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Decker Lake Elementary School

Principal’s Message

Dear Husky Families,

Welcome back everyone! I hope everyone had a wonderful Spring Break. Huskies are glad to be back at school and are settling into classroom routines once again. Our school yard is snow free and Huskies have been enjoying our forts, outdoor sports equipment and playing on our beautiful playground during their breaks.

Grade 4 and 7 Huskies have completed an online survey for the Ministry of Education. Parents are welcome to complete this survey as well at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm. Click on the parent’s icon for direct access.

Welcome back Ms. Lee! Ms. Lee has been on maternity leave since last spring and is back in her role as our Inclusive Education and prep relief teacher.

We have several short weeks in April as Friday, April 11th is a Pro-D Day and Easter is next weekend.

Wishing everyone a Happy Spring!

With much gratitude,
Ms. Eleanor Giesbrecht
Principal - DLES

DLES Shares with Parents...

Mark your Calendar	
<u>April</u>	
11	Pro-D Day— No School
14	PAC Meeting 6 pm- 8pm
17	PAC School Dance
18	Good Friday—No School
20	Easter
21	Easter Monday—No School
25	Dress like a Celebrity/ Sports Person Day
<u>May</u>	
5	Wear Red Day
9	Pro-D Day—No School
16	House Team Colour Day (Share the Love Day)
16	Jump Rope for Heart
19	Victoria Day— No School

Pro-D
No School
Friday, April 11, 2025

No School
GOOD FRIDAY
Friday, April 18, 2025

EASTER
Sunday, April 20, 2025

No School
EASTER MONDAY
Monday, April 21, 2025

Happy Easter

April is Here!!!



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Together we Shine



April	
Sikh Heritage Month	A month to recognize and highlight the important contributions that Sikh communities have made and continue to make to Canada’s social, economic, political, and cultural heritage. Sikhism The Sikh faith was founded by Guru Nanak (1469-1539) and shaped by his nine successors in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries in South Asia. Sikhism is one of the world’s youngest religions being founded just over 500 years ago. Despite being so young, it is the fifth largest religion in the world with over 30 million followers.
For educators	https://www.earlyconcepts.ca/copy-of-the-patka-box https://www.sikhheritagebc.ca/resources
April 7 World Health Day	A UN day created to highlight issues of health across the globe. The theme for 2025 is “Health Beginnings, Hopeful Futures” The campaign will urge governments and the health community to ramp up efforts to end preventable maternal and newborn deaths, and to prioritize women’s longer-term health and well-being. 
April 11 Day of Silence	The GLSEN Day of Silence is a national student-led demonstration where 2SLGBTQ+ students and allies all around the country—and the world—take a vow of silence to protest the harmful effects of harassment and discrimination of 2SLGBTQ+ people in schools.
April 14 International Day of Pink	An opportunity to renew our commitment to diversity and inclusion by combating all forms of discrimination that fuel bullying and violence, which many 2SLGBTQ+ youth continue to face. 
Other social media images	https://www.dayofpink.org/en/share
April 20 Easter	Easter is a Christian festival that takes place in Spring annually. It is a time for Christians to remember the sacrifice Jesus (the son of God) made when he died for their sins, as well as a celebration of his resurrection on Easter Sunday. It follows Lent, a period of fasting and penance.





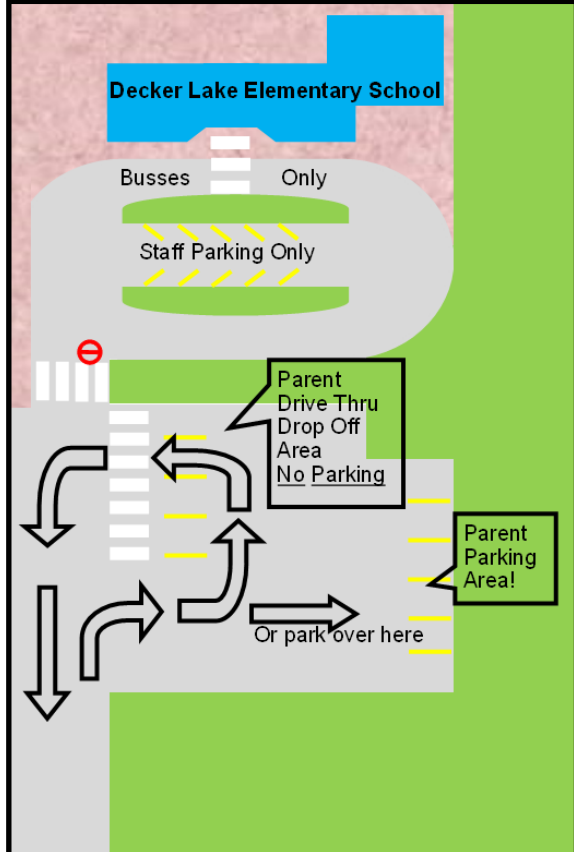
Congratulations!

Congratulations Adley!!!

**Adley Garneau won
the SD91 Feeding
Futures Logo Design
Contest.**

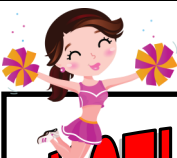
*Her logo will be
used on SD91
Feeding Futures
resources &
materials such as
aprons, etc. within
School District 91!!*

Congratulations!



