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# GRASSY PLAINS SCHOOL NEWS

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*The purpose of Grassy Plains School is to enable learners to develop their individual potential as life-long learners and to acquire the knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed to become responsible citizens in a democratic society.*

May 22th, 2026

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It was a meaningful week at Grassy Plains Elementary as each class had the opportunity to spend time with Guy Prince from Nak'azdli Whut'en. Guy shared powerful stories with our students and spoke about his deep respect and love for the animals and people of our community. Students were also guided through a hands-on moose antler craft and even had the opportunity to learn the syllabic spelling of their names. We are grateful to Guy for sharing his knowledge, culture, and time with our school community.

We are now heading into some very busy and exciting weeks ahead. On Tuesday, May 26th, our Grade 7 students will travel to LDSS for 7-UP Day, where they will have the opportunity to become familiar with their future school and begin their transition to the 2026–2027 school year.

We are also pleased to be welcoming our newest learners and their families to our **Welcome to Kindergarten** event on Wednesday, June 27th from 9:30–11:00 a.m. We look forward to meeting our incoming kindergarten students and helping them begin their journey at Grassy Plains School.

On Thursday, May 28th, our Grade 4–7 students will be attending the district track and field event at NVSS in Vanderhoof. We wish our athletes the very best and extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. Orr for the time, effort, and care she has put into coaching and organizing our team.

Thank you for your continued support as we move through a busy and rewarding time of year.

Mrs. Moyah



We Are...

**G**rateful  
**R**espectful  
**A**ccepting  
**S**upportive  
**S**uccessful and we  
**Y**earn for Truth & Knowledge

### REMINDERS TO PARENTS/ GUARDIANS:

Please remember to report your child's absence to the office, whether or not it is illness related. Thank you.

*Please remember to always report to the office before proceeding into the school.*

*"Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying, 'I will try again tomorrow.'"*  
— Mary Anne Radmacher

## Notice of Important Dates

As June fast approaches, please take note of the following important dates:

- **Tuesday, June 16th** – Carla Lewis will be joining us for a Medicine Walk behind the school. Carla, a past resident of the Southside, brings a wealth of knowledge about the medicinal uses of local Indigenous plants.
- **Friday, June 19th** – Sports Day! The PAC will be providing a BBQ lunch for all students and staff. Parents and visitors are welcome, with concession items available for purchase.
- **Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM** – Our final school assembly. We invite families to join us as we celebrate another wonderful year of learning together.

**June 25th** – Last day of school (half day) before summer break.

We look forward to celebrating these events together as we wrap up another great school year.

### **K/1 Teddy Bear Picnic**

It was wonderful to see families join us for our annual Kindergarten/Grade 1 Teddy Bear Picnic. Although the weather was a little windy and crisp, our hearts were warmed as our K/1 students proudly recited *"We're Going on a Bear Hunt."*

We are so thankful to Mrs. Noth for the time, care, and effort she puts into creating such meaningful learning experiences for her students. It was a special day enjoyed by all.



**June 25th**  
**1/2 Day**  
**LAST DAY OF**  
**SCHOOL**

### **UPCOMING DATES:**

May 26th –7-Up Day LDSS  
May 27th –Welcome to Kindergarten  
May 28 –District Track & Field  
May 29 –Gr 5/6/7 Salmon Release  
June 6 –K/1 Field Trip  
June 9th –Kager Trip  
June 12 –Doris Minger  
June 19th –Sports Day  
June 25th-1/2 Day of School

### **PAC CORNER:**

The Next PAC Meeting will be on June 3rd at 4:00pm in Rm. 3 at GPESS  
grassypac@gmail.com  
This will be the AGM for 2026/27

REMINDER:  
**Last Day of Hot Lunch**  
**June 24th**



### **Superintendent's Report to the Board**

Superintendent Anita McClinton presented her [Monthly Report](#) at the Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, May 25th, 2026.

You may find it under the Latest News heading at [www.sd91.bc.ca](http://www.sd91.bc.ca) or on our [Board of Education Updates](#) page.

**Foster Parent Recruitment**

Have you ever considered being a foster caregiver? These info sessions are for you



You are invited to sign up for a virtual drop-in info session every fourth Thursday at noon.  
Scan the QR Code to sign up or call 250-847-7727 for more info.




