

Parent/Guardian News – March 2026

CARNIVAL UPDATE

Due to the bad weather announcement for Wednesday March 11, we were able to move Carnival Day to Thursday March 19, 2026. ALL CARNIVAL ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE PLACE ON MARCH 19, INCLUDING SKIING, TUBING, BOULZEYE AND IN-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

Wednesday will be a regular school day as a result of the change in date. It will be Day 3.

ONGOING REGISTRATION

We are currently accepting registrations for the 2026-2027 school year. Please spread the word to your friends in the community to register at our school using the link below if they haven't yet completed the registration for their child. We ask that these registrations are completed by March 13, 2026.

https://apps.emsb.qc.ca/SAF_LBP/Main/Index.aspx#!/login

CELL PHONE BAN REMINDER

A reminder to all students that cell phone and electronic devices are prohibited on school grounds. Please refer to the policy in the code of conduct. Immediate suspension will be issued when students are caught using the devices on school grounds.

1. March 9th -13th: - Sugar Shack Week

We have a special Sugar Shack week planned for students this week, which includes Maple Taffy for students and a Sugar Shack lunch on Friday served by the cafeteria (first come first served).

2. March 9th -13th: - Sec. 5 Spirit Week

Monday: Jersey Day (with school pants)

Tuesday: Dress as your Favorite Decade

Wednesday: Carnival Day

Thursday: Anything but a Backpack

Friday: Non-uniform day for Sec 5s

3. March 11th: REGULAR SCHOOL DAY- CARNIVAL MOVED TO MARCH 19.

4. March 13th – Pearson Pride: Spirit Wear Day!

Students are encouraged to wear the LBP spirit wear today. These include their school hoodies, t-shirts, club t-shirts and hoodies. **Phys. Ed uniforms are not considered spirit wear.** Uniform pants must be worn.

5. March 16th – 20th: Scholastics Book Fair

We're thrilled to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair is returning to Lester B. Pearson this March! We as a school team value the power of literacy and would like to provide all students access to new stories, exciting adventures and new authors to love. This year, Secondary 1-2 students will have scheduled visits with their ELA classes during the month of March. Secondary 3, 4, and 5 students—as well as our junior grades—will also have the chance to browse and shop during lunchtime.

6. March 16th: Governing Board

Our monthly Governing Board meeting is cancelled this month.

7. March 16th: MADD Presentation for Secondary 5 Students

Our secondary 5 students will be invited to a presentation by MADD. MADD Canada's School Program is an on-screen fictional re-enactment of the trauma that can result when someone makes the choice to take drugs or alcohol and get behind the wheel. The presentation also includes interviews with people who have been injured and/or lost a loved one(s) as a result of impaired driving. Innocent people are injured and killed every day. Friends and family will forever feel the pain of losing a loved one.

8. March 17th – St. Patrick's Day School Celebrations

Luck of the Irish Breakfast club will be raffling off a box of Lucky Charms every morning during the first week of March.

Lucky Irish Craft on Monday March 17th Student Council will be offering a lunch time craft activity in the Plaza.

Add the Colour of the shamrock Students may add a green accessory to their uniform on March 17, at no expense.

9. March 17th-18th– Shakespeare Play Presentation (Sec. 1 & 2)

Students in secondary 1 and 2 students will be treated to *Shakespeare's "A Comedy of Errors"* play today during period 2 & 3 in the auditorium at school.

Synopsis:

We came into the world like brother and brother 2 sets of twins in the same town, not knowing that the other set is there. What can go wrong?? In the 80's musical "The Comedy of Errors"...plenty!! The Comedy of Errors is a fast-paced, hilarious play by William Shakespeare about two sets of identical twins who were separated at birth. When they all end up in the same city without knowing it, chaos and confusion take over—mistaken identities, wrongful arrests, and comic mishaps abound. It's a fun tale of mix-ups, misunderstandings, and ultimately, a joyful reunion. Perfect for audiences of all ages. There will be lots of singing and dancing and audience participation!

10. March 17th - 25th– Breakfast of Excellence

Our students on the Honor Roll for term 2 as well as our students who received Diligence recognition will be invited to a Breakfast of Excellence! Invitations will be sent by email to those families shortly.

11. March 19th– REVISED CARNIVAL DAY

12. March 20th – Pearson Pride: Spirit Wear Day!

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13. March 23rd – Pedagogical Day!

