



# LOGAN LAKE ELEMENTARY

Friday, September 5, 2025

*Students of this community are caring, capable, courageous thinkers  
who are effective citizens.*

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Welcome back to all our parents, students, and staff of LLES and LLESS. I hope everyone was able to enjoy the wonderful weather, get outside and spend time with family and friends. We are very excited to be back in classes and engaging our students in their learning. I am very excited to be here for the next several weeks and have enjoyed meeting the students. It is a pleasure to return to the community that I began my career in many years ago. I look forward to meeting more of you in the coming weeks.

Once again, we have welcomed many new families into both campuses and to our community. It is nice to see the students are settling in very well and the hallways and fields are a buzz with positive energy.

With the start of the new school year comes the opportunity to welcome new staff. Joining our staff at LLESS this year will be Ms. Mackenzie, Learning Assistance Resource Teacher; Ms. Blouin, counselor and Mrs. Montgomery, who will be joining us in a new role as a CEA. Our new staff will be a great complement to our existing staff.

Joining our staff at LLES we have Ms. Fulton, joining us from LLESS in the grade 2/3 classroom, Ms.

Mackay, who will again be teaching grade 5 which is now at the elementary school, and Ms. Danyluk, in the Grade 1/2 room. Mrs. Grant will also be joining us as a CEA from LLESS. We now have seven divisions at the elementary school, up from five last year.

A reminder to our parents that we have a very supportive PAC at LLES and LLESS. All parents are encouraged to become PAC members. Our PAC serves as a great collaborative role in our schools with a primary focus on our learning environment and supporting student-centered initiatives. These are not fundraising positions but rather opportunities to be a part of goal setting and planning to enhance our overall educational programs. Come out and make a difference in your child's education by being part of the discussions and decisions that impact our schools. If you are interested there will be further information in an upcoming article in this newsletter.

Please be sure to drop by for our upcoming mug 'n Muffin mornings next week and introduce yourself. Also, please feel free to email, or call us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mike Johnson— Acting Principal

WELCOME  
BACK  
to  
School

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## **PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)**

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You do not need to hold a position to attend regular PAC meetings. All parents and guardians of students are considered voting PAC members.

**The PAC Executive positions are as follows:**

PAC Chairperson  
Elementary Vice Chair  
Elem/Sec Vice Chair  
Elementary Treasurer  
Elem/Sec Treasurer  
Secretary

**If you are interested in holding a position, please attend our next PAC meeting Wednesday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the library at Logan Lake Secondary, where we will be voting in the 2025-2026 PAC executives.**

The following scheduled PAC meeting is September 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the library at Logan Lake Secondary.

### **FUNDRAISING**

The PAC apple fundraiser will be coming out again this year! Stay tuned for more information this month on how to purchase the best tasting apples.



LLES/LLSS PAC

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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### **MUG AND MUFFIN**

We will be hosting our annual “Mug and Muffin” event for grades K-5 on Sept 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:10 – 8:30.

The purpose of the event is to have parents/guardians meet their child’s teacher(s), place a name to a face and perhaps visit their classroom. They are not intended to be a formal interview to talk about your individual child.

We encourage you to contact your child’s teacher directly if you wish to converse about specifics.

### **TERRY FOX RUN**

Our annual Terry Fox School Run will be held on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Our elementary students will start at Magg’s Park and walk or run around the lake in support of cancer research. Students are encouraged to bring “Toonies for Terry” this week with a goal of raising \$250.00.

Students who donate, will be entered into a draw to win a Terry Fox T-shirt! All proceeds raised will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation.



### **ORANGE SHIRT DAY**

Wearing an orange shirt on September 29<sup>th</sup> and promoting the slogan “Every Child Matters”, is an affirmation of our commitment to raise awareness of the residential school experience. Ensuring that every child matters as we focus on our hope for a better future in which children are empowered to help one another.

### **TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION DAY**

Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> is now a statutory holiday across Canada and a designated national day for Truth and Reconciliation. School will not be in session on that day.

### **SCHOOL PICTURE DAY**

Picture Day will be held on Thursday Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> 2025. Prior to photo day, an order form will be sent home with students listing package selection and prices for pre-payment. You can place your order at the time of your child’s photo. You can also place your order online 1 day after photo day. Online costs are 10% more than payment at the camera due to software charges.

**Retakes will take place on Tuesday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

Retakes will operate the same as original photo day. If you're not satisfied with your original photo package, have your child bring it in on retake day, we'll take a new photo and send you a new package at no charge, we do not say no to retakes.

You can place your order:

- by having the student hand in their order form on Photo Day as their photo is taken. Pre-paid orders on site are 10% less than online ordering due to software costs.
- you can mail in your order at anytime after photo Day or Retake Day.
- you can also place your order online!

Go to their website [www.rightphotography.com](http://www.rightphotography.com) and go to the Online Ordering tab. Find our school by Original photo day or Retake Day. When asked for a password to access the student's image, just type in their student ID number and you'll be able to view their photo and place an order.

