

## The Racoon Report

A Place of Learning, A Place of Belonging

Coghlan Fundamental is a place of belonging for everyone!

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From kindness rocks to wheel chair sports, this past month was a time to promote awareness, acceptance, and inclusion for all members of our school community.



It was heart warming to see Coghlan students share their understanding of what makes us different and what makes us the same. At the Pink Shirt Assembly students from Ms. Hunter's class shared their personal identities from being a confident girl, to having asthma, to being the tallest in the class. At this



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assembly we were also able to introduce Hallie and Brielle as our Student Principal and Secretary of the day. These titles were won at the PAC Pub night silent auction.

Our Kindness rock display is growing as students find rocks that are special to them and bring them in to add to our display. Eventually we will move these rocks outdoors to make a kindness river of rocks in our picnic table area.



### Black History Month



The Langley Board of Education passed a motion to officially acknowledge February as Black History Month. This artistic rendition of Canadian Civil Rights Activist Viola Desmond, was a collaborative art project by Ms. Kehler's Gr 4/5 class and led by parent volunteer Mrs. Krabbendam.

## Let's Play Wheel Chair Sports

Students at Coghlan were pretty excited to try out the wheel chairs for PE. Langley School District Learning Support Services in partnership with Pacific Sport Fraser Valley and BC Wheelchair Sports Let's Play Program, provided ten sport wheelchairs to introduce wheelchair sports/play to our PE program. Coghlan students learned that playing ball on wheels is quite a challenging task.





#### **Grade 6/7 Band Concert at Poppy.**

Thank you to Ms. Caswell for providing the opportunity for our Gr. 6&7 band students to play at the Poppy Family of Schools Concert. It was great to hear bands from other schools and to see who they may be playing in concert with next year.

#### Scholastic Book Fair - March 9-13

Come to Coghlan Library to check out books for Spring Break reading. This is a great fundraiser for our school and supports our literacy goal for reading and writing for the LOVE OF IT!

Student Led / Parent Teacher Conferences March 11 & 12 - Early
Dismissal 1:40pm

On March 11th all classes will be holding student-led conferences. The goal of this conference is to provide you with a deeper understanding of what your child is learning and how you can support your child at home. During the conference, for the most part, your child is in charge of showing you what they have been doing and learning at school. We look forward to this valuable time to meet together to share insights about your child's progress and ways we can support continued success at school.

March 12 - Parent Teacher interviews will be for those parents who have been notified by the teacher to request further conversation.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Morrison back to Coghlan as the teacher of Div. 9 students on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays. We wish Mrs. Tekatch well as she gets ready for the birth of her third child. Ms. Blake will still be at teaching Div. 9 students on Thursdays and Fridays.

#### Student Learning Survey

Each year, the Ministry of Education conducts the Student Learning Survey (formerly the Satisfaction Survey) with students in grades 4, 7, 10 and 12 and their parents. Parents from grade 4 & 7 students can access the survey at <a href="https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp">https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp</a>, and choose Direct Access at the bottom right. The information collected in this survey can help us make decisions at the school and the district level.

# Please find listed below various activities for the next couple of months. We hope you will be able to join us.

March 9- 13 Scholastic Book Fair

March 11 Student Led Conference & Scholastic Book Fair (1:40 pm dismissal)

March 12 Parent Teacher Interview (1:40 pm dismissal)

March 13 Hot lunch

March 16-27 spring break

March 31Talent Show sign up

April 3 Class/Panorama photos

**April 10 Good Friday** 

**April 13 Easter Monday** 

April 15 Ready Set Learn

April 17 Jump Rope for heart...Kick off assembly

April 17 Movie Night - Dora the Explorer

April 20 Gr 5-7 Oratories at Coghlan 9am

April 20 - May 1 Talent Show Auditions (lunch time)

April 21 - Gr 1-4 Oratories at Coghlan 9am

April 21 NL #9 / PAC mtg 7pm

May 11 &12 District Speech Fest



#### **Community Reminders**





The summer program at DM Poppy Secondary School has been designed to keep students connected to school and give them a head start as they transition into Grade 8. Moving to high school or simply changing schools can be a challenge for many students and extra time and support can make a huge difference in making a smoother, more successful transition.

Dates: June 29th - 30th, July 2nd - 3rd, & July 6th - 9th

Time: 8:20AM-1:30PM

Phone: 604-530-2151



We have designed a program that will include a variety of academic and recreational activities with an emphasis on Musical Theatre and Physical Education. The curriculum is designed around being a successful student. In addition to core academic skills, we will focus on organization, cooperation, problem solving and working collaboratively with peers. The program is designed to be experiential and allow students to explore and participate in the schoolcommunity.

No school supplies are required, but we do ask that students bring a lunch on a daily basis. There may be some lunches provided. We will advise students of this in advance. Breakfast will be available if required. Due to the heat in the summer we ask parents packade quate water and sunscreen. Please have students put on sunscreen before they leave the house, as we will be outside for a portion of the day.

For more information and/ or to register call 604-530-2151