

Upper Lynn e-News

May 12, 2024

Important Dates & Reminders for the Week of May 13 to May 17, 2024

Monday 13	Tuesday 14	Wednesday 15	Thursday 16	Friday 17
<p>Hot Lunch Cobs / TCBY</p> <p>Hub Bike Grade 4 & 5 (5/6)</p>	<p>Track Qualifications Sutherland; 8:00-11:30</p>	<p>Kindergarten Orientation</p>	<p>Hub Bike Grade 4 & 5 (5/6) Bring Bikes</p> <p>Field Qualifications Lynn Valley</p>	<p>Hot Lunch Foodie Kids</p>

Upcoming Dates

- Monday May 13 – Hot Lunch – Cobs / TCBY
- Monday May 13 – HUB Bike Program – Grade 4-5 (5/6) – In the Class
- Tuesday May 14 – Zone 5 Track Qualifications: Sutherland; 8am-11:30pm
- Wednesday May 15 – Kindergarten Orientation
- Thursday May 16 – HUB Bike Program – Grade 4-5 (5/6) – On the Field
- Thursday May 16 – Zone 5 Field Qualifications; Lynn Valley
- Friday May 17 – Hot Lunch – Foodie Kids
- Monday May 20 – Victoria Day – **School is Closed**
- Wednesday May 22 to 24 – Scholastic Book Fair
- Thursday May 22 – Water Wise Presentations
- Friday May 24 – Hot Lunch – Subway
- Friday May 24 – Tour of Asia
- Monday May 27 – Primary Days of Music Begins
- Monday May 27 Hot Lunch – Well Fed
- Monday May 27 – Uzume Taiko Drumming: 1:00
- Tuesday May 28 – Safer Space Presentation; Grade 6
- Wednesday May 29 – Immunizations
- Friday May 31 - Hot Lunch – Magic Lunch Box

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Fun Day

May 31st is Fun Day! This year's theme is "Blast from The Past". Students are encouraged to dress in a retro outfit for the day. Students must remember they will be participating in many physical activities and their outfit should not restrict their movements.

Walk and Roll to School

We're thrilled to announce that we're hosting the Roll and Walk to School event again this year from June 3rd to 7th. Our school has joined HUB's Bike to School event, and we're excited to participate!

It's the perfect time to dust off your bikes, ensure they're in good working order, and check that helmets still fit properly. The excitement is building for the Roll and Walk to School event! There will be spot prizes up for grabs, and the division with the highest participation rate will win a delicious prize to enjoy together!

Parents and teachers can now access the [Learn2Ride Online course](#), designed to teach children aged 9-12 basic cycling safety. Adapted from HUB Cycling's successful in-school program, this web-based resource offers interactive content, including games like Spot the Differences and Memory Game for road signs. It's perfect for at-home or in-school learning and caters to Grade 4-7 students and beginner riders. Parents can register their child for free access, while teachers can enroll entire classes. Start cycling safely today!

Lost and Found

Our lost and found collection has expanded significantly, and while we're eager for these items to be reunited with their owners, many have remained unclaimed for months despite multiple displays. To manage the growing inventory, we will be donating these items at the week's end due to limited storage space. For a visual reference, please visit our [school's webpage](#). Thank you for your understanding.

2024-2025 Class Placement

For those parents/guardians who feel the strong need to provide additional information describing learning style and/or emotional and social needs of your child: please complete the Placement Form **ONLY** if you have information that the current teacher and/or principal do not have and should consider when placing your child. An accompanying letter is not necessary and will not be accepted. Please email the placement form to Mr. MacLeod at tmacleod@sd44.ca **no later than May 29th, 2024**. Please visit the following link to find out more information: <https://bit.ly/3yoHqLK>.

PAC News

Hi everyone,

Please consider this your four weeks notice :)

In order for the PAC to continue for 2024-2025, on Tuesday June 11th, a new PAC chair/co-chair needs to be voted in to the ULE PAC

If there is no PAC, there is no Hot Lunch, no afterschool programs, no holiday photos, no ULE Wolf Pack hockey games, no ULE Canadians games, no Parent Social, no extra funding for teachers or field trips, no extracurricular events, no movie nights, no Spirit Wear, no Orange shirts or Pink Shirts, and no Carnival.

The reality of affording to live in Upper Lynn Valley means everyone is busy and the few stay-at-home parents who still exist are chasing very little people around - we all vaguely remember existing on zero sleep. The current PAC is made up of executives, business owners, accountants, lawyers, health-care workers, dual income families, single income families, single parents, and parents completing further education. Every parent on the PAC is already busy but it is a strong and lovely group of humans who will support you in this role (and drink and eat treats at the 4 or 5 meetings a year).

Many of the roles of the PAC CHAIR/CO-CHAIR can be delegated to others and there is space to creatively make it fit your schedule and skill set. This is a good time to add extra faces to the PAC exec and lighten the load for everyone. There is also space for a new communications person, DPAC rep, and co-treasurer.

If you are interested or know someone who you think would be good, please send Emma Milley an email at upperlynnpac@gmail.com.

I have genuinely enjoyed being PAC Chair, but need to step down due to further education and job commitments in September.

(And to be clear, this message is not meant to guilt anyone into taking on this role (except maybe dads... a little bit... you are not well represented in this era of equal opportunity and all that jazz. Come share the mental load with your co-parents :)). We are all busy, this is everyone's community, and this should be something we want, not feel like we must do. If no-one is able to take over for September, then life will continue without the ULE PAC... and all our kids will have less classroom supplies, athletic equipment, and frozen yogurt, but will probably be fine ;)).

Baseball: Sunday June 2nd

June 2nd ULE @ the Canadians Baseball Game

Get your tickets: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/0602-ULES>

Reminders

Asian History Month

Upper Lynn is celebrating 'Asian Heritage Month' throughout May with a variety of activities, events and workshops. We are looking for parent volunteers to help teachers with art and crafts projects (e.g. Origami), and for the Multi-purpose room set up on May 24 (e.g. tables and floor mats).

Also, if you know how to play chess or mah-jong — fold origami — practice calligraphy — work an abacus — conduct tea ceremonies — dance bhangra — exercise tai chi/yoga/martial arts — drape a sari — create with henna — please consider joining *and teaching* us on May 24, 2024.

Please email: dbaltruschat@sd44.ca or kchambers@sd44.ca

The Book Fair is Coming!!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to Upper Lynn on Wednesday, May 22 – Friday, May 24. The Book Fair will be open at lunch recess for selected grades and after school until 4 pm.

Wednesday Lunch: Kindergarten, Grade 1, Grade 2
Thursday Lunch: Grades 2, 3, and 4
Friday Lunch: Grade 5, 6, and 7

School Entry

This is a friendly reminder that students are not permitted in the school before the first bell due to limited supervision. However, students involved in band, choir, or those with other arrangements with the school staff can enter the building before 8:15. Please avoid dropping off your child early, as we cannot ensure proper supervision. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Track and Field

The track and field season is up and running. Please see our webpage for the practice schedule. Here are some important dates for you to be aware of. More for information please see our athletics webpage.

Tuesday, May 14th – Track Qualification Meet @ Sutherland 8:00am-11:30am

Thursday, May 16th – Field Qualifications Meet @ Lynn Valley 3:30-5:15pm
Tuesday, June 4th – Track Finals @ Swangard 8:15 – 3:00pm

Tim MacLeod
Principal

Lise Grendel
Vice-Principal