

Sept 21, 2022
Newsletter



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MOUSE MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY

Message from the Principal



Hadih and Hello!

Thanks to everyone who was able to come out to our open house/ ice cream social last night! It was so nice to see so many families at the school.

Please remember that there is **no school on September 23rd**—this is a district planning day and our staff will be learning together!

We will be honoring **Orange Shirt Day** at our school on **September 29th** starting with a special assembly at 9:45 am. Families are welcome to join us. Please note that **September 30th is National Day for Truth & Reconciliation** and there is no school this day.

We are holding our **Terry Fox Run** in the Mouse Mountain School field on **Friday October 7th at 9:45 am**. We have set a school fundraising goal of \$250 and if we meet it, each class will get a chance to wrap me up like a mummy... **YIKES!** You can help us with our goal by sending a loonie or toonie donation to

school with your child. We are collecting donations until Oct 7th!

Please note that **picture day has been changed to October 12th** (not Oct 5th).

Please see a great resource from District PAC for parents that is attached to this newsletter!

Our PAC is looking for **volunteers to help with hot lunch** on Tuesdays. If you can help, **please contact Megan Olin** at 250-567-0372.

Our PAC is also looking for help in running a **Hallowe'en carnival/ dance on the evening of Fri Oct 28th**. If you are willing to help (we need lots of help) please email Chantal Weber at:

chantal_fitzgerald@hotmail.com.

Please note that we are a **'peanut-free' and 'seweed-free' school** this year due to life-threatening airborne allergies. Thank you for not sending these items to school.

Thank you for all you do to support our school!

Mrs. Megan Boniface

Girl Guides is starting!



In order for Sparks and Brownie's to begin we need leaders. If you are interested please contact:

Nancy Lougheed 250-699-1010

Mouse Mountain PAC

Next PAC Meeting: October 5th @ 6:00 PM

This year, we will hold meetings at different locations.

Location for Oct 5th to be announced in the next newsletter. All parents and guardians welcome!



September 30th

**EVERY
CHILD
MATTERS**

The National Day
for Truth and
Reconciliation
and
Orange Shirt Day

Orange Shirt Day:

Communities coming together in a spirit of reconciliation and hope because every child matters.

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission residential school commemoration.

It grew out of Phyllis' story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.



SCHOOL

Please be advised that we are a **peanut-free school** this year. Please do not send peanut butter or products containing peanuts to school.

You can send peanut-butter substitutes such as wild butter or almond butter (please just help us by labelling it).

We also have an allergy to seaweed. Please **do not send seaweed** to school.



School Board Meeting
Monday, September 26, 2022
6:00 pm

School Board Office - Vanderhoof



Fraser Lake Minor Hockey
Skaters and Coaches wanted!

Fraser Lake Minor Hockey is looking for anyone wanting to play in our 22/23 season.

- Have not played before?
- First time players registration only \$100 for the season!

We are also looking for parents interested in coaching, Training available!

Contact: Ashley Bennett - flmhpresident@hotmail.com or 250 570 2137



Coming Events

Sept 23	District Planning Day - No School for Students
Sept 29	Orange Shirt Day Assembly & Activities
Sept 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation - No School
Oct 4	Crazy Hair Day!
Oct 7	Terry Fox Run
Oct 10	Thanksgiving Holiday (no school)
Oct 12	Picture Day (individual and class pictures)



BELL SCHEDULE

8:55 AM	MORNING BELL
10:30 AM	RECESS BELL
12:05 PM	OUTSIDE PLAY BELL
12:25 PM	LUNCH BELL
2:55 PM	END OF DAY BELL



**Babysitter's
Training
September 23**

Vanderhoof Campus

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Helpful Tips:

- ✓ Concerns are best addressed when small, don't wait.
- ✓ Write down your thoughts. Take your important points with you to help you stay focused.
 - Write your goal/thoughts at the top of your note page
- ✓ Write details down.
 - Record meeting date and attendees
 - Take note of the action plan and timeline
 - Ask for clarification if needed
- ✓ Approach meetings with mindset of having the common goal to solve the concern.
 - Avoid placing blame
 - Look for ways to work together
- ✓ Pause before posting on social media.

Need some guidance or support through the process? Want to know where to find a SD91 policy? Contact SD91 District PAC at: sd91dpac@gmail.com

SD 91 DPAC

Quick Guide for Parents:

Steps to Resolving Concerns

*Concerns can be something minor or even a matter that has become more complicated, but the steps remain the same.

"The Board of Education believes in the importance of employees, students, and parents working together in good faith to create a positive and inclusive school culture that inspires success for every student. The values of trust, respect, responsibility, and collaboration set the tone for how the entire school community works together to pursue common goals."

Excerpt from SD91 Policy No. 204.4

[Policy No. 204.4](#)

[Regulation for Policy 204.4](#)

1. Clearly identify the concern:
 - a. Try to be specific
 - b. Consider possible solutions
 - *Example: Here is the issue; This is the outcome I am looking for; How can we work together to solve this?
 - c. Review SD91 Policy 204.4 - Resolving Public Concerns Regarding Personnel, Programs or Procedures
2. Meet with the staff member:
 - *This will most often be the teacher but ask if you are unsure
 - a. E-mail is a great option to set day and time
 - b. If meeting in the office or classroom feels uncomfortable for you, ask to meet in the library or another quiet space
 - c. Ask a support person to attend if needed
 - *It's a good idea to advise the staff member if you're bringing others to a meeting
 - d. Post meeting follow up
 - *After the meeting, send an e-mail confirming what you heard, actions that will be taken, and a follow-up plan
3. If things don't get solved at the first step:
 - a. Repeat all the above with the school principal
4. If still not resolved:
 - a. Repeat all steps with the school supervisor
5. If all other steps have been unsuccessful:
 - a. Provide your concern in writing to the superintendent