



# DR. A.R. LORD NEWS

**Code of Conduct**  
“Create Peace: Be Kind, Be Safe,  
Be Respectful, Be Responsible”



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### School Hours:

8:55 am – Warning Bell  
9:00 am – School Starts  
10:40 – 11:00 am -Recess  
12:10 – 12:57 pm – Lunch  
Break  
3:00 pm – End of School Day

### School Mission Statement

Our mission at Dr. A.R. Lord School is to develop a safe and positive school environment with creative and challenging learning experiences for all students to achieve their potential.

In order to help us attain this positive school environment, we constantly review and practice our school code of conduct. Expectations are that everyone in our school abides by our code.



### Principal’s Message

February was an action-packed month.

Thank you to all the families that attended our Talent Show. I was truly impressed by all the talented students at Lord. It takes courage to perform in front of family and friends, so I applaud all of you for sharing your talents with us. A big thank you to the students from Div. 1 that assisted with set up, audio visual support and announcing. Once again thank you to Mrs. Burke and Mrs. O’Neill for volunteering their time.

We turned Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) week into a month long event. Throughout the month of February we discussed and participated in activities centered on the 12 Concepts of Kindness and Acceptance. These messages are embedded in our everyday activities but they are highlighted this month. We ended off the month with our Pink Shirt/ Acceptance/Anti-Bullying Day Assembly. Thank you to everyone that wore pink. Many classes celebrated their learning by sharing their projects. Students performed songs, skits, and read poems that they wrote. Thanks to Ms. Young-Eng, for leading all the students and staff in the Waka Waka dance. The students at Lord are a great group that continue to be respectful and kind to those around them.

If you are interested in providing feedback about the Communicating Student Learning pilot reports there will be an opportunity for online feedback after Spring Break.

This is an **important reminder** to families that there is **no parking or stopping** in front of the school on Lillooet Street during school hours. Please be respectful of all traffic signs. Unfortunately, there are traffic officers in the area and a ticket may be issued.

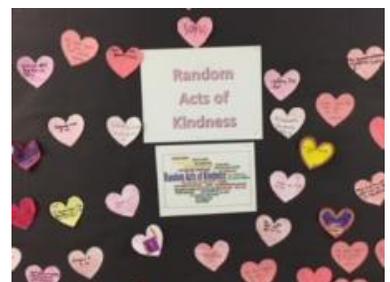
I know it is hard to believe but we are already planning for September 2018. In order to plan for September, we need to know whether your child/children will be returning to Dr. A. R. Lord for the next school year. If you have not already filled out and returned the blue “Are you Moving” form to your child’s classroom teacher, please do so as soon as possible. Extra forms are in the office. Please note that students who are returning are automatically registered for next year.

Please check out our section on Important Dates and Events at the end of the newsletter. Please take note of parent/teachers conferences, early dismissal, group/class photos and PAC lunches.

As always, a huge thank you to the PAC and all our parent volunteers for all the time they devote to supporting the students and staff at AR Lord.

I hope everyone has a great Spring Break!!

Margie Trovao  
Principal



Lunar New Year at Hastings Community Centre



Sunday, March 11- Don’t forget to change your clocks.

### Talent Show

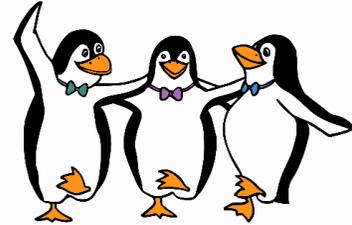
A huge CONGRATUALATIONS to all the students who participated in Dr. A.R. Lord's annual Valentine's Day Talent Show! A very appreciative audience of students, staff and families were treated to a wide variety of talent and the loud clapping reflected how much we all enjoyed the show. The acts ranged from singing, dancing, and instrumental performances to magic tricks, and demonstrations of skills like taekwondo, karate, light sabre and skipping. We collected over 3 boxes of food and \$80.00 for the Vancouver Food Bank. A big thank you to everyone who helped put on the Talent Show, especially the AV crew who went above and beyond to make sure everyone sounded great and had all their props.

Mrs. Burke and Mrs. O'Neill



### Chance to Dance Education

On March 1 and March 8 students in K-2 will be participating in dance workshops lead by Anne-Michelle Hiebert, a children's dance education specialist. Students will be engaging creativity through imaginary themes, nurturing self-trust and confidence, building flexibility, coordination and balance as well as developing musicality and self-expression. Please ensure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing to participate in this event.



### Ready, Set, Learn



Ready, Set, Learn is a FREE event for families and caregivers of children 3-5 years old. Meet local school staff and community service organizations to learn about health, safety, child care and educational resources. There will be complimentary snacks and drinks, a physical literacy area for children and circle time fun with StrongStart. Please join us!

