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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.*

October 1st, 2026

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we move into October, I would like to take a moment to recognize our students for their participation in this year's Terry Fox Run. Our Terry Fox Run has always been a special event for our school, and over the years it has become even more meaningful through its connections to our community, volunteers and former students. It was wonderful to see so many students enthusiastically take part while learning about Terry's legacy of courage, determination, and helping others. Thank you to our staff, families, and school community for supporting this important event.

With the arrival of fall, we are beginning to experience cooler temperatures and more unpredictable weather. Please help your child come prepared each day with appropriate outdoor clothing, including warm jackets, hats, and footwear suitable for wet conditions. Students spend time outside at recess and lunch whenever possible and being dressed for the weather helps them stay comfortable and enjoy their time outdoors.

I would also like to remind families about our upcoming **Talk About Learning** early dismissal day on **October 21st**. This is an excellent opportunity to meet with your child's teacher, celebrate successes, discuss progress, and address any questions or concerns you may have as we move through the first part of the school year. Strong partnerships between home and school contribute greatly to student success, and we encourage all families to participate. You can book your time with teacher(s) by calling the office at 250-694-3396.

Finally, we are currently seeking additional on-call replacement staff to support our school. We are particularly in need of replacement **bus drivers, custodians, clerical staff, and learning support workers**. If you or someone you know may be interested in joining our team in an on-call capacity, please contact School District 91 or visit the district website for more information about available opportunities. We greatly appreciate the support of community members who help keep our schools running smoothly.

We look forward to a wonderful month of learning ahead.

**Ginger Moyah**

Principal

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.

"Tell me and I'll forget;  
show me and I may  
remember; involve me  
and I'll understand."

-Chinese proverb

## Hot Lunch Menu

**Mondays— Soup and bun**

**Tuesdays—Taco salad**

**Wednesdays—Casserole**

**Thursdays—Pasta**

**Fridays—Pizza**

### UPCOMING DATES:

Oct 12th—Thanksgiving. **NO SCHOOL**

Oct 13th—PAC Meeting at GPES

**Oct 20th—Lockdown Drill**  
@ 11:30am

Oct 21st—Talk about learning  
**1/2 Day of school**

Oct 23rd—Pro-D Day **NO SCHOOL**

Oct 30th—Halloween parade

Nov 9th—PAC Meeting at GPES

Nov 10th—Remembrance Day  
Assembly at 1pm

### REMINDER TO PARENTS/ GUARDIANS:

The doors of the school will remain locked for the safety of staff and students. Please ring the doorbell and wait patiently for it to be answered. Students are NOT to answer the door for adults, so please do not ask them to do so.

### Next PAC Meeting:

October 13 at 3:30pm in Room three or, if weather permits, in the back field.

**ALL PARENTS ARE  
WELCOME**

We are incredibly grateful to welcome **Helen Michelle, an Elder from Skin Tyee**, to our school every two weeks to share her knowledge, language, culture, and teachings with our students. Helen's visits provide meaningful opportunities for learners to deepen their understanding of local Indigenous culture, traditions, and ways of knowing. We are fortunate to learn from her wisdom and experience, and we greatly value the connections she helps build between our school and community.

As we recognize **Orange Shirt Day** and the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**, we reflect on the importance of listening, learning, and honouring the experiences of Residential School Survivors and their families. Orange Shirt Day reminds us that **"Every Child Matters"** and encourages us all to continue learning about truth, reconciliation, and the shared responsibility of creating a future built on respect, understanding, and inclusion.



## MESSAGE ABOUT THE PAC

### PAC Meeting Reminder:

The next **PAC Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, October 13 at 3:30 p.m.** If weather permits, the meeting will take place on the playground. In the event of poor weather, the meeting will take place in **Room 3**. We encourage all parents and guardians to attend and join the conversation about our school community. PAC is a great way to stay informed, share ideas, and help support opportunities for our students. We welcome new and returning members throughout the year and look forward to working together to make our school the best it can be.

### Hot Lunch Reminder:

A friendly reminder to sign up for our **Hot Lunch Program**. The registration and ordering link is: <https://munchalunch.com/login> . If you need assistance with setting up an account or placing an order, please feel free to contact April Fleming and she will be happy to help.

### September Hot Lunch Menu:

Please see the **September Hot Lunch Menu** in the attached calendar for upcoming meal options. Thank you for supporting this program, which benefits our students and school community!



## BACK TO SCHOOL PACKAGES

Through the Deputy Minister's Bulletin, we have released a three-week Back-to-School package focused on school culture and climate. Each week of September, the Ministry has shared subject-specific information on upcoming events, available training, and new and existing resources to support districts and schools in fostering safe and welcoming environments for all students.

