

# The Lion's Roar



# Walter Lee Elementary

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

Monday, Dec 1 2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dec 1-5	Pro-d Day – No school	Staff vs student volleyball match @ 12 noon	Gr 5 Late French Immersion student presentation @ 12:55pm		
Dec 8-12			Candy Cane Fundraiser @ 11:50am	Hot lunch: Fusion Feast Pizza, Pasta and Curry	Hot chocolate at recess  PAC Family Skate Night at Minoru's Winter Wonderland 4:45-615pm:  admission and skate rentals paid for by PAC.  More info below

Message from the Principal

Save the date:

# **Keeping Kids Safe Online presentation for parents** January 13, 2026 @ 6pm



Keeping Kids Safe Online is a 60-minute interactive workshop designed to help parents, caregivers, and service providers to better understand how to help children stay safe online. This presentation is split into three sections: Online Exploitation overview, App Literacy – learning how to safely navigate today's most popular apps, and How to Talk About It- how to have these difficult conversations with your children/clients and what to discuss.

The meeting link will be shared in January.

# Winter Concert information



This year we have 2 events available for Lee lion parents and guardians to attend:

- o Winter Concert afternoon (unlimited seating): Thursday December 18 @ 1:15pm
- Winter Concert evening (limited seating): Thursday December 18 @ 6pm
- o Winter **Band** Concert: (unlimited seating): Friday December 19@ 9:30am

Please be reminded:

The evening performance has limit of 3 guests;

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Mr. A. Chan, Principal
Ms. M. Nasar, Area Superintendent Ms. D. Sargent, School Liaison Trustee

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- 2. There are NO limits of guests for the afternoon performance.
- 2. Students can come into the school at 5:55pm to prepare for their evening performance.
- 3. The school parking lot will be closed to ensure parking lot safety. Please inform the office if you require parking due to accessibility limitations.

## LFI (late french immersion)

Students from Whiteside elementary school will be visiting our school on Wednesday December 3 to talk to our current Grade 5 students about the Late French Immersion program beginning in Grade 6 at James Whiteside and John Diefenbaker Elementary Schools.

For families interested, we invite families of current Grade 5 students to join us for a virtual meeting about this program.

This information session will include the following topics:

- Program Overview
- Student Experiences
- Registration Process
- Frequently Asked Questions

Passcode: iH7eH3pd



Virtual on Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 229 724 015 019 1



Wednesday, December 3, 2025



6:00pm



Hosts: Brett Cameron, Kristine Canas, Linda Chau, Regina Vosahlo



## **PAC** information





Follow us for Lee Parent updates:



Hot Lunch and treat days:

\*\*Last Hot Lunch and treat days for the year!\*\*

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

**Friday, December 12th** - Hot chocolate at recess. **Cash only** and pre-orders done 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: <a href="https://munchalunch.com/schools/walterlee/">https://munchalunch.com/schools/walterlee/</a>

- 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 <a href="LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com">LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com</a>. Thank you to all of those who volunteer their time - we appreciate you!

### **PAC Meeting:**

Thank you to all who joined us this month for our PAC meeting! Please be sure to join us in January for our first meeting of 2026! We will meet on Wednesday, January 21st at 5:30PM in the Lee library to discuss all things PAC including fundraising and upcoming PAC events for 2026! Mr Chan will also be joining us to provide a school update. This meeting will be hybrid and if you are interested in joining virtually, please email us! If you would like to request an addition to our agenda, please email us - LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com

## **Important events and fundraisers:**

PAC Family Skate Night at Minoru's Winter Wonderland - Please join us as we celebrate the Winter season with a family skate night! The PAC is inviting Lee families to join in on the fun on Friday, December 12th, 4:45pm - 6:15pm at Minoru Arena. Admission and rentals are complimentary, courtesy of your PAC. Please note children must be supervised by an adult during this event; drop offs are not permitted. Hot chocolate and cookies will be sold during our event so bring your loonies!

<u>Pedalheads Promo Code</u> - The PAC has once again partnered with Pedalheads (Swim, Bike, Soccer and Trail) to offer all of our Lee families a \$25 discount on programs and camps all while fundraising for our school! With the code **WALTERL26**, you will automatically receive \$25 off your camp or program and that same amount will be kindly donated by Pedalheads to the Walter Lee PAC! As always, the funds raised through this and all of our other initiatives go towards important learning resources for your children including classroom technology, guest speakers and field trips!

How it works: Simply log onto www.<u>pedalheads.com</u>/british-columbia and click "Find a Program" to explore their variety of bike, soccer, swim and trail programs offered. Choose your program/camp and go to checkout. At the checkout screen, under "Payment Method" click on "Have a promo/coupon code?" and then enter **WALTERL26** to have \$25 automatically deducted from your total! Though this code **expires on June 30th, 2026**, you can register your children for camps in July and August using the code, you just have to register and apply the code before June 30th. The code is valid for <u>all Pedalheads programs in BC</u>.

<u>Fundscrip and Purdy's Chocolates</u> - Thank you to everyone who supported these fundraisers! Orders are now in and pick up will be Thursday, December 4th at dismissal. Details regarding pick up will be posted to our social media channels - the **Walter Lee PAC** 2025-2026 group on What'sApp and the **Walter Lee PAC**Facebook page (please see below on how to join these). If you cannot pick up your order on that date/time, please email <a href="mailto:leeelementarypac@gmail.com">leeelementarypac@gmail.com</a> to make other arrangements.

**Family Bowling Night** - Thank you to all who joined us for a fun night of bowling! From your support, we raised over \$200!

<u>Return-It Express</u> - Support your Walter Lee PAC by returning your refundable containers including <u>milk and plant based beverages</u> 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 <u>campaigns.mabelslabels.com</u> and search 'Walter Lee PAC' or

www.oliverslabels.com/WalterLeePAC

#### **Stay Connected!**

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#### Significant dates in our community

December 14–22, 2025 – Hanukkah (Jewish) To the Jewish students, staff, and families, we wish you a joyous Hanukkah filled with light, hope, and togetherness. As you light the menorah over eight nights, may this Festival of Lights bring warmth and happiness to your homes and hearts.

Translation note: Hanukkah (Hebrew: הְּנֵבֶּה†) means "dedication" and commemorates the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. Pronounced: KHAH-noo-kah or HAH-nuh-kah, depending on accent.

December 24, 2025 – Christmas Eve (Christian) Warm wishes to all who observe Christmas Eve. This evening is a time for reflection, anticipation, and gathering with loved ones. May your celebrations be filled with peace, kindness, and the spirit of giving.

Context note: For Christians, Christmas Eve marks the evening before the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

December 25, 2025 – Christmas Day (Christian) Merry Christmas to all who are celebrating! We send heartfelt wishes for a day of joy, hope, and connection. May this season bring warmth to your homes and remind us of the values of generosity, compassion, and peace.

Context note: For Christians, Christmas commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ.

#### 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.