## Dice Roll Hunt

This fast-paced, flexible game is ideal for practicing **number sense, counting, and basic operations**. It combines math with a scavenger-hunt twist, which can be especially attractive for kids who enjoy movement and an element of surprise.

Give your child one or two dice and have them roll. Then challenge them to find that number of objects around the room, yard, or even inside the car.

If they roll a 6 and a 2, they might run off to gather 8 leaves, 8 toy animals, or 8 red things. You can vary the challenge based on what you want to reinforce: counting, adding, or multiplying.

The game is self-paced and easily customizable, so you can play it with only one child. You can even turn it into a timed challenge: "How fast can you find that many blue things?" or "Can you collect your objects in under a minute?"

This is a great example of **movement learning math** in real time because your child is physically interacting with their environment and reinforcing key concepts through playful repetition. You're also encouraging categorization, visual scanning, and decision-making, all important thinking skills in math.

## Math Activity



### Kid Jokes

**Q: What do you call a bear with no teeth?**

A: A gummy bear!

**Q: Why was the math book so sad?**

A: Because it had too many problems!

Come join us  
try out our  
programs!



## Creative Corner



Wed June 10

3:30pm-4:30pm

JOIN US TO CREATE WHATEVER  
YOUR MIND CAN IMAGINE!

## FATHER'S DAY STORY TIME & PAPER AIRPLANE COMPETITION



Friday June 19

3:30-4:30pm

**COMING  
SOON**  
*Summer Reading Club*

WWW.BURNSLAKE.BC.LIBRARIES.COOP

## Caregivers Needed

[www.csfs.org](http://www.csfs.org)

**It starts with us, let's talk about connecting kids and their Communities. Are you, or someone you know interested in becoming a caregiver?**

**Connect  
with Cheyenne  
250-251-1170**



**CARRIER SEKANI  
FAMILY SERVICES**  
Creating wellness together.



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NECHAKO LAKES

## Proposed School Calendar

We are currently collecting public feedback regarding the *DRAFT* 2028-29 school calendar.

Your feedback will be accepted via email to [calendarfeedback@sd91.bc.ca](mailto:calendarfeedback@sd91.bc.ca) until **4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 22, 2026**. Check out the 'Calendars – Yearly' page at [www.sd91.bc.ca/school-calendar](http://www.sd91.bc.ca/school-calendar) to view the proposed calendars.

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### School Board Meeting

**Monday, May 25, 2026**  
**6:30 pm**

**School Board Office**  
**Vanderhoof, BC**

**Important Public Attendance Notice:**

Members of the public are invited to attend Regular Meetings of the Board of Education.

Due to limited space and seating availability, please request your seat in advance if you wish to attend in person.

Alternatively, members of the public may attend this meeting virtually through Microsoft Teams. To take advantage of this online attendance option, please visit [www.sd91.bc.ca/meeting-information](http://www.sd91.bc.ca/meeting-information) for the Teams link.

To view the meeting agenda, please visit [www.sd91.bc.ca/board-agendas-and-minutes](http://www.sd91.bc.ca/board-agendas-and-minutes).

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### NOTICE OF **POTENTIAL** FIELD TRIP

#### KAGER LAKE, June 9th

Our annual picnic, hiking, and biking trip to Kager Lake is planned for June 9th. This is a much-anticipated outdoor learning experience for our students and staff.

In preparation for this trip, we are reviewing updated safety procedures and will be working with students to ensure they are familiar with bear and wildlife safety through classroom lessons and discussions. As many families are aware, the Kager Lake area is home to wildlife, including bears that have historically coexisted without concern for public safety.

We have been in contact with the Conservation Officer and will continue to monitor conditions leading up to the trip. While we are hopeful the trip will proceed as planned, we ask for your understanding that a last-minute cancellation may be necessary if safety conditions change due to the unpredictable nature of wildlife in the area.

We will make every effort to communicate any changes with families as early as possible, as this is one of our favourite outdoor learning events of the year.

**WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN EVENT AT GRASSY PLAINS SCHOOL**

May 27, 2026  
9:30 -11:00 AM

Please join us for activities, and orientation to the upcoming school year.

