



# WEEKLY DRAGON TALES

September 6, 2024

Living the Langdon LAIR life

Hello Langdon school families,

What a fabulous first week we had at Langdon School! The staggered entry helped teachers get to know their students a little better and ease some of the anxieties some may have coming to school. Especially if they are new to a building. Quoting one student, "this was most funnest school day ever!"☺ Students are doing an amazing job with expected behaviours. They are polite and kind, they are keeping their classrooms tidy, they are playing well together outside, and they are following the new personal device procedures. Way to go Dragons!

We were very happy to welcome Mrs. Allison to the grade 1-2 class. She is new to Langdon School and literally came into the building Monday an hour before the students! We will have another teacher joining our staff on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Long will be teaching some of the grade 6 classes and working as a learning support teacher.

Options classes will begin on Monday for the grade 6, 7 and 8 classes. Students may see changes from what they chose in the Spring for a couple reasons. One is that some mistakenly chose music instead of band which significantly changed our numbers of students and available blocks. Also, options depend on staff who are able to teach them, and some staff were hired as recently as this week. It also takes time entering schedules into PowerSchool as it is done student by student. Homeroom teachers will have a list, so students will know where they are going. Students will not be able to make any changes unless there is an error. Thank you for your patience as we navigate this "jigsaw puzzle" of a timetable.

We are excited to get the sports seasons underway starting next week. If a parent/guardian is interested in coaching or assisting, please reach out to Susanne Moskal. The expectations for students in sport are the same as in the classroom. LAIR behaviours are an essential part of being a Dragon whether home or away.

- We are looking for grade 6 students to join the co-ed Langdon Dragon Soccer Team - please sign up outside the gym. Practices TBA. Tournament on Friday September 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Coach Proll!
- Any grade 7 & 8 girls interested in playing volleyball are welcome to come tryouts for the Jr. A Volleyball Team on Thursday September 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 8:00 am and Tuesday September

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## Coming up:

**September 12** – Picture Day (It's early this year!)

**September 13<sup>th</sup>** – Welcome Back breakfast 8:30-10:30 (more details to come)

**September 18<sup>th</sup>**, 9:00am - School (Parent) Council, all welcome

**September 20<sup>th</sup>** – Terry Fox Run

**September 27<sup>th</sup>** – School Orange Shirt Day

**September 30<sup>th</sup>** – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, no school

17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. Thank you to Mr. Jason Haag, our community coach for joining the Langdon Dragons!

If you happen to have any sports equipment you are no longer using, such as soccer balls, volleyballs, and basketballs, we would be happy to take them off your hands. We loan things out during recess but there never seems to be enough. After a while, they are either too damaged or magically disappear.

If you have done the Parent Volunteer Orientation with Ms. Storey, you do not have to do it this school year. You will need to re-do it September 2025. If you are new to our school and would like to volunteer, you will need to attend a session and dates will be shared next week. All parent/guardian volunteers must have an updated criminal record check and fill out the necessary Rocky View forms. Please see Mrs. Pagsanhan in the office for the forms.

We have made some changes to our lunch/recess this year. Our morning break is 15 minutes and all grade 1-6 students go outside. Grade 7 and 8 stay in and can hang out in their hallway. The expectation is they get what they need from their locker, go to washroom/get a drink, have a snack and return to class at the bell. Lunch/recess all students eat at the same time this year and go outside at the same time. Our playground is meant for children up to age 12 which means grades 1-6 are permitted to use it. If it gets too congested we will do a schedule. We have 5-6 supervisors outside every wearing reflective orange vests. Students are taught and reminded to go to them for assistance if need be. Grade 7 and 8 students can go off-campus IF the authorization form on states they can do so.

There will be times when we share information to help out the Langdon Community Association. Please see the attached poster for a Langdon Community Association movie night on September 21!

Stay tuned for more information about the Toonies for Tickets for Terry (Terry Fox Run) on the 20<sup>th</sup>. We are requesting parent volunteers so if you're available that morning please let the office know!

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