September 2026 Newsletter

Parent Information



Transportation FIY: Friends will no longer be allowed to take the bus home to play at your house after school.

Breakfast Program open at 7:30 to 8 am. Open to all-enter in side door.

Classroom School Supplies was emailed out - Copies can be found on our schools website!

School Allergy(s)-Nut aware & All school district # 28 sites are scent/fragrance free.

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 Handbook- Be sure to read the handbook and the **Code of Conduct**. These can be found on our schools website!

Thank you to Desert Hills for their donation towards our breakfast program!

2074 Blackwater Rd, Quesnel BC V2J 7B3
Ph:250-249-5913 / Fax: 250-249-5610

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
- **Complete the online form** at: https://bouchielake.sd28.bc.ca/

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.

Monthly Reminders

WEATHER APPROPRIATE CLOTHING: Please remember to dress your child(ren) for the appropriate weather: Rain or Shine. Extra items for the wet, cold days. Hats and sunscreen for hot days.

ATTENTION PARENTS AND VISITORS: Our school is open between 8:00am and 3:30pm but all parents and visitors are asked to report the office when they come to the school. The front door will be locked during the day. Please ring the doorbell to gain entry to the school. It is important for safety reason 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.

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
6	7 Labour Day STAT	8 NI DAY No School	9 1st Day (Early Dismissal @ 11:23)	10	11	12
13	14 Annual Permissions Due Back	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Strong start Party at the Park 9-1130	22 Lunch program forms due back	23	24	25	26
27	28 Terry Fox Run Lunch program starts	29 Orange Shirt Day	30 Truth and Reconciliation Day No School	1	2	3
4	5 ← School Photos → 	6	7	8	9	10

SD28 Quesnel
Together we can

StrongStart

Play. Learn. Grow. Together.

StrongStart is a **FREE** drop-in program
for young children (0–5) and their caregivers.

OPEN HOUSE / REGISTRATION EVENT

IN LEBOURDAIS PARK!

Monday
September 21, 2025
9:00 – 11:00 AM

Come say hello, register,
and learn more about
our StrongStart programs!

FIRST DAY OPEN!

Tuesday
September 22, 2025

We can't wait to
welcome you!



OUR STRONGSTART CENTRES

BARLOW CREEK Elementary School	Educator: Bailey Lowe BaileyLowe@sd28.bc.ca
RIVERVIEW Elementary School	Educator: Laurel Styles LaurelStyles@sd28.bc.ca
BOUCHIE LAKE Elementary School	Educator: Lacey Ratcliff LaceyRatcliff@sd28.bc.ca
DRAGON LAKE Elementary School	Educator: Cari Rawling CariRawling@sd28.bc.ca

For more information, visit:
www.sd28.bc.ca/strongstart

Join our Facebook group:
Quesnel StrongStart
A place to connect, ask questions and stay up to date!


FREE
SWIM
DAY!
SPLASH, PLAY & HAVE FUN!
OCTOBER 23
1 PM - 3 PM
QUESNEL REC CENTRE
LIONS
INTERNATIONAL
HOSTED BY
QUESNEL
LIONS CLUB

Bus Information and Expectations

BUS BEHAVIOUR

A Memo was sent out at the beginning of January regarding student behavior on buses.

Please remind your students that the following are expectations for riding on a school bus:

- Remain seated during the ride. Students are not to be moving around the bus.
- Keep hands to yourself. Students are not to be grabbing the belongings of other students or engaging in any type of rough housing while on the bus.
- Do not throw objects out of the windows.
- Enjoy the ride responsibly
- Listen to the bus driver.

BUS CANCELLATIONS

Please check the SD28 website for notice of cancellations. Buses may be cancelled for cold weather or road conditions. As per the Memo from the School District, if a bus is cancelled in the morning, it remains cancelled for the entire day.

Thank you for helping to ensure safety for everyone on the bus.



Bus Information - Continued

- 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
- Buses can not accommodate transportation to visit a friend after school. We apologize for the inconvenience.



Bus Garage Contact Information:

250-992-8361 or email

Transportation@sd28.bc.ca

PC Powerful Kids

We are very grateful to PC Children's Charity for donating funds to our school to support our families.

Desert Hills Ranch

This amazing place has graciously donated boxes of fruit to our breakfast program. We are very thankful.

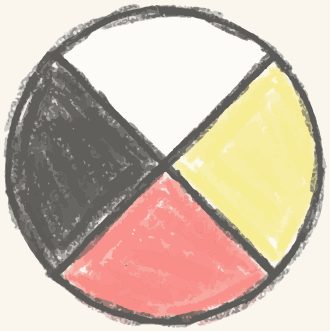
Indigenous News

Dahooja!

My name is Jody Baxter (Indigenous Education Support Worker) here at Bouchie Lake Elementary.

I will be sharing an indigenous traditional recipe every month. If you would like share yours, please send them to the school!

Thank you!



Indigenous Dates of Significance:

September 30th is Truth and Reconcilation Day





PAC NEWS

Fundraising Opportunities

Fundraising Schedule:

On going Fundraising:

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



Who Makes up the PAC??

President & Fundraiser Coordinator:
Melissa Bailey

Vice-President
Nicole Mighton

Treasurer:
Erin Hoffman

Secretary
Katie Kravstov

Hot Lunch Coordinator:
Jade Lillow

Hot Lunch Server & PAC Supporter:
Laura Maitland

Follow the Facebook Page called: "Bouchie Lake Elementary School"
to stay updated with fundraising events!

PAC Meeting dates will be posted ASAP.