

The Lion's Roar



Walter Lee Elementary

Student absence: 604-668-6269 & PRESS "1" School Website: https://lee.sd38.bc.ca/

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the həńqəmińəm language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn, and live.

Friday, Oct 24, 2025

_	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oct 27-31		Gr 6/7 Volleyball vs Debeck		Hot lunch: Nandos Gr 6/7 Volleyball @ Debeck	Halloween: Costume spirit day Confirm your family bowling night by tomorrow: Nov 2
Nov 3-7				Gr 6/7 Volleyball vs Spul'u'kwuks Deadline to order Walter Lee Spirit Wear.	

Message from the Principal

As we approach our upcoming Costume Spirit Day, we're excited to see our students express their creativity and have fun! To ensure a safe and inclusive environment for everyone, please review the following costume guidelines before your child comes to school dressed up:

What's Encouraged:

- School-appropriate costumes that are fun, creative, and respectful.
- Comfortable and safe attire that allows students to participate in regular school activities.

What to Avoid:

- Scary or violent costumes (e.g., horror characters, blood, weapons).
- Masks or face paint that completely cover the face.
- Costumes with inappropriate language or imagery
- Costumes that are culturally insensitive
- Props that resemble weapons (e.g., swords, guns, knives—even if they're toys).

HALLOWEEN Costume contest October 31st, 2025 at Walter Lee Categories: best homemade funniest most creative best duo best lookalike Winners get a prize Made by Claire Lin

Additional Reminders:

- Students must be able to move freely and safely in their costumes.
- Costumes should not interfere with learning or classroom activities.
- If your child's costume includes accessories, please ensure they are safe and school-appropriate.

We appreciate your support in making this a fun and safe day for all students. If you have any questions or need guidance on costume choices, feel free to reach out to the school office.

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Family Smart: free in-person parenting sessions



Please see the following offerings by Family Smart (https://familysmart.ca/). Sessions, free in-person parenting sessions held at Brighouse Library (100-7700 Minoru Gate)

Below are topics, dates, and links to register:

Emotion Regulation

November 4 @ 10:00 am - 11:30 am

https://familysmart.ca/event/emotion-regulation-17/

Connecting with our Kids when Anxiety Leads to social isolation

November 18 @ 10:00 am - 11:30 am https://familysmart.ca/event/connecting-with-our-kids-when-anxiety-leads-to-social-isolation-5/

PAC family bowling night



Lee Lion spiritwear coming soon



Please use the link below to order your Walter Lee Spirit Wear. Sample colours/sizes are available at the office. No refund or exchanges.

Deadline to order is November 6th at 12 PM.

https://richmondsd38.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/103589/125/False/True

Sizing samples are available at the office.

If you have any questions, please contact PAC directly leeelementarypac@gmail.com

Reminder of school parking and drop-off guidelines

At our assembly on Friday, we shared a reminder if your child happens to be arriving to school after the 8:40am warning bell.

- All exterior doors to the school are unlocked to allow students to enter our school building safely
- Students will still need to check-in at the office if arriving to school after 8:50am

If students are going to be dropped off by car, please enter the school at Door #8. This way students don't have to walk through the parking lot at the front of the school.





To ensure the safety of students please be aware of the guidelines and directions for our school parking

We strongly encourage families walk to school and use street parking for morning drop off and afternoon pick up.

WALTER LEE PARKING LOT MAP



NEIGHBOURHOOD PARKING OPTIONS Available street parking options in yellow













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

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!

ory Council (PAC) at LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com or Principal Mr. Chan







PAC information





Follow us for Lee Parent updates:



Hot Lunch and treat days:

Thursday, October 30th - Nando's - ordering closes Friday, October 24th, 11:59PM

Thursday, November 13th - Westcoast Poke - ordering close Friday, November 7th, 11:59PM

<u>Thursday, November 27th</u> - Fukuroku Japanese - ordering closes Friday, November 21st, 11:59PM

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 11th</u> - Fusion Feast Pizza, Pasta and Curry - ordering closes Friday, December 5th, 11:59PM

<u>Friday, December 12th</u> - Hot Chocolate at recess - **CASH ONLY** and pre-orders collected in classrooms that week

<u>Thursday, December 18th</u> - TCBY - The Country's Best Yogurt (Frozen Yogurt & Sorbet) - ordering closes Friday, December 13th, 11:59PM

Don't know how to order? Follow these simple steps:

- 1) Go to: https://munchalunch.com/schools/walterlee/
- 2) Click the "Login Here" button to access your account
- 3) Click "Order Lunch" to place order & Pay

Please be sure to complete payment for your order(s) within one hour of ordering as Munch-a-Lunch automatically deletes all unpaid orders

If your student will be away for a hot lunch date, please notify PAC by email - <u>LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com</u> to arrange pick-up of the lunch.

There will be no refunds, and all lunches without pickup details will be donated to a student without a lunch.

