

École La Vérendrye



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Message from the Principal

September was a busy month. We started off the school year with our third annual Meet the Staff BBQ, which was a wonderful and relaxed event where we got to connect with familiar and new families. It was wonderful having families and students in the building during this time, and we feel as though this set the tone for what is to come.

We had our first assembly on September 6th, where we reviewed school and recess expectations. The 6th was the first day of school for our Nursery and Kindergarten students, and the entire school gave them a warm welcome at the assembly. We followed this up with our second assembly on September 11th, which was our first Family Groupings gathering. On this day we gathered together, and I had the privilege of reading Peter H. Reynolds's *Ish* to the whole school. The story *Ish* encourages children to embrace imperfection as an asset, as well as to recognize that one person's negative opinion doesn't have to change the way they feel or act. After the story, students went with their family groups to spend time getting to know one another and then each student made their own *Ish* drawing of their family groupings sacred animal. These *Ish* drawings were collected and used to create a beautiful display in our main hall. September 20th, the whole school participated in the Terry Fox run, with staff, students, and families walking through the community. The event ended with a bang—pies in the face for teachers and EAs!

On September 27th, we participated in the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. We met as a school in the gym, where we talked about Orange Shirt Day, read a powerful story, and then walked together through the community wearing our orange shirts and ribbons to commemorate and honor Truth and Reconciliation and to proclaim that Every Child Matters. I want to give a huge thank you to all staff who participated in the planning and execution of these various events, as well as to the volunteers who helped make these possible.

Please help keep our students safe by following all traffic and parking signs around our school. We ask that students who are arriving at school by bicycle, skateboard, or scooter dismount prior to crossing the street with our Patrols, and to walk on school property. Our STOP, DROP & GO zones are in place, and we appreciate families abiding by them, as it helps with school bus accessibility and overall safety.

It was great to see so many of our families in September at our LaV Parent Council AGM Meeting, where our executive group was elected. Parent Council meets once a month—virtually and in-person—and all are welcome to attend. Finally, thank you, the community for a wonderful start to the year. I am honoured and proud to be part of the LaV family and am looking forward to the year ahead.

Warm wishes,
Amanda Capina



PICTURE DAY

Friday, October 11

Picture day is scheduled for Friday, October 11th, 2024 and will take place in the gymnasium. This is an all-day event!

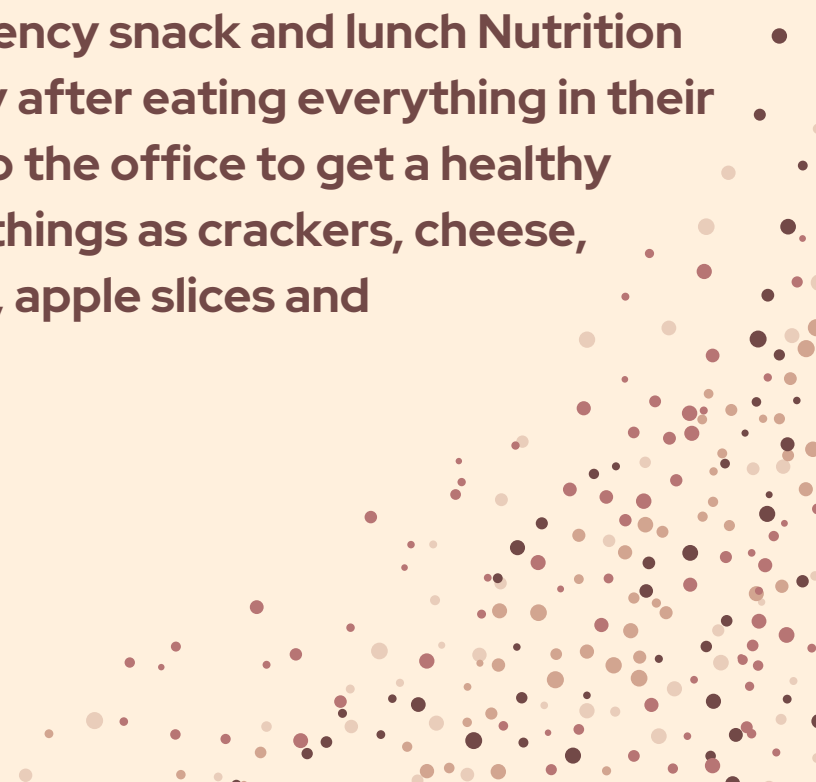
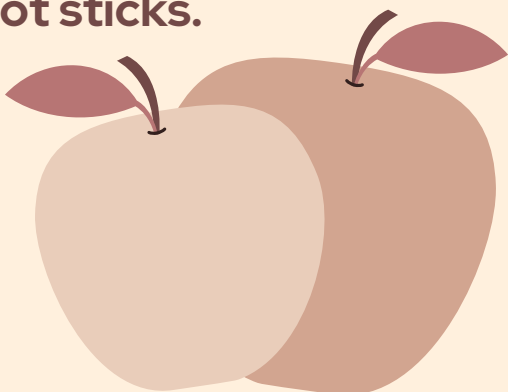
LifeTouch will once again be taking classroom photos this year.

