

Feb 14th, 2024

Newsletter



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MOUSE MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY

Message from the Principal

Hadih and Hello!

Happy Valentine's day everyone! It was a busy day today with skating, Dakelh language and Valentine's activities in classes!

We are continuing with our skating at the arena. Next **Wednesday Feb 21st:** Miss. Driedger's class, Mrs. Schulz class and Miss. Anderson's class will be going skating.

This month is **kindness month** at Mouse Mountain School. We have a goal to fill our "kindness wall" in the hallway with kindness tickets. I know we can do it!

Please note that there is **no school on Monday February 19th for the Family Day holiday.**

On **February 23rd**, some of our grade 2 and 3 students will be participating in an **Indoor Soccer Playday** in Vanderhoof. Those students who are participating will be bringing home a permission letter.

February 28th is Pink Shirt Day and we will be having an **assembly in the gym at 9:45 am.** All families are

welcome to join us! Pink Shirt Day is a day to recognize the importance of being kind to one another and respecting diversity. Students are invited to wear something pink this day.

We also have a **PAC meeting at 6:15pm in the library on February 28th.** All parents and guardians are welcome!

Please note that starting on the next hot lunch order form, the cost of **hot lunch** will be increasing by \$1 due to the increased cost of food. If you would like your child to have a hot lunch on Tuesdays but the cost is a barrier, please contact the school.

Thanks for all you do to support our school!

Mrs. Megan Boniface



Coming Events

Feb 16	Earthquake Drill
Feb 19	Family Day Holiday (No School)
Feb 23	Grade 2/3 Indoor Soccer Tournament
Feb 28	Pink Shirt Day/ PAC Meeting 6:15 PM
Mar 13	Written Learning Updates sent home
Mar 20	Noon dismissal/ Talk About Learning Time 2:00—6:00 pm.
Mar 25—Apr 5	Spring Break (No School)



Tuesday Hot Lunch Menu

Feb 20 Pancakes & sausage



Proposed School Calendars

We are currently collecting public feedback regarding the following proposed school calendars:

- Amended 2025-2026 (with change to Spring Break 2026)
- Draft 2026-2027

Your feedback will be accepted via email to calendarfeedback@sd91.bc.ca until **4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 15th**. Check out the 'Calendars – Yearly' page at www.sd91.bc.ca/school-calendar to view the proposed calendars.



Please be advised that we are a seaweed-free school this year. Please **do not send seaweed** to school.



Proposed Policy Updates

Despite a temporary hold while we await further information from the Province regarding recently legislated cell phone restriction requirements, the School District 91 Policy Committee continues to accept public feedback regarding **Policy 604.1 – Digital Technology, Consent and Privacy.**

If adopted, this new Policy 604.1 will replace the following existing policies:

- * 502.6 – Use of Cell Phones and Digital Devices
- * 604.1 – Digital Technology
- * 604.2 – Student Photograph/Video/Audio and Media Consent
- * 604.4 – District Technology and Network Access

Members of the public are welcome to review and encouraged to provide feedback prior to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 12th [here](https://www.sd91.bc.ca) or on the 'Policies and Regulations' page at www.sd91.bc.ca.

Next PAC Meeting

February 28th @ 6:15 PM

Location: Mouse Mountain School Library

All parents and guardians welcome!



Skating Schedule

Mrs. Schulz's class, Mrs. Anderson's class, Miss. Driedger's class	Wed Feb 21, Wed Mar 6
Miss. Weber's class, Miss. Russell's class, and Mrs. Beier's class	Wed Feb 28, Wed Mar 13



School Board Meeting

Monday, March 18, 2024
6:00 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 prior to noon on meeting day 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 for the Teams link or you may request your electronic invitation prior to 4:00 pm on meeting day.

Contact:
Heather Silver
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
250-567-2284 ext. 9003
hsilver@sd91.bc.ca

Wed February 28th is...



