



The Eagle Gazette

The William Konkin Elementary School Newsletter



Keeping our school community informed

Principal's Message...

Hadeeh, Bienvenue, and Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year.

School pictures are this Friday, September 15th starting right at 9:00 so it is an extra important day to be on time for school. The chart included this month demonstrates the impact of school absences on learner achievement. If learners are well enough to attend, we want them here as much as possible, so we can help them soar.

I sent out a school messenger email last week introducing our new teachers at WKE. We are so fortunate to have found such skilled and caring educators to work with our sweet and smart little Eagles.

We invite you to attend our annual open house, next Thursday, September 21st from 5:00 - 6:00 pm. From 5:00 - 5:30 there will be a scavenger hunt around the school for parents and learners to complete together. Completed forms will be entered into a prize draw. From 5:30 - 6:00 we will meet in the school gym for food and introductions of the school leaders and teachers.

There will be no school on Friday, September 22nd for our annual Indigenous Conference Day for all the staff in the district.

Monday, September 25th - Friday, September 29th we will acknowledge Orange Shirt Week. As a school community, we want to talk about Orange Shirt Day for more than just a day so we use the last week of September to discuss the lasting impact of residential schools and National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in a way that is age-appropriate for each class. Please note that the school district is closed on Monday, October 2nd to mark this important National Awareness Day so there are no classes that day.

Lastly, I have sent home a paper copy of our parking lot safety expectations. Please ensure that learners are not walking through areas of the parking lot that are unsafe and that you are not using driving and bus lanes for drop off. Students are asked to use the cross walks on either end of the parking lot and walk up the sidewalks into the building to reduce the risk of being hit by a car. A map is on the back of the notice that was sent home and I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Mesiya, Merci, and Thank you for supporting WKE Eagles!

Go Ts'eelhben, Go!

Ms. Karie Evans, Principal

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New Teachers At WKE

Ms. Arora—Inclusive Ed

Ms. Bigler—Grade 3/4

Ms. Nicholas—Grade 4/5

Ms. Pelletier—Grade 5/6 until Mr. Farahbakhsh arrives.

Ms. Profili—Grade K/1

Mr. Hutton—Grade 6/7

Welcome to WKE!



Counsellors at WKE

Trevor Moyah and Joanna Cardinal, two of our SD#91 district counsellors, will be working in our school this year. At this time, Trevor will be coming to WKE on Thursdays and Fridays, and Joanna will be here on Mondays. Trevor and Joanna will be working alongside staff and and students in the school in a variety of ways. These may include, helping to facilitate programs in the classroom, working with small groups on topics such as dealing with anxiety or building healthy relationships, as well as individual counselling. If you have any questions or concerns or would like your child to be able to access support through our school counsellor, please contact Karie Evans at 250-692-3146.

In addition, if you are looking for longer-term individual support for your child, please contact the appropriate community agency(s) below:

Carrier Sekani Family Services 250-692-2387

New Vision Wellness Center 250-692-3558

The SD#91 Counselling Team also has a website with resources for students and their families available at <https://nechakowellness.wixsite.com/sd-91-counselling>

- Important Dates:**
- September 5—First day back to school / early dismissal at 11:53**
 - September 8—Norman Foote Performance**
 - September 15—Picture Day**
 - September 18—Cops For Cancer 9:15 AM**
 - September 20—Terry Fox Run 2 PM**
 - September 21—Open House 5:00—6:00 PM**
 - September 22—District Planning Day / No school for students.**
 - September 25th to 29th Orange Shirt Week**
 - September 25—School Board Meeting 6PM in Vanderhoof School Board Office**

PAC Meeting and Message

Please join us for PAC meetings here at WKE. Our first meeting of the year will be announced.



September 2023

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3	4	5 First day back to school	6	7	8 Norman Foote Performance	9
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17	18 Cops For Cancer	19	20 Terry Fox Run	21 Open House 5-6PM	22 No school	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Contact Us

Call us at 250-692-3146

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Vice Principal—Miriah Donnelly

Administrative Assistant—Nelia Vieira