



**HS
WORKS**

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Coming Up

Dec 13 ~ Pancake Breakfast

Dec 13 ~ Gr. 3/4/5 to Houston Pool

Dec 16 ~ PAC Meeting

Dec 18 ~ Pizza/Ice Cream

Dec 19 ~ Christmas Concert

Dec 20 ~ Hamburger/Mandarin Orange

Dec 20 ~ Jan. Friday Lunch Orders Due

Dec 20 ~ School Wide Buddy Read

Dec 21 ~ Winter Break Starts

Jan 6 ~ First Day Back

Jan 10 ~ Pizza Pop/Fresh Fruit

Mark your Calendar

Dec 23—Jan 3 Winter Break

Feb 17 Family Day

Feb 28 Pro D Day

Mar 23—Apr 3 Spring Break

April 10 Good Friday

April 13 Easter Monday

Apr 24 Pro D Day

May 15 Pro D Day

May 18 Victoria Day

June 25 Students leave at noon

DLES PAC EXECUTIVE 2019-2020

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Principal's Message

As we find ourselves with 2 weeks before Christmas, this seems the perfect opportunity to kick off our Decker Lake Kindness Week celebrations. Kindness is one of many virtues that keep us together. Kindness, honesty, and empathy are all critical

to our survival as a community. In the coming weeks, we at Decker will be recognizing the attributes that keep us together. We will be 'rebranding' our Decker Lake WORKs outline and reintroducing it so look forward to more information as it comes available.



Report Cards were sent home on Thursday, November 28. Please sign and return the envelope.



Brrrrr

Please remember to dress warmly for this chilly weather. Toques, mitts, winter coats and snow pants are a must for this weather.



Next Meeting

Tuesday, December 16

6:30 p.m.

Room 123

THE MIDDLE YEARS DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT (MDI) IS COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY!

School District 91 has partnered with the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) at the University of British Columbia to measure and promote children's social and emotional development, health, well-being, and assets through the Middle Year Development Instrument (MDI). The Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) is a self-report questionnaire that asks children in middle childhood about their thoughts, feelings and experiences. The MDI is the first survey of its kind to gather information about the lives of children both in school, in the home and in the community, from their own perspective. The survey questions align with the BC Ministry of Education's K-12 curriculum, which includes a focus on promoting children's personal and social competencies.

Grade **4 & 7** students are invited to complete the MDI during class time between:

January 15th and February 21st, 2020.

For more information and to view the questionnaires:

<http://earlylearning.ubc.ca/mdi/>

Parent FAQs:

<http://earlylearning.ubc.ca/mdi/parent-guardian-resources/>

If you don't want your child to participate please contact your child's teacher, fill out the withdrawal form at the end of the parent/guardian informed passive consent letter, or contact the MDI project staff at mdi@help.ubc.ca.



2019/20 Board Meeting

Dates and Locations

All meeting begins at 6:00 pm

Date	Location
Jan. 20, 2020	Video-Conference
Feb. 24, 2020	School Board Office
Mar. 16, 2020	School Board Office
April 20, 2020	School Board Office
May 25, 2020	School Board Office
June 15, 2020	Muriel Mould Neighbourhood Learning Centre

Video Conference Locations:

Vanderhoof School Board Office – Board Room

Fort St. James Fort St. James Secondary School – Video Conference Room

Fraser Lake Fraser Lake Elementary-Secondary School – Video Conference Room

Burns Lake Muriel Mould Neighbourhood Learning Centre – Meeting Room



GREAT OPPORTUNITY

*Do you enjoy working with children? Are you looking for part-time/full-time employment? **Our school district is looking to hire!** We need more people on the casual list for Learning Support Workers and Personal Attendants. The minimum qualifications is a grade 12 diploma and a favourable Criminal Records review.*

To apply for casual employment with the school district, you would need to email:

- a cover letter outlining interest, and
an updated resumé to cupejobs@sd91.bc.ca

*Following this successful submission, the school district would arrange a date for an interview and a basic skills test. At the time of the interview, they would request that you complete a **General CUPE Application Form** which can be found on the district website: www.sd91.bc.ca – click on Join Our Team (top right corner on home page), scroll down and click on Joining our Support Staff, and open the General Application Form.*

If you or someone you know is interested in joining our team, please send a cover page and resumé. For questions, please contact Barb McLean, HR Manager, bmclean@sd91.bc.ca

HONOUR ROLL WITH STRAIGHT Gs

Riley Belcourt
Davis Benson
Miles Nesbitt
Nicole Magel
Dara Skinner
Destiny Wooldridge
Rhys Griffin
Abby Harder
Sapphira Cuerrrier
Jasmyn Lambert
Kayley Traxler
Alyssa Wall
Caomi Benoit
Ryliegh Benson
Ava Miller
Blake Miller
Carys Griffin
Sage Rollert

STRAIGHT Gs

Julien Benoit
Gemma-Rose Jack
Nathaniel Lindberg
Coby McLellan
Ryder Shields
Alexa Bell
Tyson Oldfield
Tessa Green
Taylor McKee
Peyton Van Horn
Rylan Harder
Griffin Cant

First Term Honour Roll

9 MORE DAYS

The Christmas Family Basket Draw is coming up on Thursday, December 19 at the concert. The PAC has generously put together 3 Christmas baskets for the draw event. All students' names have been entered into the draw.

Food Bank Hamper Boxes will be available at our front entrance from now until the concert. Each time your child brings an item for the Food Bank Hamper, their name will be entered for the Family Basket Draw again. Students are reminded to come to the office to have their name entered each time they bring in food hamper items.

**HELP US HELP
OTHERS.**



Winter Warm Up

The students at Decker Lake will be collecting new Toques, Mitts or PJs to donate to less fortunate members of the Burns Lake Community over the Christmas Season.



Donations will be accepted Dec 11-19 and placed on our Christmas tree in the front entrance. Students who bring in donations will have their names placed in a prize draw!



Watch our tree get warmer as the mitts, toques, and PJs come in.



The Grade 6 and 7 Volleyball tournaments were held at DLES on Friday, December 6. We welcomed teams from WKE, Francois Lake, Morris William, and Grassy Plains. In the Gr. 6 tournament through round robin play Francois and Grassy landed the spots for the finals with Francois returning home with the trophy. The undefeated team from Grassy played against DLES 1 in the Gr. 7 tournament final. A very thrilled Grassy team returned home with the trophy. Special thanks to all the coaches for working with the teams. Everyone had a great day!

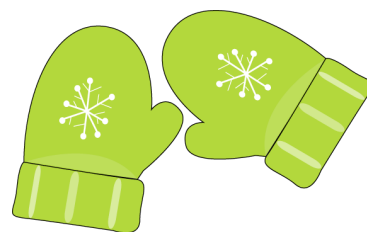
Grade 6

1st Francois
2nd Grassy
3rd WKE
4th DLES 1
Participation
DLES 2

Grade 7

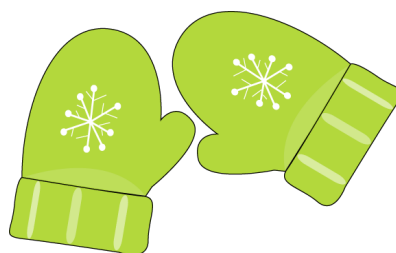
1st Grassy
2nd DLES 1
3rd DLES 2
Morris Williams
Participation
Francois
WKE

Happy New Year!



Back to school

Monday, Jan. 6



Thursday, December 19

1:00 PM

DLES Gymnasium

Everyone Welcome

Please Use the Gym Entrance