StrongStart BC



a free early learning program
for preschoolers, together with
their parent/caregiver.



Weekly Schedule

Monday—9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Tuesday—12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Wednesday—12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Thursday—3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

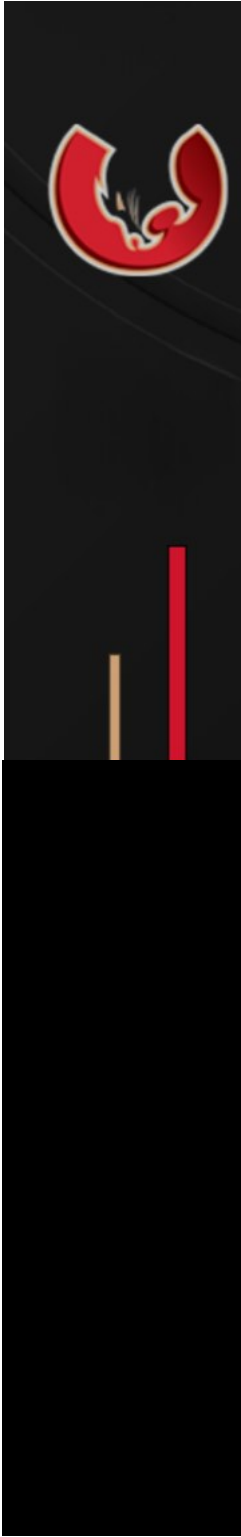
Friday—9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Newsletter Emailed

If you would like to have the Newsletter emailed to you each week please contact Bev at the office:

Phone: (250) 699-6627 Email: bstanga@sd91.bc.ca





Dear Mouse Families,

The Prince George Cougars Hockey Team has offered a discounted rate to our school for tickets to the February 19th game in Prince George. This is on the family day holiday (there is no school this day). If you are interested in purchasing tickets to this game at a discounted price, please follow the instructions below. The promo code is included in the instructions.

