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LDSS News

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Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Our Principal's Message

We are quickly approaching the end of 2023 and early in the new year the first semester will end. There will be some important dates coming up quickly once we hit the new year.



Informal Learning Updates will be mailed home before the winter break, only for students who are not currently passing their courses. If you want to check on your child's progress, you can email the teacher at any time.

The week of January 22-26 is the last week of the semester. Ministry assessments for grades 10, 11, and 12 will be scheduled for the beginning of that week. Not all students need to write these and students are encouraged to check the lists that will be posted in early January. Wednesday and Thursday of that week are for in school assessments. Friday, January 26 is for missed assessments and assignment completion. Semester 2 will start on Monday, January 29 with a short homeroom.

Attached to this newsletter you will find the Honor Roll for Term 1. To achieve Honor Roll status, students must be fully proficient (grades 8 and 9) or have a B average (73% and above). Students with excellent attendance, missing 5 days or less, not including school activities, make the Principal's List. Students can also be nominated to this list for excellent work habits. The distinction list, for grades 10, 11, 12 is based on an A average (86% and above). Students in grades 8 and 9 will have distinction criteria in Term 2.

LDSS UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

December 25 – January 5th Winter Break
February 9th Pro-D Day (NO CLASSES)
February 14th – 16th Grad Photos
February 19th Family Day (NO CLASSES)
March 13th Talk About Learning Time (Early Dismissal)
March 25th – April 5th Spring Break
April 15th Grad Photo Retakes

SCHOOL CONTACTS OF NOTE

Athletics – Steven Little
Book Club – Karen Isaak
Careers – Patti Dube
Counselling – Kim Dezamits or Tracey Brown
Discipline – Steven Little
Guitar Club – Steve Wilejto
Inclusive Education – Stacie Gray
Lakes Learning Centre – Danny Dell
Student Voice – Steven Little
Transcripts – TJ Pelletier

Spotlight on Staff – Mrs. Dube

My name is Patti Dubé (Wadsworth). Pat and I arrived in Burns Lake the summer of 1990. My teaching assignment was in Granisle and his was here at LDSS. We lived in Granisle that first year and Pat commuted to BL each day. Granisle is a beautiful area, and I thoroughly enjoyed my time there but with the mine closing I took a job at LDSS.

What do I do? What have I done? I have taught English, Foods, Careers, Family Management, librarian at 2 elementary schools (briefly) and, of course, Physical Education. One of my passions is to get students outside not only school but Burns Lake. I have taught outdoor educational activities (canoeing, hiking, mountain biking), I coached girls' soccer for 10 years, basketball at all levels, volleyball, skiing and snowboarding for 20 years and mountain biking for approximately 15 years. I worked with students on Student Voice for approximately 15 years where students learned that giving back not only to our community but to people around the world makes a difference.

I have been coaching my entire career and feel that it is the best way to make connections with the students.

With these teams and through Student Voice I have taken students all over the province and to different parts of the world.

I have been athletic director and PE department head for most of my career. Organizing games, bussing, coaches, referees and purchasing equipment.

In careers, I organize students to participate in District initiatives, apprenticeship opportunities and CTC Trades courses. I teach Career Life Connections 12, I find work placements for students and help students with career advice.

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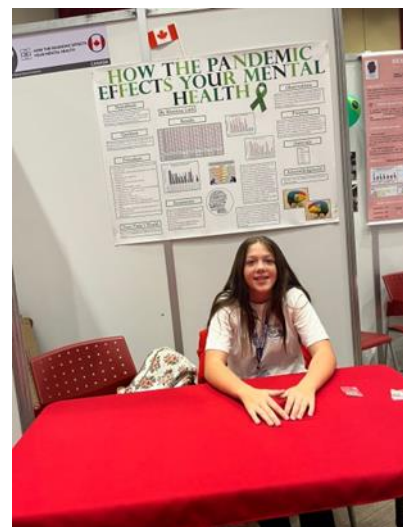
Little Angels Visit

Mrs. Brown's PE 10,11 and 12 class hosted Little Angels daycare Wednesday morning. They had planned an adventure where there was a train ride, throwing snowballs, going through tunnels and over a mountain. Then all of the kids practiced their balancing before they hit some balls into nets. The small kids made new friends with the big kids!



Expo Sciences International

My name is Rheanna Leith. I went Expo Sciences International (ESI) which was held in Puebla Mexico. I got to go to ESI because I made it to Canada wide science fair in 2022. Only 30 people from Canada were chosen from all of the applicants to go, I was one of only 5 people including myself from BC who made it. There were 30 other countries and nearly 700 kids from around the world who attended. While in Mexico I got to present my project to kids, school groups, adults in Mexico, and many other youth from other attending countries. A big highlight for me was that my dad got to join me on the trip as a chaperone and he had a blast too. We got to go on different tours in Mexico and see different landmarks and experience the culture. This trip was one of the best experiences of my life; I made so many friends and met so many people. I hope to go to the next one in 2 years, as it only happens every 2 years in different countries. My biggest message to everyone, **if you have a dream go after it!**



Questions and Answers...