If your child(ren) are unable to make it, photo retake day will take place on Wednesday, November 20th, 2024.



Nutrition Program

This year, LaV is part of the emergency snack and lunch Nutrition Program. If your child is still hungry after eating everything in their lunch, they are welcome to come to the office to get a healthy snack. The program includes such things as crackers, cheese, applesauce, granola bars, hummus, apple slices and carrot sticks.



- Morning supervision begins at 8:00 a.m.
- Please ensure there is a visible adult outside before leaving your child(ren).

- If there is no adult, please stay with your child(ren).

- Mme Capina tries to get outside every morning to greet and welcome students.

- Early entry will be granted when the weather is unfavourable

and students will be directed to where in the building they should go.



School Supplies

A gentle reminder that we are collecting \$40.00 per student for school supplies. If you haven't already, we are asking that payment be made as soon as possible. Please contact Mme Capina if you require assistance. An e-transfer can be sent to lav@wsd1.org; please include your child's name and "school supplies" in the memo line. Cash or cheque will also be accepted and can be handed in to your child's classroom teacher.

The money may be used to supply such things as:

- Pencils, Pens, Erasers, Pencil Sharpeners, Pencil Cases
- Rulers, Scissors, Markers, Pencil Crayons, Wax Crayons
- Highlighters, Liquid Glue, Lined Paper, Duotangs, Notebooks, Labels, Tissues
- Communication Bags, Art supplies
- and subject related materials necessary for experiments and projects..



Student Registration Information

Student registration documentation was sent home last week. This is the information we have on file and use to be in contact with our families. Please take a moment to review the forms carefully. If there are any updates or changes required, please note them directly on the page in colored pen, if possible.

Please have your child return the forms to their classroom teacher by Friday, October 18, 2024. We ask that forms be returned whether there are changes made or not.

LAV BIKE CORRAL

École LaVérendrye provides a locked, fenced-in area for students to park their bikes. It is important to note that the bike corral is used at your own risk and we advise against leaving bicycles parked over the weekend.

Please fill in the form below if you wish for your child to use the bike corral. In doing so, you release École LaVérendrye of any liability in the unlikely event that something were to happen to your property while parked in the bike corral.

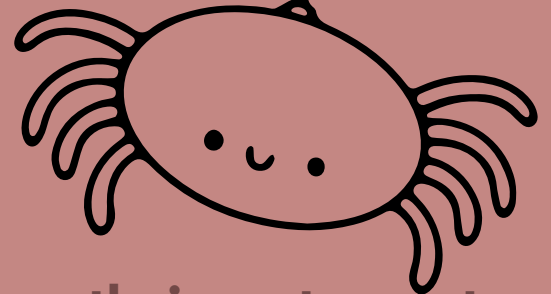
Bike Corral Form

HALLOWEEN

Thursday, October 31

Costume Reminders:

- 1. Students and staff are invited to wear their costumes to school on October 31st!**
- 2. Please do not send your child(ren) to school with any kind of weapon that may be associated with their costume.**
- 3. Children are asked not to wear a mask that covers their whole face during school hours with the exception of the Halloween parade.**



Families are welcome to join us for the costume parade on October 31! It will start promptly after lunch at 1:30 p.m.

HOW TO LET US KNOW IF YOUR CHILD WON'T BE AT SCHOOL



SCHOOLMESSENGER®

SAFE ARRIVAL

Student Absence Reporting System

What is Safe Arrival?

