



HUSKIES

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Decker Lake Elementary School

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Principal's Message

Just four weeks ago, the Decker Lake Huskies started attending full-time. During this time, they have completed important district assessments for literacy and numeracy. School and class data sets allow us to review the instructional needs of the learners and to plan opportunities to close these learning gaps so all students can experience high levels of success in reading, writing, and numeracy.

With Parent/Teacher Interviews scheduled to take place on October 21st, parents will have the opportunity to ask about your child's progress in these key areas. Because of COVID-19, the preferred method for these interviews will be by phone but we are accepting in-person appointments if required. The school office hours are from 8:30 AM to 3:15 PM and Mrs. Vossen would be happy to book a time for you.

Wishing you and your family continued good health!

Respectfully,
Mrs. Kelemen,
Principal

Decker Lake extends a grateful thanks to
the Griffin family
for donating some sandbox toys!

Mark your Calendar

October

- 12 Thanksgiving Day—No School
- 14 Hot Lunch
- 19 **Photo Retakes**
- 19-22 Book Fair
- 20 Dress Up Like a Book Character Day
- 21 Parent Teacher Interviews
- 23 **Pro D Day—No School**
- 26 Lock Down Drill 11AM
- 27 National School Library Day
- 27 PAC Meeting 6:30 PM
- 28 Hot Lunch

★ Be a Reading Star! ★

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Reading helps us become lifelong learners and opens up a whole world of possibilities for all of us! At Decker Lake Elementary School, we are encouraging students to read at home through a reading club! The theme is "Be a Reading Star". The idea is that students read—or are read to—at home for 15 minutes per day. The parent/guardian will fill in the reading club sheet (just once per day, please and thank you!) and the child will return the full sheet to the Library Learning Commons on Fridays at recess. The child's name will be added to the 'Reading Stars' bulletin board in the Library Learning Commons, and they can also select a prize. They then bring home another sheet for the next reading period. Thank you to the PAC for generously funding this program!

Thank you for your support of literacy.

Happy Reading!!!

Mrs. Trottier
Teacher-Librarian

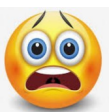
REMINDER

Please keep stuffed animals and toys at home. If you are a Special Helper, you can take a photo of your special object and share the photo with the class.

Want to be "in the Know" about Decker Lake School? Check out our school website at Decker.sd91.bc.ca or follow [deckerlakehuskies](https://www.instagram.com/deckerlakehuskies) on Instagram for all the latest school updates!



Taking your child off the bus after school? Please let the office know before busses come! Missing children are a serious concern.



Health and Wellness...and Other Business

At the beginning of this year, students were given their Student Information Verification forms. We need to have these forms back with any changes to contacts, phone numbers, and addresses, signed and dated (so we know they are for this year!) as soon as possible. COVID-19 has made these forms even more important than ever so we can ensure your child has the care they need as soon as possible if they get sick. Please send your child's form back, signed and dated with any changes if needed, as soon as possible.

Speaking of forms...Did you know that our school district is required to have a copy of your child's birth certificate and a copy of either your child's Care Card or BC Services Card? Over the year, Mrs. Vossen will be checking your student's file to see if either of those copies are missing. If you receive a note from the school about missing documentation, please bring the originals in as soon as possible. If you know you haven't presented an original birth certificate or BC Services Card to the school when registering your child, please bring them by, and we will photocopy them for your student's file.

ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT PARENTS/GUARDIANS

We are now one month into the school year and like all things, some daily practices need reminders. We are noticing that some high school students are either not wearing their masks on busses or not wearing them for the entire duration of their bus ride. We are asking parents/guardians of high schoolers to please remind their children that these are guidelines that we are being asked to follow as a school district to ensure that we are doing all that we can to keep our schools, our students and our staff safe. We look forward to putting COVID behind us but for now, it is important that we all do our part. THANK YOU FOR BEING AN IMPORTANT PARTNER IN KEEPING US ALL SAFE!

Mr. Gauthier
Director of Instruction



School Board Meeting Monday, October 19, 2020 6:00 pm

Location: Integris Community Theatre
At Nechako Valley Secondary School, Vanderhoof

Public Attendance Notice:

***Due to current public health and safety requirements, we are requesting that members of the public interested in attending this meeting, contact Tracy Austin at taustin@sd91.bc.ca or 250-567-2284 prior to the meeting so that seating arrangements for appropriate physical distancing can be made.

Photo Retakes...
Monday, October 19, 2020

Next DLES PAC Meeting is
scheduled for October 27,
2020, at 6:30 PM at DLES.
Please use the main door.

Scholastic Book Fair!

The Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled to take place October 19 to 22nd. Decker Lake School is in need of parent volunteers to help run the book fair. If you think you may be able to spare a bit of time to help, please call the office and let us know. Your help makes this recurring event a real success!

Due to the need to limit students in the library for book fair, I have made a few changes. Open hours are as follows:

Monday, Oct 19 Students will access the book fair during the day with their class.

Tuesday, Oct 20 Open at recess and lunch for Frog Clan

Wednesday, Oct 21 Open at recess and lunch for Bear Clan

Thursday, Oct 22 Open at recess and lunch for Caribou Clan

Thanks!
Mrs. Trottier

And the last word goes to:

Ms. King and Lena Mackereth!

