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Wednesday, November 10th, 2021

# Our Principal's Message

Today we observed Remembrance Day at the school. Students and staff contributed to a pre-recorded video which we all watched during the day. While this activity is much different than our usual ceremony and gathering, it remains a significant time for us to pause as a school to remember and reflect. I would like to thank Mr. Wilejto, Mr. Mellen and Mr. Fraychineaud for putting this together. The program follows later in the newsletter.

November also brings an end to term one, which is the halfway point in semester one. Students will be receiving a formal report card in the mail in two weeks. Following the report cards, we will calculate the first term honour roll and we will publish that in a subsequent newsletter. If the report cards create any questions or concerns, please contact the school or the teacher directly.

The Volleyball season has mostly wrapped up. Our Grade 8 team placed first in the district with an undefeated record at the tournament. Thank you to Mrs. Hanson and Ami Moore for coaching. Our Junior Girls entered two teams in the final tournament, finishing third and fourth. Thank you to Mr. Backhouse for coaching. Finally, the Senior Girls are still playing, with Zones next weekend. Thank you to Mr. Little for coaching and to Mrs. Dube for helping. Basketball is underway.

We continue to be short staffed, both here at the school and in the district. Our Aboriginal Student Advocate positions, both seven hrs., are vacant. This is creating a big hole in our supports and services to students and families. There is also a vacancy for a Personal Care Assistant, six hours. Finally, when someone is absent, we very often do not get a replacement for a teacher, a support worker or for clerical. If you know anyone in the community who might be interested in joining our team, please have them contact the school for more information.

Finally, I would like to thank Mrs. Snyder and Mrs. Unruh for taking on the Homework Help positions. More information later in the newsletter.

# Remembrance Day Art



Mr. Wilejto and his Grade 10, 11 and 12 Art Classes created this beautiful display in honour of the poppy as our country's symbol of remembrance.

LDSS would like to thank the Chief, Council and Education Department of Cheslatta Carrier Nation for their generous donation of beading supplies to our Cultural Centre.



# LDSS Lakers clothing is available for order now!

Order and payment deadline is this Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. Call 250-692-7733 for more info.



### **Grade 8 Girls Volleyball Brings Home First Place**



Congratulations to our Grade 8 Girls Volleyball team on their first place finish at the October 29<sup>th</sup> tournament in Vanderhoof. A special thank you to coaches Ami Moore and Mrs. Hanson for your time and dedication to the team.

# Bannock Making in Honour of Mrs. Alec



Students and staff worked together to make and serve Bannock for whole school.

## **Grade 12 CLC Presentations**



Grade 12 students have started presenting evidence of their critical and creative thinking, culture, personal awareness and responsibility, volunteerism and their passions to a three-member panel. They also discuss plans for after graduation.

Homework Help Monday - Friday Room 146 8:10 - 8:40 am 12:30 - 1:00 pm 3:15 - 4:15 pm





### School Board Meeting

Monday, November 15th, 2021 6:00 pm

### **Important Public Attendance Notice**

\*\*\*With the current ongoing COVID context amid this fourth wave, The Board of Education is limiting the number of public at Board meetings to four, which includes presenters/delegations. Anyone interested in joining the meeting who cannot be accommodated in-person will be provided a virtual link.

We are requesting that members of the public interested in attending this meeting, contact Tracy Austin at taustin@sd91.bc.ca or 250-567-2284 prior to the meeting.

\*\*\*Please note: any additional public arriving to attend the public Board meeting will be asked to return home and provided with a link to join virtually.

#### LDSS UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

November 11<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Term One Report Cards Mailed Home

November 26<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day

December 20th – Winter Break Begins

January 4th - First Day Back to School

February 11<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day

February 21st – Family Day

March 21st - Spring Break Begins

April 4th - First Day Back to School

April 15<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday

April 18th – Easter Monday

April 29<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day

May 13<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day

May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Victoria Day

June 17<sup>th</sup> – Commencement Ceremony