Safe Arrival is an absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence.

School Messenger / Safe Arrival App (Free)

1. Provide your email address to the school.
2. Get the app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.
3. Tap Sign Up to create your account.
4. Select Attendance from the menu, and then select Report and Absence.

Web and Mobile Web option: go.schoolmessenger.com

1. Provide your email address to the school.
2. Go to the website.
3. Click Sign Up to create your account.
4. Select Attendance from the menu, then select Report and Absence.

The school does attendance twice a day - at 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

If your child(ren) is/are marked absent from their class and absence was not added onto the Safe Arrival system, you will receive an email and an automated call from the system.



October



	1 / Day 2 FALL INTO READING ASSEMBLY	2 / Day 3	3 / day 4	4 / Day 5
7 / Day 6 BUS RIDERSHIP 	8 / Day 1	9 / Day 2 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY NO SCHOOL	10 / Day 3	11 / Day 4 *SCHOOL* PICTURE *DAY*
14 <i>Thanksgiving</i> NO SCHOOL	15 / Day 5	16 / Day 6	17 / Day 1	18 / Day 2
21 / Day 3	22 / Day 4	23 / Day 5	24 / Day 6	25 / Day 1 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY NO SCHOOL
28 / Day 2	29 / Day 3	30 / Day 4	31 / Day 5 HALLOWEEN PARADE (PM) 	TRICK OR TREAT



DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER 9.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

OCTOBER 11.....PICTURE DAY

OCTOBER 14.....THANKSGIVING DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

OCTOBER 25.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

OCTOBER 28 - 31.....SPIRIT WEEK!

OCTOBER 31.....HALLOWEEN PARADE (AFTERNOON)

NOVEMBER 1.....NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

NOVEMBER 5.....GRADE 6 IMMUNIZATION

NOVEMBER 11.....REMEMBRANCE DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

NOVEMBER 18.....REPORT CARDS EMAILED HOME

NOVEMBER 20.....PICTURE RETAKE DAY

NOVEMBER 21.....TRI-CONFERENCES 3:30P.M.

NOVEMBER 22.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

NOVEMBER 22.....TRI-CONFERENCES (MORNING)

DECEMBER 10.....WINTER CONCERT GRADES 1-3

DECEMBER 16-20.....SPIRIT WEEK!

DECEMBER 20.....LAST DAY OF CLASSES

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 3.....WINTER BREAK

JANUARY 6.....SCHOOL REOPENS

JANUARY 31.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

FEBRUARY 17.....LOUIS RIEL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**

FEBRUARY 18 - 21.....FESTIVAL DU VOYAGEUR / SPIRIT WEEK!

FEBRUARY 21.....PANCAKE BREAKFAST



DATES TO REMEMBER CONT.

MARCH 13.....STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES 3:30P.M.
MARCH 14.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**
MARCH 14.....STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES (MORNING)
MARCH 24-28.....SPIRIT WEEK!
MARCH 24.....REPORT CARDS EMAILED HOME
MARCH 28.....LAST DAY OF CLASSES
MARCH 31 - APRIL 4.....SPRING BREAK

APRIL 7.....SCHOOL REOPENS
APRIL 7 - 11.....ANTI-BULLYING WEEK
APRIL 9.....NATIONAL DAY OF PINK
APRIL 10.....MOBILE VISION CLINIC
APRIL 11.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**
APRIL 18.....GOOD FRIDAY, **NO SCHOOL**
APRIL 22.....EARTH DAY
APRIL 22 - 25.....EARTH WEEK

MAY 8.....GRADE 4-6 MUSICAL
MAY 9.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**
MAY 13.....JOG IN THE PARK
MAY 19.....VICTORIA DAY, **NO SCHOOL**
MAY 28.....GRADE 6 IMMUNIZATIONS

JUNE 2-6.....SPIRIT WEEK!
JUNE 11 - 13.....GRADE 6 CAMP
JUNE 25.....GRADE 6 FAREWELL
JUNE 26.....NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, **NO SCHOOL**
JUNE 27.....LAST DAY OF CLASSES
JUNE 27.....EARLY DISMISSAL 11:00 A.M.

