

Newsletter

October 13, 2021



W.E. Graham Community School

Fall is coming!

How quickly our weather is changing! The drive along the valley is spectacular with all of the leaves changing their colours. Things will be changing at the school too. We are welcoming Mr. Boyes to our newly opened Grade 4/5/6 Classroom. He has worked with this class most of September, and now it's official.

Changes in behaviour will be noticeable as well. September can be a month for learning about a new school, making new friends and figuring out what behaviour expectations are. October is a month to start focusing on learning, positive social connections, and behaviour. We are looking forward to getting lots of work done in our classrooms.

PJ and Crazy Hair Day!

Tomorrow, **Thursday, October 14th**... We're doing a PJ day and combining it with a Crazy Hair day. You don't have to plan much....just wear your jammies...and fancy up your hair.! Staff are very worried about what Mr. Hurley will look like.

Hallowe'en: We will be having a Hallowe'en costume day on Friday, Oct 29th. Please send your costumes to school so we can change into them at recess. Then we'll have our own classroom parties in the afternoon.

Please help us by keeping weapons at home, and reminding your children that we have

little children in Kindergarten, so we don't need gory scary costumes at school.

Also Note that Monday, November 1st is a ProD day also. That means you parents will have to deal with the first day of candy consumption control!

Absences:

If your child is going to be absent, please use our Website to let us know:

Weg.sd8.bc.ca

Then there's a tab along the top that says "REPORT ABSENCE"

Click there and it takes you to a form that you fill out and it gets emailed to Shannon!

VWP:

Our Grade 9's and 10's were able to take their first outdoor trip to Christina Lake to work on their biking skills. They had to change plans on a moments notice The weather changed their planned hike at



Retallak to Christina Lake biking. The class and their parents all pulled it together. Well done!

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OELP:

Our OELP group has many new faces. It is a Grade 7/8 group. They have already had their first camping out-trip that included Zip-Lining at Kokanee!

Grade 4/5/6 – Mr. Boyes has been working to settle and organize this new class. They did some theme work with “Call of the Wild”.

WILD:

Madame Gardner’s WILD class is heading out to the Snk’mip Marsh just south of Hills (north end of Slocan Lake). There is also supposed to be a biologist meeting them there to explain the restoration project and get our class to help plant native grass seed.

POP:

Madame Rexin’s POP class has been studying apples. They had a taste test and an apple hunt out in the community. They have been learning about parts of themselves that come to school vs. parts they leave at home and how this connects to the Indigenous children who had to leave parts of themselves behind when leaving to residential school. They have been out hiking, observing and making memories and drawings of things they appreciate outside. They have been patterning and sorting in math. They have been doing all things "balls" in the gym! Ball skills, ball games, balls,balls, balls! In Language they are becoming better readers and writers.

REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS:

- ❖ **School Supply fees (\$40) for Kindergarten to Grade 6 are due and payable.**
- **OELP and VWP fees of \$50 are now due and payable.**
- **You can use your debit and credit card at the school now!**

REMINDERS OF PRO D DAYS

- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2021
- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2021

No school on these days!

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