

• Friday, January 16, 2026

# Lakeview Elementary Weekly News



Dear Lakeview Community,

As our school year continues, we want to remind families about the importance of safe and considerate travel around the school. Parking and drop-off areas are especially tight—both on Mayfield Street, which is a narrow dead-end, and along Berkley Street below the lower playground. Whenever possible, please consider walking instead of driving.

To support smooth and safe drop-off and pick-up, please keep the following guidelines in mind:

**Safety First:** Follow all traffic rules and use only designated drop-off zones. Ensure children use crosswalks and sidewalks. The front drop-off loop is *drop-and-go only*. Please do not park, stop for extended periods, or exit your vehicle in this area.

**Mindful Parking:** Park considerately to avoid blocking traffic or creating unsafe conditions for pedestrians. The school parking lot is reserved for Burnaby School District staff—please do not use it for parking or drive-through access. Be mindful of our neighbours by keeping driveways clear at all times.

**Patience is Key:** We know these times can be busy. A little patience helps everyone start and end their day more calmly and safely.

**Kindness Matters:** A friendly wave or smile goes a long way. We appreciate everyone working together to keep our community welcoming and safe.

Thank you for helping us maintain a positive and safe environment for all.

Amelia Poitras  
Principal Lakeview Elementary

## Dates to note:

- Tues. Jan. 20 Grade 7s to Burnaby Central Course Selection
- Tues. Jan. 20 Boys Basketball Game
- Wed. Jan. 21 Primary Skipping Club 8:15
- Fri. Jan. 23 Literacy Week Kick off 1:00 pm
- Mon. Jan. 26 Pro-D Day (No School)
- January 26-30 Literacy Week
- Wed. Jan. 28 Division 3&4 Rockhounds Fieldtrip
- Fri. Jan. 30 Readathon

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In our Library this week, Intermediate students were introduced to the history of Japanese Canadian internment through partnership and support with the Nikkei Centre. In small groups, students examine selected artifact replicas, documents, and images, using guiding questions to make connections and understand the symbolic significance of these items. The lesson focused on building historical understanding, empathy, and inquiry skills within a short, interactive timeframe. Ask your child what artifact they studied, and what facts resonate with them.



- **establish:** to create or set up
- **inform:** to give information
- **vary:** to change or differ



## Literacy Week Events 2026 “Into the Wild with Words”

Tuesday, January 27 <sup>th</sup>	<p>Author Visit - Cathy Hussey</p> <p>1:00-1:45 Whole School Presentation</p> <p>1:50-2:50 Division 7,8,9 Writing Work in the library</p>
Wednesday, January 28 <sup>th</sup>	<p>Setting Walk and Write</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Classes have created different story settings on their bulletin boards for everyone to view. In the morning, each class will do a “setting walk” and in the afternoon, students will return to their favourite setting and complete a piece of writing inspired by it.</li> </ul> <p>Word Whiz Wednesday Activity at Recess</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Students will have to find a definition and word pair while playing outside - words are from the Word Whiz Wednesday announcement (Tier 2 Words) from the last 6 weeks.</li> </ul>
Thursday, January 29 <sup>th</sup>	<p>Library Story Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Buchanan will host classes throughout the day.</li> </ul> <p>Family/Guest Readers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Each classroom teacher has invited someone special to read to their class at some point during the day</li> </ul> <p>Shirts with Words Spirit Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Students and staff are encouraged to wear shirts with words on them.</li> </ul> <p>Outdoor Story Walk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A story walk will be posted outside for classes to view.</li> </ul>
Friday, January 30	<p>Library Story Workshop continues</p> <p>Lunch Hour Scavenger Hunt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outdoor scavenger hunt featuring Indigenous animals; students collect clues to create a word in hul’q’umi’num’</li> </ul> <p>Readathon and Pajama Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Students will be reading for approximately 45 minutes. ALL Lakeview Parents and Families are invited to join us. Students will be given a pledge form to fundraise for literacy initiatives. Students are encouraged to collect pledge donations from their family, friends and relatives.</li> <li>- There will be Family Prizes DRAWN for Families who hand in their pledges and each class that participates will be entered into a draw for a Pizza party sponsored by <b>Johnny’s on Oak</b>. Most importantly, we are celebrating our appreciation and love of reading together as a community.</li> <li>- When: Friday Jan 30, 2026 Where: Lakeview Elementary School Gym <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:15-9:50 – Division 9 (Chatt)&amp; Division 10 (Mah)</li> <li>9:55-10:30 – Division 11 (Ng) &amp; Divisions 12 (Knapp)</li> <li>10:55-11:30 – Division 5 (Ross) &amp; Division 6 (Mastromonaco)</li> <li>11:35-12:10 – Division 7 (Sinclair) &amp; Division 8 (Patterson)</li> <li>1:10-1:45 – Division 3 (Chung) &amp; Division 4 (Suh)</li> <li>1:50-2:20 – Division 1 (Mott) &amp; Division 2 (Sihota)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



