
AROUND LARONDE – May 13, 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.

We hope that all of the mothers in our Laronde community had a wonderful Mothers' Day! 🌸🍋

We have a few exciting events coming up: Café Musique this week, the Children's Festival next week on Thursday and Walk or Wheel to School Week the following week. We look forward to seeing many of our parents and guardians at these events. Thank you in advance to all the parents and guardians who help out and support our students at these events!

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Thank you to all the families who park legally and who park further away and walk to get to school. We know that with many students getting a ride to school it can be difficult to find parking.

A friendly reminder to all parents/guardians:

- DO NOT park on the cross walk
- DO NOT park too close to the cross walks (this prevents pedestrian from being seen by other cars)
- DO NOT park in front of our neighbours driveways or in their driveways

WALK or WHEEL TO SCHOOL WEEK

This annual event is coming up during the week of May 27 – May 31. We encourage all of our students and families to walk, bike ride or scooter to school as often as possible and especially during this week. We will have leadership students counting how many students walk or ride or scoot to school each day. If the students meet a certain goal Mme Niro and Mme Maharaj will dress all in blue with wigs and some face paint too.

BIKE PARADE

We will once again be hosting our bike parade to culminate our walk or wheel to school week. We invite all students in grades 1 – 3 to bring their bikes or scooters to school on Friday, May 31 for 9:00 am. Students are encouraged to decorate their bikes or scooters. We will take a slow ride three times around the school grounds. Please ensure your child wears a helmet. Parents/guardians are welcome to watch.



Twitter: @larondelynx

Library:

<http://bibliolaronde.weebly.com>

Upcoming Events

Wed. May 15 – Café Musique
1:30 & 6:30

Mon. May 20 – no school
Victoria Day

Mon. May 27 – no school –
PRO-D

Fri. May 31 – PAC AGM @
9:00 in the staff room

Orff Practice Update

Mme Ziolkoski kindly requests that our Orff students come practice on Tues. May 14 and Wed. May 15 from 7:45 – 9:00 am for the upcoming Café Musique!

MORE IMPORTANT NEWS

ULTIMATE

This year we had a record number of Grade 5 participants for ultimate. We almost had 30 players for the whole season. Our jamboree at the end of the season was a huge success and the players had a fantastic time, lots were dressed in tutus and long colorful socks! Our focus was on the Spirit of the Game and having fun. A big thank you to Mme Burden for coaching our ultimate team! We appreciate your time!

BADMINTON

If you know someone who played on the Grade 7 badminton team, make sure to give them two thumbs up for their awesome season! Starting in mid-March with an afternoon and a morning practice, they faced their first opponents with tenacity and sportsmanship. Through the season, we welcomed two more keen players on the team and all worked hard to improve and challenge each other. All players' skills increased tremendously and they reaped the benefits of having a smaller team this year, as all players were able to attend and have game time every week. By the end of the season in late April, the team finished with a game where they won all but a couple of matches! A huge thank you to Mme Carvajal for coaching our grade seven badminton team! We appreciate your time!

TRACK & FIELD

We had a fabulous mini meet last week at the South Surrey Track. We took over 75 students – who all did really well! We are very proud of our students efforts.

We wanted to remind parents that all students in grades 3 – 7 participating in track and field are still invited to keep practicing in the various events until Friday, May 24.

We wanted to explain how students are selected to attend the district track meet. Only two students per event per age category are allowed to compete. We look at student attendance, performance, if they meeting or close to meeting district standards and we try to give a variety of students events and not just a small group. Typically students in grades 3 and 5 do not attend the meet as they are in a category with older students (grade 3 students compete with grades four students and grade 5 students compete against grade six students). If you have any questions about your child's participation please contact Mme Niro or Mme Burden.

Last day of practice for all athletes is May 24, except those going to the district track meet they will have another week of practice until May 31.

RSL (Ready Set Learn)



Track & Field Mini Meet!

In the Community

PAC NEWS:

Next PAC meeting → May 31
@ 9:00 am (staff room)
(all parents/guardians are invited)

WALK OR WHEEL TO SCHOOL

See info on first page of newsletter.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

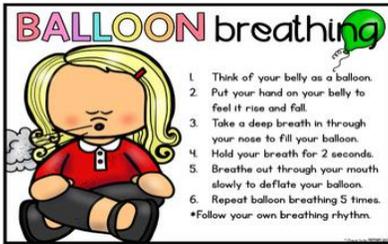
Thurs. June 6 @ 9 -10 or 1 – 2
(email will be sent to K families)

LOST & FOUND

We have many nice items in our lost & found. Please come have a look and/or send your child(ren) to have a look before we donate the clothing later this week.

It was a great success! We had 29 children attend! We want to thank parents, neighbours and local daycares for bringing the children to this event. We were very happy to see so many children come be part of Laronde for an hour. A big thank you to Mme Hardiman, Mme Chung, Mme Paulhus, Mme Montgomery, Mme Herd, Mme Wong and the students of division 4 who all helped make this event a success!

AT HOME BREATHING EXERCISES



MOVING FROM LARONDE

Although we never want to see anyone leave Laronde - we would like to ask any families who are thinking of moving out of our school or who know that they will be leaving our school to please let our office staff know as soon as possible. This helps us when organizing classes for the next school year.

CLASS ORGANIZATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

Soon our school will begin the process of determining class organizations/student placements for the 2019-20 school year. This process will be ongoing until about mid-September. During this time teachers and administrators consider many factors when determining how classes will be organized and where students will be placed. Please know that our staff takes this process very seriously.

Here are some of the many factors we consider:

- class size and composition (mix of boys & girls, consideration for students with special needs...)
- number of available spaces and classes
- students' strengths, needs and learning styles
- students' intellectual, social and emotional development
- maintaining appropriate balance between class size, strengths, and needs
- social dynamics

Each year we do our best to make classes that will meet the learning needs of all students. This is a complex endeavor. If you wish to provide us with additional information about your child for us to consider especially with regards to your child's intellectual, social and/or emotional needs please feel free to email Mme Niro at niro_s@surreyschools.ca with the subject: **class placement information 2019-20**.

Please note that we are unable to give consideration to requests for specific teachers.

DANCE OPPORTUNITY

Mme Ziolkoski's daughter, Lauren, a former Laronde student has volunteered to share her love of Irish dance with the students from our school. Lauren is a world recaller who is currently first in western Canada and dances locally with Steel School of Irish Dance. For four weeks she will be offering an opportunity for students in grades 1 – 3 to be introduced to the world of Irish dance. Mme Ziolkoski will be there to supervise the students. A form will be sent home; interested students please return the forms to Mme Ziolkoski. The four sessions will be on Tuesdays May 21, 28 and June 6 and 13.

USED SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Once again Canadian Food for Children's will be collecting used school supplies at the end of this school year. If you would like to donate your child's gently used supplies please let your child know. In late June students can bring their supplies to the front of the school and place them into the appropriate bins.