



Bouchie Lake
Elementary School

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November 2025 Newsletter

Hello Bouchie Lake Families!!

- ◇ Breakfast Program Drop-In 7:30 to 8:00 am– Entrance is now at the ramp by gym doors.
- ◇ Remembrance Day Assembly Nov 10 11:00 AM at Bouchie Lake Cenotaph (Weather Permitting) Everyone is welcome to attend!
- ◇ Library update: The Scholastic book fair will not happen in November, it will be held in April. We are trying to see if we can involve our local book store to host a pop up fair! Library will have a reorganization change of the fiction collection by genre. It will make it easier for students to find the type of stories they like to read.
- ◇ Parent/teacher conferences will be Nov 5 & 6– Early Dismissal @ 11:23 am

Parking and Student Drop off / Pick up

Please do not stop or park in the bus lane, Student drop off is at the far end of the parking lot; closest to the playground.



**Thank you for your
cooperation!**

**Remembrance Day
Nov 11th, 2025**



NO SCHOOL

Bell Schedule

8:10	First Bell Rings
8:15	Classes Begin
10:00	Recess Begins
10:15	Recess Ends
11:45	Lunch Begins (Play Time)
12:20	Lunchtime
12:40	Warning Bell
12:44	Afternoon Classes Begin
2:23	Dismissal

STUDENT ABSENCES

It is important to contact the school in the event your student will be absent or late. The school remains open on days when the school buses are cancelled, **but please let us know if your child will be staying home due to buses being cancelled.**

Student absences can be reported three ways: call the school 250-249-5913, email the school at bouchielake@sd28.bc.ca, or complete the online form at: <https://bouchielake.sd28.bc.ca/>

LOST & FOUND





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6	27	28	29	30 <i>Pajama Day & Treat Trolley</i>	31 <i>Halloween</i> 	1
Arlene Horutko (Carrier Language, Culture, and History) 						
	3	4 <i>Lock down Drill</i>	5 <i>Early Dismissal—Parent/Teacher interviews.</i>	6 <i>Early Dismissal—Parent/Teacher interviews.</i>	7 <i>Hot lunch</i> 	8 <i>Indigenous Veterans Day</i>
	10 <i>Remembrance Assembly</i>	11  <i>Remembrance Day</i>	12	13 <i>PAC meeting @ 3:30</i>	14	15
6	17	18	19	20 <i>Hot Lunch</i>  <i>Chicken Nuggets</i> <i>Gr. 6 immunizations</i>	21	22
3	24	25	26	27 <i>Pajama Day & Treat Trolley</i>	28 <i>NI Day</i> <i>No School</i>	29
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Important Upcoming Dates

- ◊ Christmas Concert : December 11 @ 1
- ◊ Report Cards go home : December 18
- ◊ PJ Day & Treat Trolley: Dec 19
- ◊ Winter Break: December 22 to Jan 2, 2026

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Monthly Reminders



FALL WEATHER: Please remember to dress your child(ren) for the appropriate weather: jackets are encouraged as we will be doing daily outdoor activities! It is helpful if names are on boots, coats, and other clothing items. Please ensure your child (ren) are provided with extra pairs of pants, and socks.

ATTENTION PARENTS AND VISITORS: Our doors are open between 8:00am and 3:30pm but all parents and visitors are asked to report to the office when they come to the school. It is important for safety reasons that we know who is in the school at all times. Students must be checked out if they are leaving early.

DISTRICT LUNCH PROGRAM: The District Lunch Program is available for students in families experiencing financial hardship. Please come to the office and fill out a form if you wish your child to be on the district lunch program.

BREAKFAST CLUB: The Bouchie Lake Breakfast Club is available in the Gym between 7:30 am and 8am. We encourage students to be here at 7:30am to get something to eat before it's all gone. No sign up required.

NEW WEBSITE: Please check out our new website for news about our school! You will find our Events Calendar, Announcements, News Stories, Transportation Information, School Supply lists and much more! <https://bouchielake.sd28.bc.ca/>

ALLERGIES: Bouchie is nut aware (all nuts). All School District #28 Schools are Scent and Fragrance free Environments.

HEALTH & WELLNESS: Reminder to parents/guardians to please do a health check of your student before sending them to school if they are feeling unwell. Please have them stay home to rest and get better before returning to school.

Visit our website for current announcements and upcoming events!

<https://bouchielake.sd28.bc.ca/>



School Code of Conduct

ROLES AND RULES

Personal Digital Devices RULES <i>(includes communication devices)</i>	TEACHER ROLE:
○ STEP 1: Hand into office for 1 day ○ STEP 2: Device to office and parent may need to pick it up. Devices will be returned at the end of the day. ○ STEP 3: Device Plan - device into the vault each morning and picked up at the end of the day (created with student, family, Principals; defined duration) REFUSAL = move to step 3, then to In-School Suspension	STEP 1: Device collected – sent to office to be picked up at end of the day by student. Teacher/Principal will contact parent or guardian. <i>Seal envelope with device in (time, teacher, reason if needed)</i> STEP 2: Device collected – sent to office to be picked up by family – P/VP contact home <i>Seal envelope with phone in (time, teacher, reason if needed)</i> STEP 3: Device handed in each morning, picked up at end of the day – P/VP tracks plans

**** Smart watches can remain with the student until proven to be used as a communication device, at which time it will be considered as above.****

Safety Drills

Fire

Fire drills are practiced regularly at all schools. These are done to ensure all staff and students are familiar with the procedure and evacuation routes in the event that we need to evacuate the school. The goal is to have the proper actions be an automatic response so that in the unlikely event the fire alarm sounds everyone can evacuate the building safely.