We appreciate your support for our hot lunch program, and thank you for understanding.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The PAC needs help to make Hot Lunch a success. We are always looking for parent(s)/guardian(s) who can help organize orders on Hot Lunch days. Please check the "VOLUNTEER" option in Munch-a-Lunch that is provided after placing your order, or email the PAC team at LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com.

PAC Meeting:

Thank you to all who joined us this week for the October PAC meeting! Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 19th, at 5:30PM in the PAC library. Please join us as we discuss all things PAC and receive an update from Mr. Chan.

If you would like to request an addition to our agenda, please email us - LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com

Important fundraisers:

<u>Family Bowling Night</u> - The PAC and Splitsville Richmond have partnered to bring you a night of fun family bowling! There is still time to order your bowling package for Monday, November 10th (the night before the Remembrance Day stat holiday)!

Included in your \$125 package (5 pin and 10 pin lanes available):

- 90 minutes of bowling (6:00pm to 7:30pm; please arrive 10 minutes before start time), for up to six people ***All children must be supervised by an adult for entire event***
- **1 large pizza** (choice of cheese or pepperoni)
- 1 french fry platter
- unlimited fountain drinks

Splitsville allows you to wear your own clean closed-toe shoes (e.g. runners) for bowling. Bowling shoe rentals are included, if needed.

All packages will need to be pre-ordered via Munch-a-lunch under the "Fundraising Open!" tab! **Ordering closes Sunday, November 2nd, 11:59PM!**

<u>Purdy's Chocolates</u> - once again the PAC is fundraising with these delectable chocolates! Purdy's catalogues and ordering information will be coming home with your student in a few weeks! Please consider Purdy's for your holiday gift giving!

<u>Fundscrip</u> - Your PAC is helping to make your holiday gift giving easy! Soon your student will be bringing home a Fundscrip order form for a variety of gift cards to help ease your holiday shopping stress! You can order different denomination gift cards from major retailers and businesses all while helping fundraise!

Return-It Express - Support your Walter Lee PAC by returning your refundable containers including milk and plant based beverages throughout the year in this ongoing fundraiser!

You can now easily direct your Return-It Express refunds to the PAC! All you need to do is return your containers via the Express system (using the phone number attached to your account), log in on your home computer or phone and then choose to direct your refunds to Walter Lee PAC - either automatically each time you return containers or whenever you wish to send your funds!

<u>Mabel's and Oliver's Labels</u> - Help your child not lose their stuff while you support the Walter Lee PAC! Order labels for clothing, lunch containers, and so much more from Mabel's Labels or Oliver's Labels. A portion from every purchase goes back to our school. This fundraiser is ongoing and you can support it at any time in the year!

Visit campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search 'Walter Lee PAC' or www.oliverslabels.com/WalterLeePAC

Stay Connected!

Follow Us on Facebook – https://www.facebook.com/groups/1396269781230206 Receive PAC updates via WhatsApp by emailing your interest to LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com Check our PAC site for current information https://lee.sd38.bc.ca/parents/parent-advisory-council-pac

Significant dates in our community

October 1, 2025 – Kol Nidrei (Jewish) At sundown on October 1, the Jewish community will begin observance of Kol Nidrei, the solemn opening service of Yom Kippur. We extend our thoughts to those preparing for this sacred time of prayer, reflection, and personal renewal.

Translation note: Kol Nidrei (Hebrew: לְּלְּדְרֵּרִי) means "All Vows." It refers to a traditional prayer recited at the start of Yom Kippur. Pronounced: KOHL NEE-dray

October 2, 2025 - Yom Kippur (Jewish)

To our Jewish students, staff, and families, we wish you a meaningful Yom Kippur, the holiest day in the Jewish calendar. May this Day of Atonement bring peace, reflection, and renewal as you fast, pray, and gather with your communities.

Translation note: Yom Kippur (Hebrew: יוֹם†כָּפּוּר) means "Day of Atonement." Pronounced: YOHM kee-POOR

October 3, 2025 - Dussehra (Hindu)

We extend our warmest greetings to members of the Hindu community observing Dussehra. This festival marks the victory of good over evil and is often celebrated with prayer, cultural events, and family gatherings. May this day bring joy, prosperity, and light.

Translation note: Dussehra (also known as Vijayadashami) celebrates Lord Rama's victory over Ravana. Pronounced: Duh-SHEH-rah or Doo-SHEH-rah, depending on region.

October 20, 2025 – Diwali (Hindu, Sikh, Jain)

Happy Diwali to all who are celebrating the Festival of Lights! To our Hindu, Sikh, Jain, and interfaith families, may this joyous occasion bring brightness, peace, and renewal into your homes and hearts. Translation note: Diwali (Sanskrit: दीपावली – Deepavali) means "row of lights." It is celebrated across many faiths with the lighting of lamps, sweets, prayers, and family gatherings. Pronounced: Dee-VAH-lee

School District / Walter Lee Code of Conduct

This Code of conduct is used at Walter Lee and acound the district to help remind all of us of the expectations in all school district buildings as well as when participating in all school district events.