Best,

Mrs. Megan Boniface

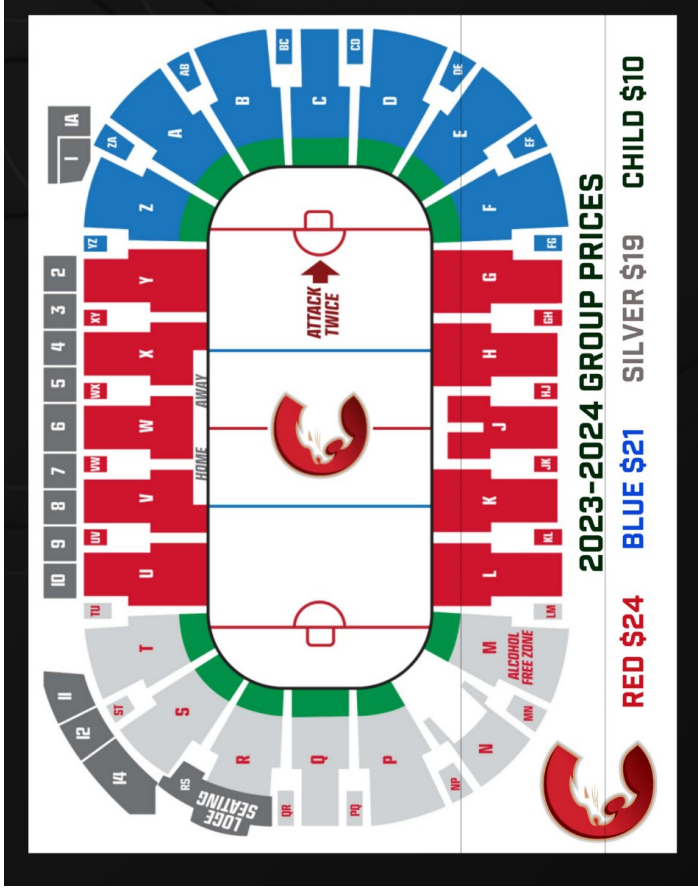
FEBRUARY 19TH, MONDAY @ 3PM

PRINCE GEORGE COUGARS

VS

SEATTLE THUNDERBIRDS

**TO BOOK YOUR SEATS AT THE DISCOUNTED RATE PLEASE GO TO [TICKETS.NORTH.CA](https://ticketsnorth.ca)—SINGLE
TICKET GAMES—FIND THE “PROMO” BUTTON NEXT TO “MY ACCOUNT” AND ENTER THE CODE
MOUSE AND CHOOSE YOUR SEATS!**

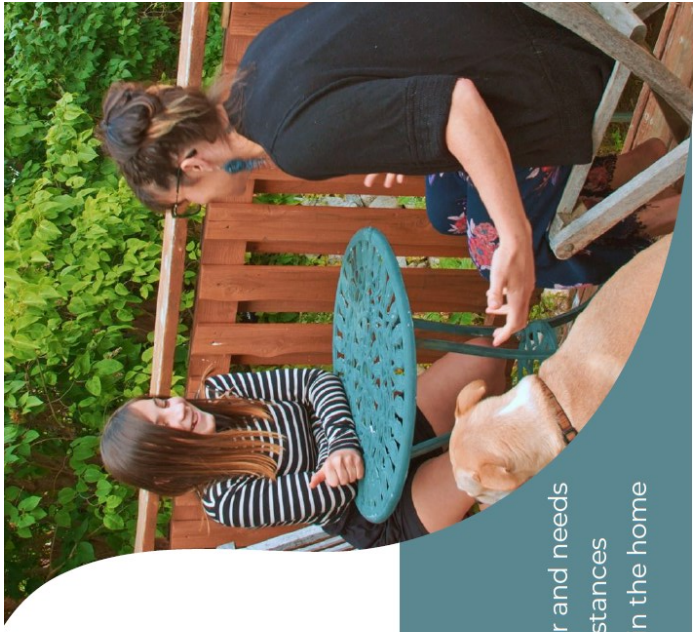


SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION

An Online Presentation for Parents

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Learn why children/teenagers are drawn to substances
- Understand what causes and maintains substance use disorder and needs
- Increase your child's ability to make positive choices about substances
- Acquire practical conversation tools for discussing substances in the home



Presentation Overview:

This presentation will focus on **tools and strategies** that you can use to speak to your children about substances in a way that encourages **positive decision-making** through a psychological lens. You will learn the causes of youth substance use and be introduced to a framework for **creating open communication** on this topic in your home.

There will be a focus on prevention and harm/risk mitigation in order to **empower** you to help your children think critically about their own behaviours, motivations, and choices.

In this session, you will be provided with the **specific language to use** when conversations arise about substances. There will also be opportunities to ask questions about the specific challenges you are facing with your children.

Online Session Information:

February 20th, 22nd or 28th

6pm-7:30 pm PST

Note. The same presentation will be delivered on each date

REGISTER



openp.co/Feb20

Presenter:

Dr Hayley Watson

*Clinical Psychologist & Founder
of Open Parachute*

*(PhD Clin Psych, MA Clin Psych, MA
Transpersonal Psych, PG Dip Psych, BA
Criminology)*



Dr Hayley Watson is a Clinical Psychologist from BC, specializing in children and adolescents with a PhD in school bullying interventions, along with four further academic degrees in the field of mental health.

She has been working with young people and their families globally for the past 20 years.

We acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

FREE FAMILY DAY FUN 2024

Monday February 19th, 11AM-3PM

White Swan Park Boat Launch



Come Celebrate Family Day At The Lake



❖ **Skating**
Skates will be available

❖ **Bonfire**

Wood donated by West Fraser—Fraser Lake Sawmills



❖ **FREE Hamburgers, Hotdogs, and Hot Chocolate**

For more information please call the Village Office 250.699.6257

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