Hold and Secure and Lock Down

A hold and secure event happens when there is the possibility that someone is in the vicinity that poses a possible risk to the school community. During a hold and secure students remain in the classrooms and continue with their learning activities until the threat risk has cleared.

A lock down is a higher level threat in which we need to have the students remain very quiet in their classrooms. It is used in the event of an internal threat. It is a very rare occurrence that this is actually used, however it is one of the drills we will be practicing. A email will be sent home on the day we have this drill so that you are aware. It can be a difficult/traumatic drill for some students so we will prepare them ahead of time in order to alleviate the worry and stress for our students.

Indigenous News

Dahooja:

I'm hoping to share an Indigenous traditional recipe every month. If you would like to share your home recipes, please send them to the school.

Thank you,

Jody Baxter, IES



Home work club will be
Thursdays at Lunch in the
IESW Room.

Remember our fallen Brothers
and Sisters

November 8 - National Indigenous Veterans Day

November 10 - 16 : Rock your Mocs

November 16 - Louis Riel Day

December 21 - Winter Solstice

Indigenous Veteran's Day

National Indigenous Veterans Day is a memorial day observed in Canada in recognition of aboriginal contributions to military service, particularly in the First and Second World Wars and the Korean War.

It occurs annually on 8 November. The day was first commemorated in 1994



William Lee Stevens, a Métis Veteran who served in World War 2.

He enlisted in the military at 17, where he was sent to Holland to fight in the battle of Hessler Field. He would return as a Hero and a sole survivor of his platoon.

With his scarifies came injuries that would affect his way of life, however he was able to start a family and pass along his memories.

William lived to be 101 and passed in 2023.

Thank you for Service!



Overnight Oats

INGREDIENTS:

- ☐ 1 cup Milk or milk alternative, fortified
- ☐ 3/4 cup Greek yogurt (substitute with 1/4 cup chia seeds)
- ☐ 2/3 cup Old fashioned, large flake rolled oats
- ☐ 1/2 tsp Cinnamon (option to substitute nutmeg)
- ☐ 1 cup Berries, fresh or frozen
- ☐ 1/2 tsp Nuts or seeds (hemp, chia, flax)



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In a medium bowl, mix milk or milk alternative, yogurt (or chia seeds), oats, and cinnamon (or nutmeg).
2. Add berries, if frozen.
3. Stir well, cover, and place in refrigerator overnight.
4. Top with nuts or seeds and berries, if using fresh, as well as any other desired ingredients in the morning. If mixture is too thick, add milk or milk alternative.

PAC NEWS



Fundraising Opportunities

Tired of losing your child's belongings? Check out personalizing them with **"Mabel's Labels"** This is an ongoing fundraiser that you can access at anytime through the website below and enter "Bouchie Lake Elementary" then you can go ahead and order.



<https://mabelslabels.ca/fundraising/support>

- ⇒ Every Pajama Day we are putting together a trolley filled with fun, inexpensive snacks and drinks that the kids can purchase during lunch hour. The money that is fundraised goes towards school transportation of trips, learning materials, sports equipment and school appreciation snacks. Next one is **Oct 30th & Nov 27th**.
- ⇒ November hot lunch is **Nov 7th** (Quesada) and **20th** (in-house, nuggets)
- ⇒ Raffle Tickets for Christmas Baskets will be sold in November and drawn at the Christmas Concert



To Stay updated on future events & more, follow the Facebook Page called:
"Bouchie Lake Elementary School"

PAC Meetings are every 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 3:30 PM in the Library

Next meeting is
November 13, 2025

Who Makes Up the PAC?

President: Melissa Bailey

Vice President & Treasurer: Erin Hoffman

Secretary & Fundraising Coordinator: Katie Kravstov

Hot Lunch Coordinator: Jade Lillow

Hot Lunch Server & PAC Supporter : Laura Maitland

Transportation Information



Reminders:

- ◇ Bus passes are **important** and **mandatory** for students to ride the bus
- ◇ Bus drivers are **required** to have attendance of their bus at all times for safety
- ◇ When having a friend ride the bus home-be sure a parent/guardian calls the bus garage –Notes will not be accepted.



Bus Safety & Rules

Remain seated—No standing or moving seats while bus is in motion

- Pick up your food garbage before exiting bus
- Foul Language is not allowed
- Keep your hands to your self

Remember riding the bus is a privilege, not a right

When the weather turns, SD28 works to ensure the safety of all our students and staff. Please review our policies and procedures:

Policy 535 - When buses will be cancelled

Procedure 535 - What we will do when buses are cancelled

Procedures 535A - Cold weather Notice, information for parents

Missing a bus pass?

Please contact the bus garage

250-992-8361 or email

Transportation@sd28.bc.ca