



# The Lion's Roar



## Walter Lee Elementary

Friday, May 26, 2023



### LET'S KEEP OUR PARKING LOT SAFE FOR LEE STUDENTS & FAMILIES!

Our school parking lot gets extremely busy before and after school. For everyone's safety,

**PLEASE FOLLOW** these Parking Lot Safety reminders for safer traffic flow during these busy times.

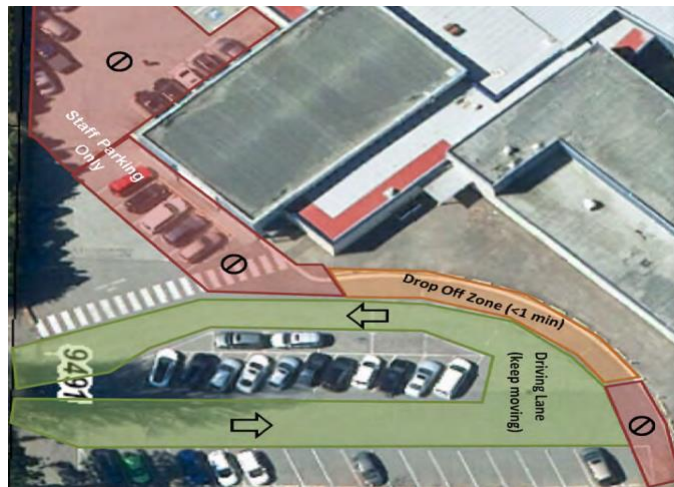
#### PARKING LOT SAFETY REMINDERS

- ONLY PARK IN PARKING STALLS.** Keep moving in the driving lane to avoid traffic jams.
- NO PARKING IN THE DROP OFF LANE or STAFF PARKING AREA.** Only stop in the Drop Off Lane long enough for your child to get out/get into car - less than 1 minute.
- If you need to park and leave your car, **PARK ON NEARBY STREETS.** There is parking all around the school. Please see neighbourhood map.
- PLEASE SLOW DOWN** and watch out for our students and families.
- KEEP THE CROSSWALKS CLEAR** to ensure our students and families can cross safely.

**PLEASE FOLLOW THESE SAFETY REMINDERS TO KEEP OUR STUDENTS & FAMILY SAFE!  
THANK YOU!**

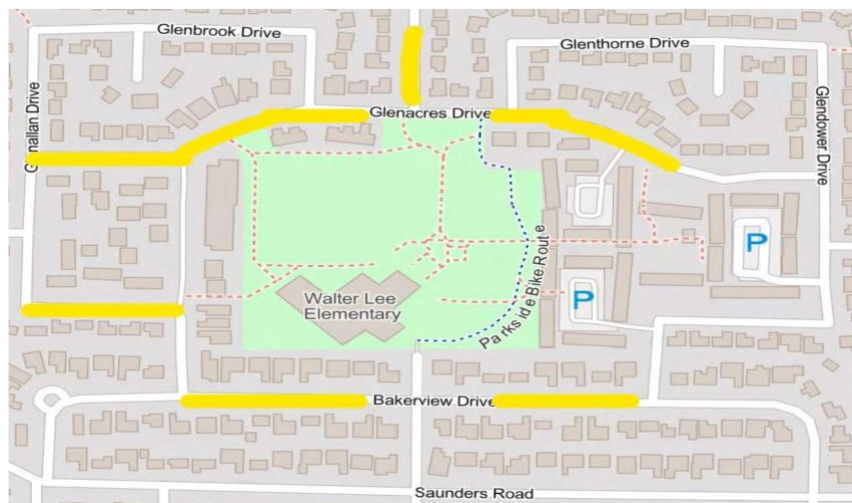
**Questions?** Contact the Lee Parent Advisory Council (PAC) at [LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com](mailto:LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com) or Principal Mr. Chan.

#### WALTER LEE PARKING LOT MAP



#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PARKING OPTIONS

Available street parking options in **yellow**



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Mr. A. Chan, Principal

Mr. Chris Stanger, Area Superintendent Mr. R. Lee, School Liaison Trustee

School web page: [lee.sd38.bc.ca](http://lee.sd38.bc.ca)

## SPORTS DAY FRIDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>



Students will be participating in a variety of activity stations in our school field. Parents are welcome to come support all the Lee Lions.

In the past, Walter Lee had weekly Friday early dismissal and sports day occurred on one of those days. With the district harmonizing all school schedules, we don't have early dismissal days anymore. **This year, students will also be dismissed on June 16<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm at the conclusion of Sports Day.**

## PARENT INPUT - CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

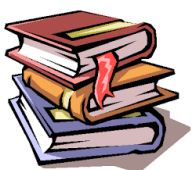
Each year at this time, we begin to make school organization plans for September based upon the number of students we know are returning and new registrations. Before school ends in June, your child's current classroom teacher, resource staff, educational assistants and administration will work together to place students for the upcoming school year. Despite these challenging times, this process will still take place but with alternative procedures for staff coming together. These plans are tentative until the first week in September when final student numbers are known. In the first few days of September, all staff meet to confirm teaching assignments and review student placements.

In the organizational meetings, many factors are considered when placing students. Considerations include: **learning styles and strengths, social / personal characteristics, students with special needs, ELL Levels, contractual obligations**

As you can see, this is a complicated process, and this list is by no means exclusive, as there are many factors unique to a situation that must and will be taken into account.

