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Principal's Message

Dear Husky Families,

Just like that... January is almost over. February will be a busy month with field trips, a Pro-D Day, Valentine's Day, the 100th Day of School, and Family Day. February is also traditionally a month to celebrate kindness. We are hoping to see many random acts of kindness from our Huskies throughout the month of February.

Informal Learning Updates went home last week. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out and contact your child's teacher.

Our grade 3-7 Huskies enjoyed a performance of Finding Nemo in Vanderhoof this week. Thank you to Mrs. Ahlbrand, Mrs. Benoit, Ms. England, Mrs. Payne, and Mrs. Stevenson for accompanying our Huskies on this wonderful field trip.

Our Kindergarten, grade 1/2 and 4/5 huskies enjoyed a trip to the Omineca Ski Club today. Thank you to Mrs. Blair, Ms. England, Mrs. Shelford-Schneider, Mrs. Way, and Ms. Woode for accompanying our Huskies on this fun field trip.

Huskies participating in the District Science Fair should have their project information given to their teacher by Monday, February 10th. Information packages are available in our school office.

"In a world where you can be anything... be kind!" ~ Clare Pooley

With much gratitude,

Ms. Eleanor Giesbrecht

Principal - DLES

DLES Shares with Parents...

Mark your Calendar

February

- 3 PAC Meeting
- 6 PAC Movie Night
- 7 **Pro-D Day—No School**
- 12 100th Day of School!!
- 14 Valentine's Day 
- 17 **Family Day—No School**
- 26 Pink Shirt Day 

March

- 7 Basketball Tournament 
- 12 Learning Updates go home
- 14 PAC School Dance
- 17 St. Patrick's Day 
- 19 Talk About Learning Interviews
- 20 Spring Concert!!! 
- March 24-April 4 Spring Break—No School**

No School

Friday, February 7, 2025
Pro-D Day

Home of the **HUSKIES**

Honesty
Unique
Successful
Kind
Inclusive
Encouraging
Supportive

No School

Monday,
February 17, 2025
Family Day

Please Note:

Change to School Calendar!!!

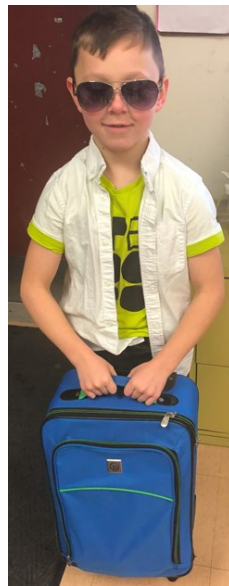
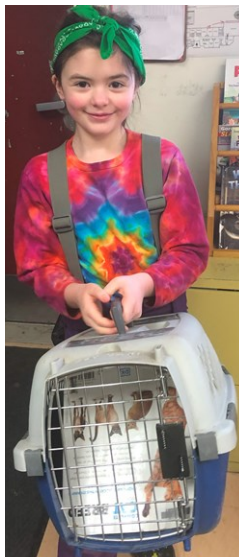
The **Pro-D Day** that was to be held Friday, April 25, 2025 has been changed to

Friday, April 11, 2025.



Our School Has Spirit!!!

80's Day & Anything BUT a Backpack Day



Finding Nemo Play @ NVSS!!



Science Fair News!!!

DLES will not be hosting a Science Fair this year.

Grade 4-7 students are still welcome to participate in the District Science Fair on Tuesday,
February 18th at FLESS in Fraser Lake.

Interested participants may pick up an information package from the school office.

Please let your child's teacher know by

Monday, February 10th if your child will be participating in the fair and they will register your child for you.

Parents will need to drive their child to the fair and accompany and provide supervision for their child at FLESS for the entire day.

Your child's project will need to be completed at home but some guidance from your child's teacher may be given, as well as work time in the homework club at lunchtime.

Parents may purchase a presentation board from the school for \$ 12.00. Boards cannot be transported on the bus. Please plan to pick up the board if you are purchasing one from the school.





Student Learning Survey 2024/2025

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Early in **2025** the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 4 & 7, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/student-learning-survey>. Any computer or mobile device with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link and by clicking on Take the Survey. On the login page, click on the Parents icon, and then select the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

The e-survey site will be open until May 2, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 250-698-7301.

SPRING CONCERT!!!

March 20, 2025, 1 pm

All Welcome!!!

There were so many great reviews from the community, students and staff about our Christmas Concert, that we have decided to put on a Spring Concert!!



PAC Posts...

DLES PAC

Upcoming Events!!

Thursday, February 6

Movie Night



Friday, March 14

School Dance



Decker Lake

Elementary

Parent Advisory

Committee

Next meeting Date:

**Monday,
February 3, 2025
6 pm—8 pm**



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.

Board Biz...



Superintendent's Report to the Board

Interim Superintendent Mike Skinner presented the 2024-25 Strategic Plan Mid-Year Update at the Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, January 20, 2025.

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



2024-25 Amended School Calendar

At its Regular Meeting on Monday, January 20, 2025, the SD91 Board of Education approved the following change to the 2024-25 school calendar:

The April 2025 professional development day has been moved from Friday, April 25 to **FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025**.

You may view the District's approved yearly school calendars under the About Us tab at www.sd91.bc.ca.