Attention Parents, Guardians & Caregivers!!!

When dropping off your children, please
follow the below diagram for their safety!
Have your child cross at the crosswalk
after checking both ways, or walk with
them to the school entrance.



ANOTHER BIG THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to the **DLES PAC** for donating the funds to
purchase a storage sea-can for our school!!!



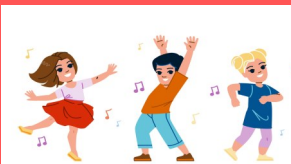
PAC Posts...

Decker Lake
Elementary
Parent Advisory
Committee

Next meeting Date:
**Monday,
April 14, 2025
6 pm—8 pm
@ DLES Library**

PAC School Dance

**Thursday,
April 17, 2025**



School Board Meeting
Monday, April 28, 2025
6:00 pm

Location TBD
Fraser Lake, 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:
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2025-26 Budget Engagement Opportunities



Public Online Survey
Available March 12 –
April 9, 2025

Click **HERE** to access
the survey



Regular Board Meeting – Budgeting Presentation
Monday, April 28, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

Fraser Lake Professional Building, 298 McMillan Avenue, Fraser Lake, BC
Online Option available– Link on SD91 Website

Provide feedback via email to budgetfeedback@sd91.bc.ca.

Regular Board Meeting – First Presentation of the 2025-2026
Annual Budget
Monday, May 26, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

School Board Office, 153 E. Connaught Street, Vanderhoof, BC
Online Option available– Link on SD91 Website

Provide feedback via email to budgetfeedback@sd91.bc.ca.

Regular Board Meeting – Final Budget Presentation and Board Approval
Monday, June 23, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

Muriel Mould Neighbourhood Learning Centre, 270 – 9th Avenue, Burns Lake, BC
Online Option available– Link on SD91 Website

The 2025-2026 Annual Budget will be presented to the Board of Education for
approval.

www.sd91.bc.ca

Proposed School Calendar

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

Feedback will be accepted via email to calendarfeedback@sd91.bc.ca
0 p.m. on Friday, April 25, 2025. Check out the 'Calendars – Yearly'
www.sd91.bc.ca/school-calendar to view the proposed calendars.



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.

Proud to be McLeod Productions presents our 16th annual production



Annie Jr. 2025

May 1st, 2nd & 3rd
W.L. McLeod Gymnasium

Showtimes
Thursday Friday
Saturday
7pm
Saturday Matinee
1pm

Tickets
\$5 each or
\$20 for a family of 4 or more

Tickets are available for purchase at Wallace Studios, Quilters Corner & W.L. McLeod Office & at the Door. Please purchase "family of 4 or more" tickets at the School Office.
Cash Only Please

Book by Music by Lyrics by Thomas Meehan Charles Strouse Martin Charnin
Original Broadway Production Directed by Martin Charnin
Called on "Little Captain Annie" by permission of Island Content Agency, LLC. Annie Jr. is presented through special arrangement with
and all authorized materials are supplied by
Music Theatre International, New York, NY
(212) 543-8888 mtishows.com



Welcome Back Stacey Lee!!!

Ms. Lee has returned from maternity leave to her Resource Teacher/ Prep Relief/ Social Studies Teacher position!!





Presenting Partner




Support heart health with Jump Rope for Heart

Our school is participating in Jump Rope for Heart – a fundraiser that will encourage our students to get active, build healthy habits and give back.

Here's why we're participating

1. Money raised by our school helps Heart & Stroke drive important heart and brain research that will save lives, prevent heart disease and stroke and support families living with these conditions.
2. Jump is an inclusive event for all abilities to get kids moving and help them discover new and exciting ways to get active.
3. Students learn the EASY Healthy Habits that they can use to keep their hearts and brains healthy and help reduce their risk of developing heart disease and stroke later in life.
4. Jump gives back! Students can earn thank you gift cards from Indigo, Amazon or Walmart based on their fundraising level as a heartfelt thank you for their hard work.

How does Jump Rope for Heart work?

At school:

- Starting today, we'll be practicing some awesome skipping and heart-pumping activities!
- We'll be learning about Heart & Stroke's Easy Healthy Habits to keep our hearts and brains strong and healthy to help prevent heart disease and stroke
- It all leads up to our Jump Event Day, where we'll celebrate what we've learned and the funds we've raised with fun jump rope stations, games, activities, and more. It's going to be a blast!

At home:

- You can help support lifesaving research by collecting donations from family and friends.
- There is no cost to participate.
- Fundraising starts now until our Jump Event Day
- Jump Rope for Heart uses an online fundraising platform. To register, create a personalized fundraising page for your child using the link below. When you register, you'll also get:
 - o Helpful fundraising tips and ideas
 - o Information and tools about the EASY Healthy Habits
 - o Insights into Heart & Stroke's life-saving work

Our Jump Event Day is:
Friday May 16, 2025

To learn more about Jump Rope for Heart visit jumpropeforheart.ca

Register Now!
Decker Lake Elementary School - Burns Lake
or visit jumpropeforheart.ca/registration and search for your school



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