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June 6, 2025

Decker Lake Elementary School

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Principal’s Message

Dear Husky Families,

It’s hard to believe it is June already! There are many events happening throughout the month as well as several field trips planned. Please encourage your children to attend school regularly throughout the month as learning is still happening in classrooms right up until the last day of school.

Our beloved Mrs. Payne is retiring at the end of June. Mrs. Payne has been an integral part of the Decker Lake school community since 1997, and we will miss her immensely. Mrs. Payne has worked with every child who has attended our school over the years and holds a special place in our hearts. We will be hosting a special tea in her honour on June 11th starting @ 3:15 pm if you would like to pop by and wish her well (adults only).

We had our last fire drill Tuesday. We are required to have an emergency drill once a month throughout the school year. Drills help prepare us for emergencies and unexpected events.

Wishing everyone a wonderful month ahead.

With much gratitude,

Ms. Eleanor Giesbrecht

Principal - DLES

DLES Shares with Parents...

Mark your Calendar

June

- 6 Blue Jean Jacket Day
- 11 Art Show
8:15 am—4 pm
- 20 Dress Like An Animal Day
- 21 National Indigenous Day
- 24 Sports Meet
9 am-12 pm
- 25 Grade 7 Dinner
- 26 Assembly 9:30 am
- 26 Early dismissal
11:47 am
- 27 School is out for the summer!!



No School
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for the
summer!!

Friday,
June 27, 2025

Blue Jean Jacket Day



Friday
June 6th

An annual event started in Edmonton in 2023 to honour **missing, murdered, and exploited Indigenous men and boys**

MMEIMB

DLES Sports Meet

Tuesday, June 24th from 9AM-12PM

Everyone is welcome to come cheer on our Huskies as they enjoy participating in various activities.



ART SHOW June 11th

8:15AM-4:00PM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL DLES ART SHOW.
PROJECTS WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN OUR SCHOOL
GYM FOR ALL TO ENJOY.

Decker Lake Elementary
Home of the Huskies!



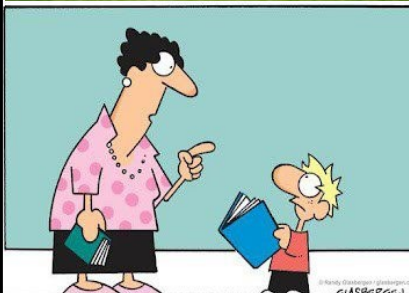
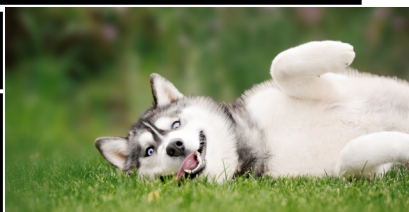
PAC Posts...

Decker Lake Elementary Parent Advisory Committee

Next meeting Date:

**Monday,
June 9, 2025
6 pm—8 pm**

@ DLES Library



"It's called 'reading'. It's how people
install new software into their brains"

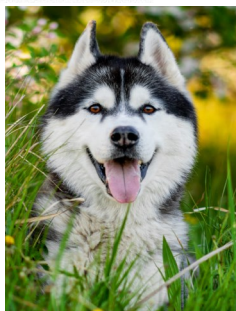


Decker Lake Elementary is on Instagram!!!

Our new Instagram account is:

dles_huskies

Our Instagram account is private. Followers
will need to be given access to join.



IMPORTANT!!!

Message from our Bus Department

June means that things both get more busy and in some ways, slow down. In transportation, we notice that there seem to be fewer riders, primarily in the secondary school ranks. Fewer riders often means fewer stops, which translates into bus drivers trying harder to not get too far ahead of schedule.

We've asked all of our drivers to do everything they can to maintain schedules, especially in the mornings since we have school staff schedules, buses making ferry runs, transfers with other buses, etc. If I may be so bold as to impose on you all and make a request:

Would parents please help us by being prepared to meet their younger children at bus stops as much as 5-10 minutes earlier than normal for the duration of the school term. We realize that it is an imposition for many households. Unfortunately, there is no way we can guarantee that the buses will not run early. However, we will try our hardest, as always. We appreciate your help in this matter a great deal.

Thank you!



Board Biz...



Proposed School Calendar

We are currently collecting public feedback regarding the
AMENDED DRAFT 2027-28 school calendar.

Your feedback will be accepted via email to calendarfeedback@sd91.bc.ca
until **4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 20, 2025**. Check out the 'Calendars – Yearly'
page at www.sd91.bc.ca/school-calendar to view the proposed calendars.



Proposed Policy Update

The following draft policies are currently open for public feedback
until **4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 13, 2025**.

[Policy 504.4 – Student Injuries](#)

Members of the public are welcome to review all the information, including
how to provide feedback, on the SD91 Policies and Regulations webpage at
www.sd91.bc.ca/policies-and-regulations.