All families who attend will go home with a bag of items and learning activities to support a smooth transition to Kindergarten.

Please call or email to confirm your attendance  
250-694-3396, [gmoyah@sd91.bc.ca](mailto:gmoyah@sd91.bc.ca)

**Tell us what you think!**

Review and share your thoughts about the proposed language for our 2026-2031 Strategic Plan

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Our survey closes on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

You may access the survey online at the link or QR code below, or you are welcome to pick up a paper copy at any Nechako Lakes school or district office.

Access our survey at  
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/1j2t3frupdn>

[www.sd91.bc.ca](http://www.sd91.bc.ca)

**Sus'an Yaz Daycare**

Before school: 7:30 - 8:30  
After school: 3 - 5

Daycare positions available

Contact Emma Carney @  
Phone: 778-916-3377  
Email: [ecarney@csfs.org](mailto:ecarney@csfs.org) or

Stop into the daycare Monday-Friday to pick-up registration forms



*We are grateful to live, work, and play on the unceded, ancestral territories of fourteen First Nations representing the Dakelh, Nedut'en and Wet'suwet'en peoples. We are working diligently towards creating equity for our learners through conscious acts of Reconciliation.*



## Grassy Plains School Code of Conduct

### **It is expected that students\* will:**

Respect the rights of others within the school community, including peers, staff, parents, and guests.

Work to the best of their abilities with the goal of always improving.

Follow the directions of school staff. Speak to the Principal if you have concerns or questions about directions from staff.

Respect the school building, equipment, and property, including property of others. Students (or their parents) may be held financially responsible for repairs or replacement of property purposely damaged.

Respect the diversity of our school community and the *BC Human Rights Code* which prevents discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, gender identification/expression, sexual orientation or sexual orientation as perceived by others.

Always conduct themselves in a safe and responsible manner.

Not threaten, harass, bully, intimidate or assault, in any way, any person within the school community. This includes cyber bullying.

Not be in possession of any object that, in the opinion of the Principal or Vice Principal, is potentially dangerous. This includes any weapons, legal or illegal, including replicas/imitations.

Not be in possession or under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or other banned items.

Not be in possession of or use tobacco, drugs or vape type products in school buildings, on school trips or on school property.

Buses are considered an extension of the school day. The school principal will oversee student conduct on buses. Bus riding privileges can be modified or suspended based on district and school codes of conduct. It is expected that students will follow specific rules for travelling on school buses, such as (but not limited to):

- Refrain from throwing objects in or out of the bus
- Keep all parts of the body and objects inside the window
- Remain seated while the vehicle is in motion.
- Follow the bus driver's instructions

### **Elementary School Students**

For students in elementary schools, personal digital devices must be powered off and safely stored away during the entire school day, from the time the student arrives on school grounds until they leave school grounds. This extends to instructional time, and while off school property (e.g. field trip/bus).

Students in elementary schools may only use personal digital devices during the school day for instructional purposes to promote digital literacy, and only with the permission and direct supervision of a teacher or other staff member.

### **Secondary School Students**

For students in secondary schools, personal digital devices must be powered off and safely stored away during instructional time, unless being used for instructional purposes or to promote digital literacy; this may be done with the permission and under the direct supervision of a teacher or other staff member. Secondary school students may use personal digital devices during the school day outside of instructional time, for example, before school begins, between classes, or during lunch break.

### **All Students K-12**

Any use of a personal digital device during instructional hours will be appropriate to a student's age and developmental stage.

All students are responsible for safe storage of any personal digital device(s) brought to school.

### **Exemptions for Individual Students**

Individual students (and their caregivers) at any grade level with documented and verified needs, such as accessibility, medical, health, or learning needs may work with the School Based Team to develop an exemption plan that requires the use of a personal digital device for full inclusion.

Use of a personal digital device during the school day or instructional hours will be considered in matters of equity, such as a lack of internet access at home.

Final approval of any exemption must be given by the School Principal, and the approved plan will be shared as necessary and appropriate with staff members.

*\*Special considerations apply to students who are unable to comply with the School Code of Conduct due to having a disability/condition of an intellectual, physical, medical, sensory, emotional, or behavioral nature.*