Please familiarize yourself with the content in each package:

Week 1: [B.C.'s Welcoming Schools and Safety](#)

Week 2: [Mental Health and Well-being](#)

Week 3: [Diversity and Inclusion](#)

## B.C.'s WELCOMING SCHOOLS

Launching this school year, B.C.'s Welcoming Schools is a new provincial site focused on fostering learning environments where all students feel safe, welcome, connected, and supported.

Additional information and resources are available on the new [B.C.'s Welcoming Schools webpage](#), bringing together new and existing resources and supports for students, families and school staff.

## Safer Schools Together Support

Connect early with Safer Schools Together – safety teams have access to behavioural and digital threat assessment as well as critical incident support 24/7 through a Ministry contract with school safety experts Safer Schools Together.

To request support, get in touch with Karie Evans at your earliest convenience.

## erase Training

In partnership with Safer Schools Together, the Ministry offers free online and in-person training to school and district safety team members, students, and families. Sessions are focused on supporting school and online safety.

The [2026/27 erase training schedule](#) is now available and sessions are open for registration. Additional training sessions may be added throughout the school year.

New PVP are strongly encouraged to register for [Foundations of School Safety](#) as well as other offerings to support digital and behavioral threat assessment, trauma-informed responses, and to inform critical incident response and management.

## Report It

Reminder that Safe School Coordinators will receive a notification for follow-up when a student submits a report through the [Report It](#) tool.

If a report has not been confirmed within 48 hours, the *erase* team will follow up with the Safe School Coordinator to ensure it has been received and actioned accordingly.

If your school is named in the Report It tool, you will receive notification from Karie Evans.

## erase Tools & Decals

English and French [erase Report It](#) decals are available for free upon request; please let KARIA EVANS know if you need more decals.

We look forward to working with you throughout the 2026/27 school year. Thank you for your commitment to fostering safe and welcoming school communities across B.C.

Sincerely,

*erase* Team



The K/1 Class enjoying  
Sprit North time



# Strategic Education Plan 2020-2025

## MISSION

Achieve educational excellence in an environment that honours diversity and personalized learning.

## VISION

Develop learners to make positive contributions in our evolving global community.

## OUR GOALS

### CREATE STUDENT SUCCESS

A continued focus on the essential skills of literacy, numeracy and social emotional well-being.  
Support effective teaching and learning strategies.

### ENHANCE CONNECTIONS

Create opportunities and assist schools to engage in valuable learning activities with community partners.

### ENGAGE OUR WORKFORCE

Nurture school and district cultures that inspire and support passion-based teaching, learning and leading.  
Create opportunities for every member of our organization to contribute to student success.

### HONOUR DIVERSITY

Respect the strength of all diversities within our communities.  
Support the transformation of an education system that recognizes, celebrates, and includes Indigenous history, worldviews and perspectives.



# Honouring People, Land and History

# Grassy Plains School October 2026

| Sunday                                                                              | Monday                                                                | Tuesday                                                            | Wednesday                                                       | Thursday                                                    | Friday                                                     | Saturday |
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|  |                                                                       |                                                                    |                                                                 | 1<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Beef & Broccoli<br>Teriyaki with noodles | 2<br>Custodian<br>Appreciation Day<br>Hot Lunch: Pizza     | 3        |
| 4                                                                                   | 5<br>Teacher<br>Appreciation Day<br>Hot Lunch: Ham and<br>potato soup | 6<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Taco salad                                      | 7<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Stuffed pepper<br>casserole                  | 8<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Leftover Day/ Pasta<br>with meat sauce   | 9<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Pizza                                   | 10       |
| 11                                                                                  | 12<br>Thanksgiving Day<br>NO SCHOOL                                   | 13<br>PAC Meeting at<br>GPES at 3:30pm<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Taco Salad | 14<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Beef & Broccoli<br>Teriyaki with<br>noodles | 15<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Pasta with meat<br>sauce                | 16<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Pizza                                  | 17       |
| 18                                                                                  | 19<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Cheeseburger Soup                                 | 20<br>LOCKDOWN DRILL at<br>11:30am<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Taco salad     | 21<br>Talk About Learning<br>Day<br>Noon Dismissal              | 22<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Leftover day/ pasta<br>with meat sauce  | 23<br>Pro-D Day<br>NO SCHOOL                               | 24       |
| 25                                                                                  | 26<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Ham & potato soup                                 | 27<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Taco salad                                     | 28<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Ham casserole                               | 29<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Chicken and noodle<br>casserole         | 30<br>Halloween Parade<br>at 1:00pm<br>Hot Lunch:<br>Pizza | 31       |