If you would like the opportunity to provide the school with information about your child's placement for next year, you are welcome to send a letter to Mr. Chan at [alchan@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:alchan@sd38.bc.ca) by **Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**. We will not accept any letters that come in after June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The information you provide should **not include a request for a specific teacher**, but rather some important personal or educational information that will assist us in our decision. Please be aware that the final decision regarding placement needs to be a school-based decision.

## LEE LIBRARY UPDATES



The library will be closing two weeks before the end of school. Your child may receive a notice for any books still showing in their account at this time. Please help your child return the books or indicate on the notice if a book has been lost or if you believe it to have been returned already. Thank you for your assistance as we piece together our collection. Have a wonderful break and enjoy the summer reading program offered at all branches of the Richmond Public Library!

## NOTICE OF LATE RETURN 2023-2024

The first day back from summer break will be **Tuesday, September 5, 2023**. It is important to let the school if your child will be returning to school later than Wednesday, September 6, 2023. A "Notice of Late Return" Form is available at the office for any student(s) who expects to not be in school on the first day.

## JUST B4 PRESCHOOL

Registration for Just B4 Preschool Program in September 2023 with Richmond School District is still available. The preschool program is specifically designed for 4-year-old children (born in 2019) to attend Just B4 with the hopes of inspiring and supporting the creation of rich, joyful early childhood spaces. Our approach is emergent, play-based and focuses on children's natural inquiries. For more information and to register online, please visit: <https://sd38.bc.ca/programs/early-learning-programs/just-b4-preschool>



**RICHMOND** | Just B4 Preschool  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38 | at Richmond StrongStart Centres

Registration for September 2023 opens  
March 8, 2023  
Children born in 2019 may apply

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"The image of the child is upheld in the belief that children are strong and capable in their uniqueness and full of potential."

**PROGRAMS**

- Just B4 - Lee Elementary  
M/W/F Program (9:00 - 11:30 am)
- Just B4 - Lee Elementary  
T/Th Program (9:00 - 11:30 am)
- Just B4 - Grauer Elementary  
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## THANK YOU TO OUR TEACHER CANDIDATES



Thank you to our Teacher Candidates: Ms. Saini and Ms. Lyseng. We really appreciated your hard work, support, commitment, and dedication to your role as Teachers at Lee. We hope this experience will have served to prepare you for your careers in education and in making a difference for the students that you teach. We wish you all the best in your future!

## GRADE 7 FAREWELL WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup>

Save the date!! Grade 7 families will be formally invited to wish congratulations to our students heading to high school next school year. A detailed invitation will be shared with families closer to date.

The farewell assembly will take place on June 28<sup>th</sup> in the morning with time TBA.

The students will be served lunch and will conclude the day with a dance.



## LOST AND FOUND



All items that have been collected in the Lost and Found will be displayed on tables outside the hallway by the gym. Parents are welcome to come into the school through the main entrance and have a look. **Items not collected by June 28<sup>th</sup> will be donated to charity.**

## SUMMER LEARNING 2023



Summer 2023 is shaping up to be another exciting season of learning! For more information, please visit Richmond Continuing Education (RCE) website at: <https://ce.sd38.bc.ca/>

- Students who enroll in Elementary Enrichment, Exploration, Fine Arts or Innovation may take only ONE COURSE.
- Student who enroll in Academic Full Credit, Academic Completion or Secondary Enrichment may take in ONE or MORE courses.
- All international students with valid BC Study Permits will be charged tuition fees and may take one or more courses.
- Students may enroll in ONE or MORE fee paying summer camps.
- Students who have completed Kindergarten can register for Grade 1 Summer Courses.
- Students who have completed Grade 7 can register for Grade 8 summer courses (except Skill Building 8 and 9)

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## PAC UPDATES



### PAC Meeting

The next PAC meeting will be the AGM meeting and it is held on **Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm** in Lee Library.

### Hot Lunch

May and June hot lunch and treat orders are available to order on [Munchalunch](#). The next hot lunch will be **Pizza Hut on Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**, follow by Subway & Booster Juice for Sports Day on Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, and the last hot lunch that you can order is on Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> with TCBY Frozen Yogurt Treat Day.

### Call For Recipes



The PAC is already planning for the Walter Lee Welcome Back BBQ in September. We are asking each Lee Lion family to submit a recipe that will be shared with everyone at the BBQ.

All types of recipes are welcome:

- A celebratory dish during a special time.
- A family recipe that has been passed down.
- A recipe that the whole family loves.
- A fast and easy weekday dinner.
- A no-fail school lunch.

Submit your recipe by May 31<sup>st</sup> with this form:

<https://forms.gle/1vULbjxeMs3iZDEaA>

The PAC will discuss ideas for distributing recipes during and after the Walter Lee Welcome Back BBQ next year. Thank you in advance for sharing a bit of you with the school community!

Receive PAC updates on WhatsApp by joining our Lee PAC group. Email [LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com](mailto:LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com) to receive the secure invite link. You are welcome to contact PAC Executive at any time, email us or drop us a note at the school office.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon, May 29	Gr. K/1/6/7 Immunization
May 31 – Jun 2	Gr. 6/7 Outdoor Ed to Camp Elphinstone
Thu, Jun 1	Pizza Hut Hot Lunch
Wed, Jun 7	McNair High School Preview Day
Fri, Jun 16	Sports Day Parent Appreciation Day Subway & Booster Juice Hot Lunch Early Dismissal @ 2pm
Fri, Jun 23	TCBY Frozen Yogurt Treat Day
Wed, Jun 28	Grade 7 Assembly Term 3 Report Card Available Online
Thu, Jun 29	Year End Assembly Last Day of School