No classes for students.

14. March 23rd – YMCA Babysitting Course

LBP will be hosting a babysitting course offered by the Red Cross from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for students from secondary 1-5. The course information and details were distributed to interested students.

15. March 24th: Sugar Shack Outing for Secondary 5

Our Student Council is planning a special secondary 5 trip to attend a cabane à sucre dinner in collaboration with LBP's Administration. This activity is being offered to students at a reduced cost of \$20. The school is absorbing the remaining costs in the continued initiative to help our sec. 5 students have a memorable school year with activities, they show interest in. The buses leave LBP at 3:00 p.m. and return to school for approximately 7:00 p.m. No refund for no shows.

16. March 25th: Play Presentation for Secondary 4 & 5

Students in secondary 4 and 5 students will be treated to *Geordie Production - 1984 2061* play today during period 1 & 2 in the auditorium at school.

Synopsis:

In the gleaming, corporate-controlled superstate of the Free West, where the skies are clear and the streets are surveilled, Winston Smith knows something isn't right. The war is over. Peace has been

declared. But the truth? It's been buried, rewritten, or deleted entirely. When Winston meets Julia, a bold, sharp-witted colleague, the two begin a dangerous journey through forbidden love, underground resistance, and the fractured memories of a world that once was. Together, they challenge a system powered by AI surveillance, media manipulation, and emotional control—risking everything to reclaim the freedom to think, to feel, and to love. **2061** is a darkly funny, gripping reimagining of Orwell's classic that feels chillingly close to home. Set in a tech-saturated future shaped by climate collapse and government-controlled information, this play asks urgent questions about truth, autonomy, and the cost of comfort in a screen-bound world.

17. March 27th – Pearson Pride: Spirit Wear Day!

Students are encouraged to wear the LBP spirit wear today. These include their school hoodies, t-shirts, club t-shirts and hoodies. **Phys. Ed uniforms are not considered spirit wear.** Uniform pants must be worn.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Outstanding School Fees:

A reminder to parents and guardians who have not yet paid school fees, please do so asap. You should have access to your Mozaik statements online for outstanding fees.

Student Council News:

Agenda Cover Contest Student Council is organizing a design contest for the cover of the 2026–2027 agenda. Use your brushes, pencils, or electronic tablets to unleash your creativity. The winner will receive an LBP Merch Package that includes an LBP hoodie and T-shirt. Email all submissions to pkarpontinis@emsb.qc.ca by April 2.

Lunch Activities Expansion We are expanding our lunchtime activity program to three days a week. Activities will now take place every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the Plaza.

Seedling Committee Student Council members will begin their greenhouse garden on March 10th with fruit and vegetable seedlings on sale close to the Victoria Day weekend in May.

School Nurse Services

A reminder that the school nurse, Ms. Di Matteo is available to students from Tuesday-Fridays at LBP outside the vaccination periods of the school year. Students are encouraged to see her if they have any health-related questions or concerns.

Community Relationships

We are asking for your cooperation in having a conversation with your child if they leave school grounds at lunch time or hang out at some of the local restaurants after school including McDonald's in RDP. It is important that the school maintains a good relationship with the residents and businesses in the area. To this end, students are required to treat people in the community with respect. We have received some feedback regarding some messes being left in these businesses from our students.

Save the Dates- Secondary 5

High School Leaving Ceremony:

Following our Save the Date announcement, we are pleased to share additional information regarding the upcoming Secondary V Leaving Ceremony, which will take place on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Place des Arts - Théâtre Maisonneuve.

Below is the tentative schedule for the day. Please note that this schedule is subject to change as we continue coordinating with the venue.

Tentative Schedule

10:00 a.m. – Arrival of graduates

1:30 p.m. – Lunch break

2:30 p.m. – Doors open

3:30 p.m. – Ceremony begins (Approximate end time 6:30 p.m.)

All other details will be shared in the coming weeks.

We look forward to celebrating this special milestone with our graduating students and their families.

Prom: June 25, 2026. (Club de Golf Metropolitain 9555 Bd du Golf, Anjou, QC H1J 2Y2) More details to follow.

Thank you for your cooperation,

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Principal

Ms. Fanelli
Vice Principal (L1/2)

Ms. Tummillo
Vice Principal (L3/4)

Ms. Pizzichemi
Interim Vice Principal (L5)