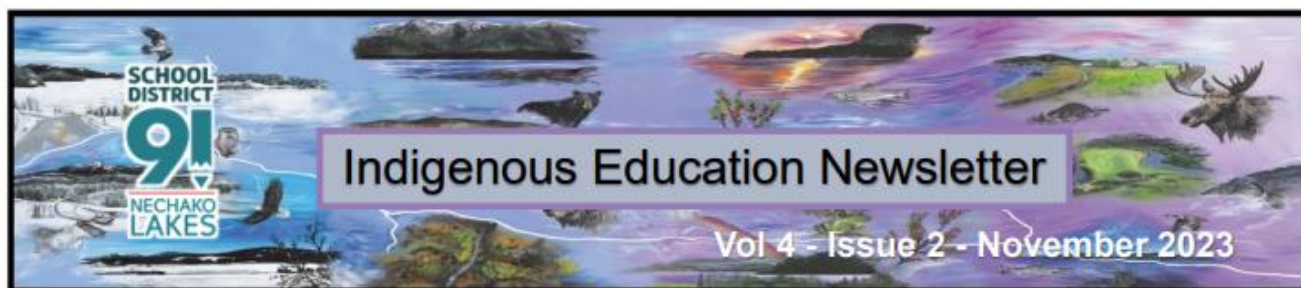
What is "Extending" in Grade 8 and 9

With the new Reporting Order for BC schools, the goal in grades 8 and 9 is to become or achieve "Proficient". For students who achieve a high level of proficiency, what then is "Extending". The ministry of education defines Extending as "demonstrating a sophisticated understanding of the concepts and competencies relevant to the expected learning". It is about going deeper into a concept, finding unique ways, being innovative, and applying their knowledge, skills, and understanding in new ways. Extending **comes from the learner**. Teachers do not hand out "extending" assignments. Students who are already proficient are being encouraged to explore concepts further, to deepen their learning, to create a portfolio of work that shows this achievement. For learners on a path to post secondary, this is a very important aspect of taking responsibility for their own learning and becoming independent. If you your child is interested in pursuing extensions, please have then reach out to their teacher or to me directly with ideas.

When Will You Receive a Absence Call Home?

The automatic callout is set to run if the **student misses all or most of the class** without being excused. If this happens and you want more information, we encourage you to call the school and find out which class. We sometimes make mistakes, so we can correct it if that is the case.

You will NOT get a call if your child is late, only if absent.



September 2023 Role Models



Noah—Grade 8

Nadleh Whut'en

Noah is a hard working, pleasant student. He is always kind and does his best!

Keep up the awesomeness Noah!



Hailey—Grade 12

Lake Babine Nation

Hailey shows tremendous work ethic consistently. Hailey is both friendly, caring and works hard at any task that is set in front of her.



Nevaeh—Grade 12

Saik'uz First Nation

Nevaeh strives for success. She is hardworking, always cheery with a smile and respectful. She is a role model for all students.

October 2023 Role Models



Ezekiel—Grade 10

Non Status

He is a polite, helpful student. Zeke's attendance is excellent. He works diligently towards completing his academic courses. Zeke participates in class activities. He is part of the Student Council and Student Voice. Zeke attended the BC Student Leadership Conference in Kelowna which has empowered him to be a leader in our community and school.



Perry—Grade 12

Lake Babine Nation

Perry has had an outstanding start to the semester. His attendance, engagement, effort, and focus in class has been exemplary. Perry is a quiet leader among his peers and sets a strong academic example for them. Additionally, Perry has joined our Indigenous Young Men's group this year.



Jada—Grade 11

Nak'azdli

She is a honour role student and has good attendance. Jada is pleasant and gets along with her peers. Jada is a hockey player and excels at the sport. She is very involved in her culture.



Holiday—Grade 7

Non Status

This student always try's her best. She is cheery, and always has a contagious smile. Very quiet and polite.

Recipe

SERVINGS PREP TIME COOK TIME

INGREDIENTS DIRECTIONS

SD91 is looking to serve recipes from the community to help build menus.

If you have a recipe to share it needs to:

- be okay to serve a large population, easily 50 or more servings.
- be transportable, so holds well in moving between sites.
- include a list of ingredients, amounts for each ingredient to be used in the recipe, instructions, and any comments regarding traditional ways it may be served at home (ex. Side dishes, time of year, time of day it may be served)
- There is need for more diverse recipes that may include fish or be plant-based and suitable for vegetarian and vegan diets.