**Thursday April 12, 2018  
10:00 am — 11:30 am  
Hastings Community  
Center Gym  
3096 East Hastings Street**



### Basketball

Congratulations to Griffin, Tommy, Yonatan, Skylar, Mark, Callahan, Louis, Andrew, Jagger, Sabin and Jack for participating on the Senior Boys basketball team. They came to early morning practices and after school games, always working hard and having fun. Thank you to Mrs. O'Neill and Aman for coaching. Coach Aman has volunteered to continue practicing with the boys throughout the remainder of the year.

### Safe Arrival

Thank you to all the families that have been following the new procedures for reporting absences and signing students in and out. Student safety is always a top priority.

Starting Monday, March 5 students that arrive late to school must report to the office before attending class. In addition, if you are aware that your child will be away (appointment, trip etc.) please inform the office and not the classroom teacher.

If your child will be absent from school, please phone the school to report this absence as early as possible or prior to 9am on day of absence. Parents should leave a message on a dedicated answering service by calling **604-713-5159**. This will prompt you to enter our school's 2-digit extension number which is **#47**. School offices are busy places: consistently notifying the school in advance of your child's absence will significantly improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Safe Arrival Morning Routine.

Please keep this information posted in an easy, accessible area.



### **Dr. A. R. Lord staff and PAC would like to present another book exchange!**

We would like to invite students to bring in any old books (good condition) they have outgrown to exchange for a few 'new' books to enjoy over the summer holiday. Books should be for children in Kindergarten to Grade 7. Collection boxes will be available outside of each classroom each morning from Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> to March 13<sup>th</sup> where students can drop off their books before the start of the school day.

On March 15<sup>th</sup> all students (regardless of whether they were able to donate a book or not) will be invited to the book exchange where they will be allowed to choose at least one 'new' book for free.

**Celebration of Learning**

**I AM THE BULLIED.**

I wonder if it will ever stop,  
I hear them laughing as I walk by,  
I see them point and stare,  
I want it to end,  
I am the bullied.

I pretend that I'm okay,  
I feel shattered when they are mean,  
I touch my broken heart when they hurt me,  
I worry they will hit me again,  
I cry myself to sleep,  
I am the bullied.

I understand they are hurt themselves,  
I say stop but they never do,  
I dream of having friends,  
I try to hide but I can't,  
I hope they won't do it again,  
I am the bullied.

Written by Sam Plant



**I AM THE BULLY.**

I wonder if I can stop, but I'm never able to,  
I hear silence when I walk by,  
I see people hide when I come near,  
I want to stop,  
I am the bully.

I pretend that I'm not alone,  
I feel like I will never change,  
I touch my heart to get the courage to stop,  
I worry what others think of me,  
I cry when I'm alone,  
I am the bully.

I understand I'm doing the wrong thing,  
I say I enjoy it. I'm lying.  
I dream that I'm not a bully,  
I try making others cry,  
I hope I don't get caught,  
I am the bully.

Written by Claire Mackie

**I AM THE BYSTANDER.**

I wonder if I can help,  
I hear people crying,  
I see people getting bullied,  
I want to stop them but I am too scared,  
I am the bystander.

I pretend I don't hear anything,  
I feel angry when someone is bullied,  
I touch my heart to try to get the courage,  
I worry that I could get hurt,  
I cry when I see people getting bullied,  
I am the bystander.

I understand the pain that they feel,  
I say nothing to stop the bully,  
I dream that bullies do not exist,  
I try to look away,  
I hope they will stop,  
I am the bystander.

Written by Naomi Hengeveld



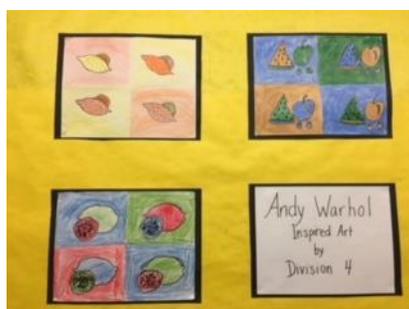
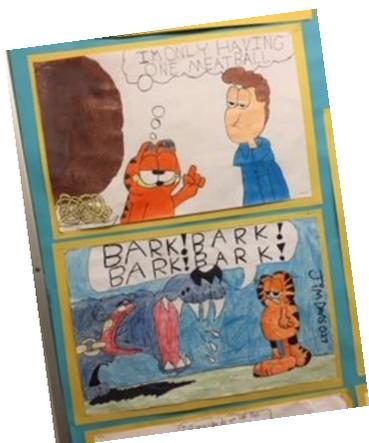
**I AM THE BRAVE.**

I wonder if I should go help,  
I hear the victim cry,  
I see the bullied get hurt,  
I want this to stop,  
I am the brave.