Photos will be uploaded within 1-2 days after photo day. Photo packages delivered 2 weeks after photo day or order placement.

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## INFORMATION

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### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

SD73 offers a program that allows families to purchase school supplies directly through the school at a savings.

This once a year charge ensures your child will always be equipped with the proper school supplies.

Kindergarten	\$35.00
Gr 1-3	\$35.00
Gr 4-5	\$53.00
Agenda (Gr1-5):	\$10.00

School supply fees are due back by Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. We accept cash or cheque or payment online using School Cash Online. If paying by cheque, please make it payable to Logan Lake

Elementary. *Should you choose to purchase your own school supplies, your child's classroom teacher will provide a list of the required materials. **If your child's fees are not paid by Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, we will assume you are choosing to purchase your own supplies and will provide a list to you.***

*Please note that paying online has a processing fee (on average 5%) incorporated in the cost to be paid online, which was approved by the Board after the budget consultation process last spring. These represent true transaction fees charged by the District's processing platform. Payments submitted to the school by cash or cheque should be in the amount of the fees listed.*

### **COMMUNICATION POUCHES**



We have communication pouches available to purchase! These high quality, durable and heavy duty pouches are a tear resistant design and will keep agendas and homework clean and dry especially during the winter months. They have designated "To School" and "Take Home" separate pockets for easy communication and to keep students organized. Each pouch is \$8.00 and is available to purchase along with school supplies.

### **SCHOOL CASH**



*SchoolCash Online is an online payment system that provides an easy method of paying your child's fees for courses, field trips, sports teams, clubs and many other student activities anytime, anywhere in a safe and secure web-based environment.*

#### **How to create an account:**

Go to [SchoolCash Online](http://SchoolCash Online) and click Register.

- Type your first name, last name, and email address, and create a password.
- Select a security question.
- Select YES to receive email notifications. You will not receive any marketing emails. Selecting YES enables the system to send you fee notifications.

SchoolCash Online will send you a registration confirmation email. If you do not receive it, check your Spam folder. Use your email address and password to log in.

### **How to add a student to your account:**

Sign in to [SchoolCash Online](#).

From the menu at the top of the page, navigate to **MY ACCOUNT**. From the drop-down menu, select My Students.

Click to add a student.

- Type in School District No.73 (Kamloops-Thompson).
- Select your school name from the list.
- Enter student details. The system is fully secure, with [PCI certification](#).
- Click Confirm.

### **IMPORTANT FORMS**

Several forms will be handed out to students this week, they included; Off School Grounds Permission Form and Inside/Outside Media Consent Forms, GEDU and Technology Use.

Off School Grounds Permission Form, will allow us to take our students for a walk in the community. This permission will remain on file for the 2025-26 school year.

Personal Information Consent, "Inside Media", permits the school to collect a student's photo for things such as newsletters, district websites and/or teacher's private Facebook groups.

Outside Media in schools is provided for parents to notify the school if they do not wish to have their child's photo taken or published for an external source eg. Global News.

If you have not already done so, please be sure to sign and return these forms to the school as soon as possible.

### **INDIGENOUS EDUCATION FORMS**

The Ministry of Education provides enhanced funding to districts and schools for students with Indigenous ancestry. Enhanced funding provides programs to support the success of all Indigenous students. Students who are identified upon their enrollment as having Indigenous ancestry have the opportunity to participate and benefit from programs and services that increase achievement, engagement, culture and/or language. Parents do not need to have proof of Indigenous ancestry to identify. There are over 60 thousand students in BC who self-identify as being of Indigenous (First Nations, Metis, or Inuit) ancestry. The annual renewal forms are due in the main office by September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.

### **TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE**

Transportation Assistance may be granted in accordance with the public school act to parents/legal guardians, if the distance to a designated school is more than 4.8 km. Application forms are available at the school office. Reminder: Parents who are eligible for SD#73 Transportation Assistance, must complete a new application each year.

### **MEDICAL ALERT**

This is a reminder to parents/guardians of students in the school that have been diagnosed with a potentially life threatening condition such as:

- Diabetes
- Epilepsy/Seizures
- Anaphylaxis and/or history of severe allergic reactions
- Severe asthma
- Other conditions which may require emergency care



Please ensure you have completed a Medical Alert Planning form or an Anaphylactic Student Emergency Procedure Plan Form. If you have not completed them for the 2025-26 school year, please contact the school to make an appointment to do so as quickly as possible.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteer interest forms were recently sent home with students. Right now, we're especially looking for on-call hot lunch volunteers and on-call noon hour supervisors.

If you're interested in helping out, please return the form to your child's teacher or to the school office.

### **LATE ARRIVALS**

Students who arrive after the bell, will need come to the main entrance to sign in as all other exterior doors will remain locked.

### **SAFE ARRIVAL – SCHOOL MESSENGER**



Parents, to report a student's absence, please use our new safe arrival system called SchoolMessenger. The best and easiest way is by downloading the

SchoolMessenger App. (The app will have a blue/white icon.)

