



The Lion's Roar

Walter Lee Elementary



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School Website: <https://lee.sd38.bc.ca/>

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

Monday, Feb 9 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Feb 9-13	Div 1-6 French Crepe workshop	Boys Gr 6/7 Basketball Home vs Kidd Girls Gr 6/7 Basketball Away @ Kidd	Hot Chocolate Fundraiser	Hot lunch-Fukuroku Girls Gr 6/7 Basketball Home vs Bridge Boys Gr 6/7 Basketball Away @ Bridge	Staff professional development day – NO SCHOOL
Feb 16-20	Family Day - NO SCHOOL	Div 1-4 fieldtrip to Space Centre 9am-2pm	Boys Gr 6/7 Basketball Away@ Kidd	Div 9 Fieldtrip to Richmond Children's festival	

Message from the Principal

Starting February 16th, our school will begin an **interior painting project**.

This project is expected to run for approximately 20 weeks. During this time, each division will need to relocate from their regular classroom for about one week while painting is completed in their area. We have developed a detailed plan to ensure that learning continues with minimal disruption. Temporary learning spaces have been arranged, and teachers will provide a smooth transition for students before, during, and after their relocation week.

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please feel free to contact the school office. We appreciate your cooperation and support as we work to improve our learning environment for all students.

Parent and Student Learning Survey 2025/2026

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

This winter, the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 4 and 7, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey>. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and

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secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the Results section.

The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025.

Volunteer Driver update: Safety Protocols

To ensure the safety for our students, all volunteer drivers are now required to complete a Criminal Record Check (CRC) before driving for field trips.

If you are volunteer driving for the first time this school year, please visit the office to:

1. Pick up the new Driver Authorization Form.
2. Get the Access Code to complete your free online CRC: [Information on our school website HERE](#)

Checklist for Drivers: Please ensure the office has copies of your:

- CRC Submission Confirmation
- Driver's License
- Vehicle Insurance
- Signed Authorization Form

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students safe!

PAC information



Hot Lunch:

Our upcoming lunches are:

Fukuroku Japanese - being served on Thursday, February 12th - order by TONIGHT FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH, 11:59PM!

Subway and Booster Juice - being served on Thursday, February 26th - order by FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 11:59PM

Premier Central Kitchen - being served on Thursday, March 12th - order by FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH, 11:59PM

Lunches and treats for the last term - ORDERING WILL OPEN DURING SPRING BREAK:

Fukuroku Japanese - Thursday, April 9th

The Country's Best Yogurt (and Sorbet!) - Friday, April 17th (at dismissal)

Fusion Feast Pizza, Pasta and Curry - Friday, April 23rd

Westcoast Poke - Thursday, May 9th

Premier Central Kitchen - Thursday, May 21st -

Fusion Feast Pizza, Pasta and Curry - Thursday, June 4th

Subway and Booster Juice - Sports Day lunch - Friday, June 12th

Just Poke - Thursday, June 18th

The Country's Best Yogurt (and Sorbet!) - Wednesday, June 24th (at dismissal)

*****Stay tuned for announcements about upcoming after school treat sales!*****

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

- LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com 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 an on-going success! Without our wonderful volunteers, hot lunch wouldn't happen! We are always looking for help to organize/pack orders and a time commitment of only 90 minutes is needed! If you would like to participate, please check the **“VOLUNTEER”** option in Munch-a-Lunch that is provided after placing your order, email the PAC team at LeeElementaryPAC@gmail.com or message us via WhatsApp!

PAC Meeting:

Our second meeting of 2026 will be on Wednesday, February 25th, 5:30PM, Lee library. Please join us for coffee and to get an update from Mr. Chan and the PAC! If you cannot join in person but want to participate, we will have a Teams link available the week of the meeting.

Important events and fundraisers:

Pedalheads Promo Code - 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.pedalheads.com/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 all Pedalheads programs in BC.

Above and Beyond Productions - The PAC is again collaborating with Above and Beyond Productions to offer mini family photo sessions in May! Stay tuned for details on bookings so you can capture family memories in a beautiful outdoor setting! This fundraiser will again be helping us fund important classroom wishlist items!

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!

Mabel's and Oliver's Labels - 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

Black History Month

Every February, people in Canada are invited to participate in Black History Month festivities and events that honour the legacy of Black Canadians and their communities. The 2026 theme for Black History Month is: **30 Years of Black History Month: Honouring Black Brilliance Across Generations — From Nation Builders to Tomorrow's Visionaries.**

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month.html>

February 15, 2026 – Maha Shivaratri (Hindu)

Warm wishes to members of the Hindu community observing Maha Shivaratri, the “Great Night of Lord Shiva.” — honouring the triumph of light over darkness and the power of spiritual renewal. May this observance bring peace, strength, and spiritual renewal. Translation note: Maha Shivaratri (महाशिवरात्रि) means “Great Night of Shiva.” Pronounced: MAH-ha SHIH-vah-rah-tree.

February 17, 2026 – Lunar New Year (Chinese, Taiwanese, Korean, Vietnamese, and several Southeast Asian communities)

Happy Lunar New Year to all who celebrate! As you welcome the Year of the Horse, may this time of renewal bring joy, connection, and hope to you and your families. Translation note: Known as Chūn Jié (春节) in Mandarin, Seollal (설날) in Korean, and Tết Nguyên Đán in Vietnamese. Pronounced: Choon-jyeh, Suhl-lahl, Tet Nguyen Dan.

February 17 (or February 18- ~March 18), 2026 – Beginning of Ramadhan (Islamic)

We extend our best wishes to the Muslim students, staff, and families as the holy month of Ramadhan begins. May this holy month of reflection, fasting, giving to charity and community continue to foster compassion, gratitude, and spiritual renewal for you and your loved ones. Translation note: Ramadhan (Arabic: رمضان, often spelled Ramadan) meaning “heat”, as the month originally was supposed to fall on the hottest months. Pronounced: RAH-mah-dhan or RAH-mah-zan.

February 18, 2026 – Ash Wednesday (Christian)

To the Christian students, staff, and families preparing for the Lenten season: we send warm greetings on Ash Wednesday, as this day marks a time of reflection, renewal, and preparation. May you find meaning in the season ahead as you journey toward Easter.

School District / Walter Lee Code of Conduct

This Code of conduct is used at Walter Lee and around 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.

HOW WE LEARN AND WORK TOGETHER

The Board of Education recognizes its obligation to provide all members of our school district community with a positive climate and a safe, healthy environment.

As we learn and work together, we will...

- 1 Show respect for the diversity of the members of our school and district community.
- 2 Behave in a safe, considerate and courteous manner.
- 3 Not threaten, harass, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within our school district community, through physical violence, print or electronic media.
- 4 Not be in possession of weapons, dangerous articles, alcohol or illegal drugs while in school or work.
- 5 Show respect and pride in our school district buildings and equipment through care and appropriate use of school district property.
- 6 Respect the non smoking environment of our schools and school district facilities.



Our expectations for how we learn and work together shall apply to everyone in our schools and at school functions.

The complete code of conduct is available online at sd38.bc.ca/codesofconduct

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