I pretend nothing is happening,  
I feel sad when the victim is getting hurt,  
I touch my heart and say it will not happen again,  
I worry I am not helping,  
I cry out to the bully and say, "That's not right!"  
I am the brave.

I understand how the bullied feels,  
I say, "STOP!"  
I dream it will end one day,  
I try to be brave,  
I hope I can help,  
I am the brave.

Written by Georgia Knight



## Message from PAC



We really want to thank everyone who braved the cold, snowy night to come out for the February PAC meeting. It was a great discussion, and we even made it home in time to cheer on our Canadian Women's hockey heroes!

March! Wow, March! I say this every month but it is just so amazing how fast the year goes by. I guess that it is a sign we are having a great time. The PAC is putting the final touches on some fun, some stinky, but all guaranteed to be great events – so please keep in touch.

Even though the months are ticking by, there are still many opportunities to lend a hand. We look forward to seeing old friends helping to make school events a success. Just reach out to any of the Exec, or send us a message at [info@arlordpac.ca](mailto:info@arlordpac.ca), and we will find the perfect opportunity for you.

Here are some updates on current and upcoming activities:

**PAC meeting: Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30** in the library. We don't have a meeting in March due to Spring Break so come out in April armed with amazing end of year event ideas. As always, FREE child minding is available.

**Manure Sale Fundraiser: March 10.** Spring is in the air so this joint Garibaldi – Lord event is very timely. Your poor garden had a hard, cold winter and really deserves some stinky love this spring. Spread the word among your neighbours so their gardens can look as beautiful as yours. Pre-order and the black gold delivered to make it easier on yourself. We are still looking for volunteers to help organize, shovel, and deliver the product. Lunch/snacks will be provided for volunteers to help “sweeten” the deal (sorry I had to throw one of those in). See links below for pre-orders and for volunteering

Pre-order: <http://bit.ly/spread-the-poop>

Volunteer: <http://bit.ly/manure-sale-volunteer>

**Year End Scoot: May 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:30** Details are still being hammered out but this is shaping up to be a great community event. Think bike/unicycle/pogo stick rally combined with food, music, and friendship. Please put your name forward to help organize this new event. The planning parties will be just as fun as the actual day.

**T-shirts and hoodies:** We would love to outfit everyone in our East Van t-shirts and hoodies. Help us with the goal by purchasing a shirt or two (various sizes) and wear it with pride during our upcoming events.

**Hot Lunch:** We are returning to Japan for sushi on **March 8<sup>th</sup>** and then coming back home with the always popular PIZZA lunch on **March 15<sup>th</sup>**. As always, please come out and help feed the kids if you have some spare time during the lunch hour.

**Flip Give Program:** E-shop till your fingers drop! Thank you for your continued support of this program. Remember that every purchase gives a percentage back to our school. The portal can be found on our website ([www.arlordpac.ca](http://www.arlordpac.ca)) under Fundraising, or enter this: <https://www.flipgive.com/teams/49445-dr-ar-lord-elementary-pac> into your browser.

Keep updated on these, and all PAC activities, by visiting our website ([www.arlordpac.ca](http://www.arlordpac.ca)), following our social media accounts (@ARlordPAC), and subscribing to our email list. We also post all information on the bulletin board by the back and front doors for easy reading.

Please remember to send any questions or comments directly to the PAC at [info@arlordpac.ca](mailto:info@arlordpac.ca) or by popping a note into the PAC box at the front desk. And we can't say this enough - we are always looking for input and volunteers.

Think warm, sunny thoughts his month.

Kindly,  
PAC Exec.

## Important Upcoming Dates and Events:

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| Thurs. Mar. 1               | - Dance with Anne-Michelle (K-2)                         |
| Sun. Mar. 11                | - Change your clocks                                     |
| Tue. Mar. 13 & Wed. Mar. 14 | - <b>Early Dismissal 2:00 pm</b><br>- Parent Conferences |
| Thur. Mar. 15               | - Class/Group/Grad/Panorama Photos                       |
| Mon. March 19 – Thur. 29    | - Spring Break   |
| Fri. March 30               | - Good Friday  |
| Mon. April 2                | - Easter Monday  |
| Tue. April 3                | - Back to School<br>- Hoop Dance Workshops               |
| Wed. April 25               | - Spring Concert   |
| Fri. Apr. 27                | - Pro-D  |