You may also go online to:

<https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>

\*when making an account, please make sure you are using the .ca site.

The toll free number to report a student's absence is: 1-844-350-2647.

If you have any questions or concerns about the system, you may contact Mrs. Mullin at 250-523-6215.

### **JUMP START BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

A huge thanks to Cobs Bread who will once again be one of our donors for our school's breakfast program! Another big thanks to the Lions club for supporting and preparing the food for the students every morning.

### **SNACK SHACK – MUNCHALUNCH**

Our hot lunch program will begin on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Hot lunch is available every week offering mini pizzas on Mondays, grilled cheese on Thursdays and chicken nuggets on Fridays, along with various snack options. Parents can easily place an order and pay online using Munchalunch.

The Fall menu for Munchalunch will run from September 8<sup>th</sup> - December 19<sup>th</sup>.

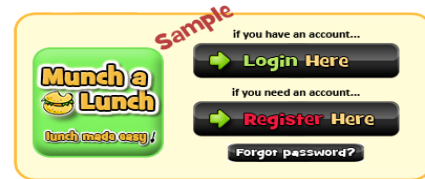
### **How to Register for MunchaLunch:**

1. Go to: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/loganlake> (This link can be found on our school website)

2. Click the “**Register Here**” button (as shown below). The system will guide you through.

3. After adding your children, click the green “Order Lunch!” button to order.

4. Next time, just click the “**Login Here**” button to access your account.



You can pay for your orders online by credit card (Visa/MasterCard) OR prepay at the school office by cash or cheque.

### **NUT FREE SCHOOL**

Logan Lake Elementary continues to be a nut free school due to anaphylactic concerns. This allergy means eating anything that contains nuts can be life threatening to anaphylactic students. In addition, *touching surfaces that nuts have been on* can also be life threatening. Please ensure that your child's snacks and lunches are nut free.



**Thank you in advance for your cooperation.**

### **ONE TO ONE READING**



One to One Reading is a literacy program that provides additional one on one support for students who need a little extra support as they work on improving their reading skills. Parents, if you or someone you know is interested in volunteering to read with our students, please contact Mrs. Hine by phoning the school office. Volunteer tutor training will be scheduled later in the fall. Training includes the Come Read With Me workshop followed by some additional information.

### **STUDENT DRESS CODE**

School District #73 has revised its school Dress Code. We encourage parents/guardians and students to review the revised Dress Code (AP350.2) here. If you have any

questions or concerns about the revised Dress Code, please contact our administration at the school.

advance [here](#). Following your registration, you will receive the link to the meeting.

## **REMINDERS**

Our parking lots are very busy before and after school. Students riding their bikes are to dismount their bikes and walk once they reach our school grounds, making them more visible to drivers. Thanks for your help with this.

## **PARENT ENGAGEMENT SESSION**

Wednesday, September 17th, 2025, from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM by zoom

### **Title: Partnering for Success**

*resented by Deanna Brady, District Principal of Inclusive Education, and Lise Hyam, District Coordinator of Inclusive Education.*

Are you looking for ways to better understand how schools in BC support students with diverse needs? Join us for the first SD73 Parent Engagement Session of the 2025-2026 school year to learn how to better understand the education system and your role as a parent. This practical, parent-friendly session is designed to help you feel informed and confident in partnering with your child's school. In this session, you will:

- Learn how the BC education system supports students with diverse needs
- Understand the roles of teachers, education assistants, case managers, and school teams
- Gain a clear overview of Individual Education Plan (IEPs) —what they are, how they work, and your rights as a parent
- Discover simple strategies to prepare for, participate in, and follow up after IEP meetings
- Take home easy-to-use resources, including checklists, key questions, and a guide to supports available in BC

This session is about empowerment and partnership—helping you become a strong advocate for your child while building positive, collaborative relationships with the school team. This workshop will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. If you are interested in attending, please register in

# **Important Dates 2025-26**

September 5.....	Welcome back BBQ
September 9.....	Mug and Muffin
September 19.....	Terry Fox Run
September 22 .....	No School -Non-Instructional
September 25.....	School Photos
September 29.....	Orange Shirt Day
September 30.....	Truth & Reconciliation Day
October 13.....	Thanksgiving
October 24.....	Non-Instructional
October 31.....	Halloween
November 7.....	Photo Re-takes
November 11.....	Remembrance Day
December 1.....	Non-Instructional
December 12.....	Holiday Lunch
December 22- January 2.....	Winter Break
January 5 .....	School Re-opens
February 6 .....	Non-Instructional
February 14.....	Valentine's Day
February 16.....	Family Day
March 16-Mar 27.....	Spring Break
April 3 .....	Good Friday
April 6.....	Easter Monday
April 27 .....	Non-Instructional
May 15 .....	Non-Instructional
May 18.....	Victoria Day
June 25.....	Last Day of School

**Kamloops SD#73 calendar can also be found at:**

<https://calendar.sd73.bc.ca/default/Month>

*Board Notes*



Click [HERE](#) for August 25th Board Notes