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**EARLY WARNING LINE
FOR ABSENCES**

604-668-6192

Maple Lane WAAG - Feb. 23 - 27

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday	Author Visit - Meg and Greg Books (Div. 6, 7, 8, 9) Green Team Meeting (11:50) Boys Team Basketball Game - HOME vs. Blundell
Tuesday	Basketball Practice - all players (8am) Crochet Club (11:50) Open Team Basketball Game - HOME vs. Steves
Wednesday	Pink Shirt Day Assembly (9:15am) Basketball Practice - Boys Team (11:50) Boys Team Basketball Game - HOME vs. McKinney
Thursday	Lights Free/Litter Free Lunch Crochet Club (11:50) PAC Meeting 6:00 (in Library w/ online option)
Friday	Basketball Practice - Open Team (11:50)

March 3 - Uzume Taiko Drumming Performance

March 3 - SLSS Basketball Jamboree

March 6 - Hot Lunch

March 13 - Hot Lunch; Last Day Before Spring Break



Pink Shirt Day

Wednesday, February 25 is Pink Shirt Day. Pink Shirt Day began in 2007 when a student in Nova Scotia was bullied for wearing a pink shirt to school. It has since been recognized worldwide as a day to stand up against bullying. On February 25, we will be having a school assembly and we are hoping to have all Maple Lane staff and students wear pink to school. This year's theme is "Sprinkle Kindness." Students will work collectively to create a bulletin board display presenting the ways we can show kindness to each other. [Click here to learn more about Pink Shirt Day.](#)

BLACK HISTORY MONTH: PROMINENT BLACK CANADIANS



Black History Month

As part of Black History Month, prominent Black Canadians have been highlighted on our Equity, Diversity and Inclusion bulletin board and during our morning announcements. Maple Lane Students can visit the Maple Lane library to find books about some of these Canadians.

To learn more about Black History Month, please click on these links from CBC Kids News:

Black History Month: [click here](#)

Black Futures: [click here](#) (scroll down for the video)

SPOTLIGHT ON SARAH NURSE

Sarah Nurse is the first Black woman to play hockey for Canada at the Olympic Winter Games. She did that in her debut at PyeongChang 2018. Four years later, she became the first Black woman to win gold in hockey at the Beijing 2022 Olympic Games. She was instrumental in Canada's victory, breaking the points record for a single Olympic tournament, recording five goals and 13 assists. In the gold medal game against the United States, Nurse scored the opening goal and assisted on the eventual game winner. Her status in the sport was recognized later in 2022 when she was revealed as the first woman to appear on the cover of EA Sports NHL video game franchise.

 @nursey16

Read more about Black athletes who made Olympic sport history for Canada [here](#).



SPOTLIGHT on HARRY JEROME



Did you know?

Harry Jerome taught Science and Math at Richmond Secondary School.



Harry Jerome was born in September, 1940 and moved to the Vancouver area in 1951. At the age of 19, he became the first native Canadian to hold, officially, a world track record. He won the bronze medal in 1964 at the Tokyo Games when he finished the 100m dash in 10.25 seconds. At the time of this accomplishment, he was employed as a teacher at Richmond High. In his track and field career, he was in eight international competitions, representing Canada in three Olympics. He set seven world records, and was named British Columbia's Athlete of the Century in 1971. All of these

accomplishments came during a time, when it was very difficult to be Black in Canada. After his retirement from sport, Harry Jerome went on to promote amateur and youth sport through national and provincial programs. Furthermore, Harry Jerome advocated for better funding support for Canadian athletes, and for greater representation of athletes of colour in Canadian media. Throughout his life, he was the recipient of numerous honours and awards, including the Order of Canada. Harry Jerome passed away at the young age of 42, in December, 1982. — *The Canadian Encyclopedia* [Here](#) is a more detailed and intimate biography of Harry Jerome written by his sister Valerie Jerome.

Lunar New Year - Chinese Zodiac

According to the Chinese calendar, the year you were born might determine your personality. That's because each year is represented by an animal, called a Chinese zodiac sign, and legend has it that people born under that sign have similar traits to the animal. The year 2026—starting February 17—is the Year of the Fire Horse. (Excerpt from National Geographic Kids) [Click here](#) to learn more.



Lights and Litter Free Lunch

The Green Team is organizing lights and litter free lunches. They will be visiting each class to teach students about the environmental benefits of using less energy and reducing the litter we create. Please support this campaign by helping your child pack their lunch in reusable packages.



Workshop Description

This 1-hour interactive session explores how anxiety and big emotions impact the brain, body, and behaviours. Participants will gain practical tools for supporting both child and parent well-being, using the Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT) ACCEPTS Model—a set of six coping skills: Activities, Contributing, Comparisons, Emotions, Pushing Away, Thoughts, and Sensations. Designed for both parents and teachers, this workshop provides actionable strategies to navigate anxiety and emotional challenges effectively. Followed by a Q&A.

Free Virtual Workshop: *Navigating Big Emotions: Kind Minds for Parents and Caregivers*

Did you miss the *Navigating Big Emotions: Kind Minds for Parents and Caregivers* workshop during Kind Mind Month, or would you like to join a second time? The Kelty Foundation is excited to offer four additional virtual workshop dates: March 5, April 8, May 5 and June 9

- **Who:** All caregivers and educators who participated in **Kind Mind Month** during the 2025-26 school year.
- **What:** The same engaging workshop offered during Kind Mind Month in a virtual format led by Sheldon Franken.
- **Register Here:** <https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/navigating-big-emotions-kind-minds-for-parents-and-caregivers-workshop>
- **Questions?** The team at **The Kelty Foundation** is here to help! Please email contact@thekeltyfoundation.org.

Scholastic Book Fairs



Thank You!

Our **Scholastic Book Fair** was a success! Thank you to all families, staff, and students who participated, supporting our school while enhancing home libraries.

Your investment in your reader helped our school to earn valuable **Rewards** that can be redeemed for new books for our school and classroom libraries, as well as supplies and Education Resources to benefit our students.

We can't wait to hear all about the new stories you have added to your home libraries!

Thank you for participating in our
Scholastic Book Fair!

Happy reading!

Mrs. Sandhu
Teacher-Librarian |

THE MAPLE LANE PAC PROUDLY PRESENTS

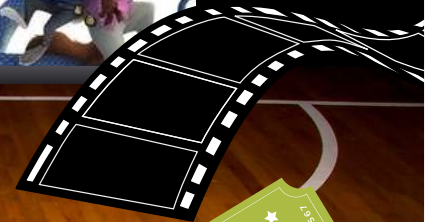
MOVIE



RSVP



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RSVP/VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP AT: <https://qrco.de/bgdpUp>



★ PLEASE NOTE, THIS IS NOT A SUPERVISED EVENT - A PARENT/CAREGIVER MUST ATTEND ★

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PAC News

The Maple Lane PAC is always looking for more participants. You can find out more through the school website: <https://maplelane.sd38.bc.ca/parents> or by attending a future PAC meeting.

Next PAC Meeting: Thursday, February 26, 2026, 6-7 pm. This meeting will be in person in the library. An online option will be available. All Maple Lane parents are members of the PAC and are welcome to attend meetings. We hope to see many parents there.



Updated Website

Have a look at our updated website: <https://maplelane.sd38.bc.ca/>. You can choose your preferred language on the homepage and it will translate attached documents such as this newsletter for you!