FROM THE KITCHEN OF

Send recipes to rturnerklopper@sd91.bc.ca with contact information.
Or drop it off at the local school
Submit by Jan 5, 2024

Textiles, Arts & Crafts



Here is a garland that the senior Textiles girls made.

Tephilla Findstad – Grade 12
Jadyn Varga – Grade 12
Katelyn Bergeron – Grade 11
Alex Anderson – Grade 11



Stockings - Andrina Stiffer, Gr.10,, Navy blue floral pillow - Katelyn Bergeron, Gr.11 Mountain pillow – Alex Anderson, Gr.11

HONOUR ROLL TERM ONE 2023-2024

Honour Roll				
Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Apindao, Fairah Belcourt, Riley Benoit, Julien Hunter, Mackenzie Johnston, Rylan Le, Sydney Lorentz, Cooper Lutick, Gaige MacLellan, Coby Merkley, Madelyn Nesbitt, Miles Neufeld, Sierra Nguyen, Lynda Probst, Kaya Shumka, Hope Spanks, Isaac Sprake, Hunter Trottier, Ellie Waters, Claire Wilson, Lola	Ancheta-Smith, Jon Anderson, Julia Blackwell, Haydn Borne, Alaina Broadworth, Ella Cunningham, Logan Griffin, Rhys Hanson, Rian Hayes, Joshua Heron, Justine Lewis, Levi McNolty-Wiseman, Tristain Mills, Eli Moyah, Corban Oldfield, Tyson Probst, Marlis Raphael-Quaw, Sakura Sensenig, Jaydon Shively, Lily Stewart, Dylan Tourond, Emily Wainwright, Tristan	Antoine, Ava Borne Clark Brown, Ryan Burgie, Jaidan Burgie, Riegan Clayton, Kyle Hiatt, Holly Higginson, Keara Hoffos, Bobby Lambert, Jasmyn McKee, Taylor O'Meara, Tehya Poole, Landon Sharma, Parina Shively, Nick Stanyer, Bree Tom, Antoine Voss, Thom William, Rihanna Wilson, Sebastian	Albertson, Kyden Anderson, Alex Bergeron, Katelyn Berlin, Chayse Brown, Tiara Derksen, Justin Elliott, Finn Fast, Curtis Green, Walker Haizimsque, Brooklyn Lambert, Emmitt Menzel, Daemon Morgan, Dwight Rollert, Sage Tran, Lucas Voss, Sean William, Hadley Williams, Ben Williams, Doug Zayac, Isaac	Amendt, Brody Bell, Kaiden Benedict, Dylan Dennis-Alec, Levana Fast, Austin Finstad, Tephilla Grace, Julia Hanson, Noah Joseph, Susan McKee, Keegan Petkau, Cameron Rakochy, Jadlyn Reynolds, Jayden Spanks, Sarah Stiffler, Celine Thom-Lucy, Cooper Vandenberg, Anyon Varga, Jadyn Wall, Kendra Williams, Jerney
Honour Roll with Distinction				
		Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
		Arora, Agrim Benoit, Caiomi Cuerrier, Sapphira Dill, Sabrina Finstad Hadasa Lambert, Mariah MacKay, Avalon Miller, Ava Le, Tinh Orr, Violet Petersen, Aliana Petkau, Charlie Shively, Maddy Traxler, Kayley Vitela-Aguilera, Rafael Waddle, Phaedra Wall, Alyssa Wipfli, Zane	Brown, Tucker Buller, Shaun Cunningham, Emma Gerow, Nyah Gray, Abby Griffin, Carys Higginson, Kimberly Hoffman, Zoe Jack, Leah MacWilliam, Emma Nguyen, Lina Rose, Ian Somerville, Rebekah Spanks, Seth Wainwright, Courtney Zayac, Alexander	Adam, Perry Blackwell, Jackson Crouse, Hailey Cunningham, Brandan Danyliuk, Hayley Dell, Haley Hamp, Julia Klassen, Alexzander Lambert, Logan Shively, Aly Shively, Kai Waters, Sarah Wilson, Laurie
Principal's List				
Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Albertson, Kaleb Alec-West, Cruz Bansal, Avika Bird, Kevin Heron, Jesse Lindberg, Nathaniel MacWilliam, Anna Peter Bennett, Dushawn Prince, Ambrose West, Brayden	Adams, Mason Alec, Danica Alec-West, Liddell Erickson, Aja Erickson, Lexi Fairley, Maria Gerow, Hunter Green, Jay Hanson, Jake Joseph, Rylan Pangerl, Maria Peter, Alexis Vickers, Russ Wiebe, Matthew Williams, Star	Alec-West, Kingston Fortin, Marcus Hanson, Katie Munro, Shaylee	Lievsay, Miles Raphael-Quaw, Mellina Reynolds, Isaiah Toews, Olivia Voss, Sean	Shelford, Brayden