:**

We continue to ask that all families complete a daily health\* check for their child. Students and adults should not come to school if they are sick. Please stay home.

\*A health check means a person regularly checking to ensure they (or their child) are not experiencing symptoms of illness (including but not limited to COVID-19 symptoms) that would limit their ability to participate fully in regular activities before coming to school to prevent spread of communicable diseases, such as COVID-19, within the school settings.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- Jan. 31 Dental Screening Kindergarten
- Jan. 31 Hot Lunch
- Feb. 2 Grade 5 Cross Country Skiing starts
- **Feb. 6 at 6 pm Late Immersion Registration**
- Feb. 9 Grade 5 Cross Country Skiing
- Feb. 14 Mascaraed Family Dance 6-8:30pm (save the date)

- Feb. 15 PAC Meeting
- Feb. 16 Grade 5 Last Cross Country Skiing
- Feb. 16 Learning Summaries coming home for those students with Portfolios
- **Feb. 17 Pro-D Day NO School for Students**
- **Feb. 20 Family Day No-School**
- Feb. 22 Pink Shirt Day
- Feb. 27 Like it or not (Green Thumb Theater)
- Mar. 1-3 Carnival (Kick off assembly Wed. Maple man Thurs. Stations Friday closing Ceremony.
- Mar. 3 Movie Night
- Mar. 4 Cabane a Sucre (Coeur de L'ile)

#### **FREE LUNCH SCHEDULE FOR THE START OF FEBRUARY:**

- Feb. 7 Div. 8 Buckley
- Feb. 8 Div. 16 Sedunow
- Feb. 9 Div. 17 Pilote
- Feb 10 Div. 18 Boland/Coustalin
- Feb. 15 Div. 19 McLaughlin
- Feb. 16 Div. 20 Drake
- Feb. 22 Div. 21 Hartig
- Feb. 23 Div. 22 Black
- Feb. 24 Div. 23 Swaney

Take care of each other out there.

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**Purpose:** Working through education to improve the lives of those in my community.