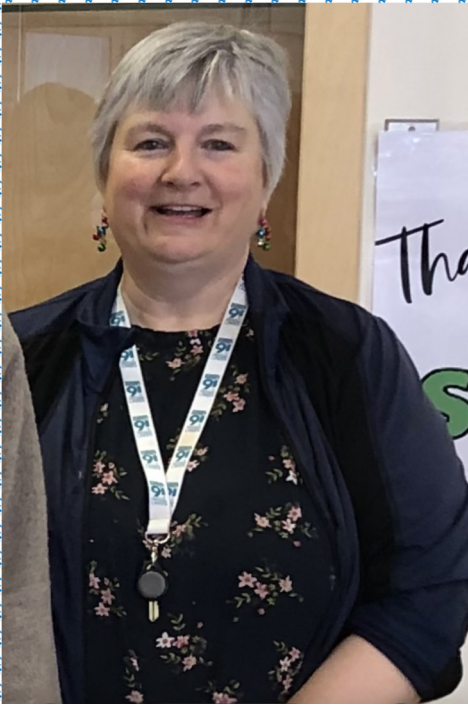
Superintendent's Report to the Board

Superintendent Anita McClinton presented her Monthly Report
at the Regular School Board Meeting on Monday,
May 26, 2025.

You may find it under the Latest News heading at
www.sd91.bc.ca.

Ms. England's Grade 4/5 class releases into Babine Lake their salmon fry that they have been raising!!





**We Are Having a
Special Retirement Tea for
Mrs. Payne!!!**

**Wednesday, June 11, 2025
@ 3:15 pm (for adults only)**

*Happy Retirement
Mrs. Payne!!!*

*As you close this chapter, may your
next one be filled with happiness,
health, and all the things you love!!*



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Starting as a Casual with SD91 from 1995-1997, she is finishing her career with us as our

Indigenous Education Advocate, Meal Worker, & Grade 3/4 Teacher.

We will be hosting a special tea in her honour on June 11th starting @ 3:15 pm if you would like to pop by and wish her well (adults only).

Fun, Friendships, & Kindness



We enjoyed having a little 4 legged visitor to our school!



May 2025

Dear students, parents, and guardians,

Northern Health will be sending letters this month about missing immunization information for school-aged children. These letters will show which vaccines each student has received, which ones are overdue, and which will be due in the next two years. Students can catch up on missing vaccines and update their records.

Students who go to school in-person or are home-schooled will receive these letters. Letters won't be sent to students who are up to date with their vaccines or to students in grades K, 1-3, 6, or 9, as their records were checked earlier this year. Students at First Nation Schools also won't get these letters.

If you do not receive a letter and are unsure about your child's immunization status, you can access immunization records at [HealthLink BC](#) or [BC Health Gateway](#).

The goal of these letters is to:

1. Help students catch up on missed vaccines to protect them from diseases.
2. Keep immunization records up to date in the provincial registry (Panorama) for better service and quick response in case of disease outbreaks.

Please watch for this letter. You can find more information on Northern Health's [Vaccine Status Reporting Regulation \(VSRR\) webpage](#).

Sincerely,

Dr. Jong Kim, MD, MSc, FRCPC
Chief Medical Health Officer
Northern Health

HealthLinkBC:



BC Health Gateway:



VSRR:



GRADE 7 SOCIAL

JUNE 6, 2025 7:00PM-8:30PM

THE SOCIAL WILL BE HELD AT THE WKE GYMNASIUM.

Prizes will be awarded!

Join us to meet your future classmates,
enjoy games and a dance!

No cost, just show up and have fun!

We are looking for parent volunteers to help with the event,
if your available please contact Lillian at
(250)617-1795

APPROVED 2025-26 DISTRICT CALENDAR

Approved by the Board of Education for School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes)
on Monday, March 18, 2024

www.sd91.bc.ca

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GOVERNMENT APPROVED HOLIDAYS:

July 1	Canada Day
August 4	BC Day
September 1	Labour Day
September 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
October 13	Thanksgiving
November 11	Remembrance Day
December 25	Christmas Day
January 1	New Years Day
February 16	Family Day
April 3	Good Friday
April 6	Easter Monday
May 18	Victoria Day

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START & END DAYS

September 2	Opening Day (morning only)
June 25	Closing Day (morning only)
June 26	Operational Day (no students)

EXTENDED BREAKS:

Summer	July 1 - August 29
Winter	December 22 - January 2
Spring	March 16 - March 27

TENTATIVE PRO-D & PLANNING DAYS

September 19	District Planning Day
October 24	Provincial Pro-D Day
November 21	Pro-D Day
February 6	Pro-D Day
April 24	Zone Pro-D Day
May 8	District Pro-D Day

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