



Carson Elementary School

"Building Future Leaders"

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NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message The month of February is one that really showcases kindness. We have seen events grow from Valentine's Day to Pink Shirt Day and Random Acts of Kindness Week. This month we will have so many opportunities to show our commitment to kindness. At our January assembly all students were given a kindness band, which can be worn daily to remember that we can choose to be kind every day.

This month our focus will also be on catching students in the act of kindness by handing out "We Caught You Being Kind" tickets. When a student is caught being kind, they will receive a ticket which will be read on the announcements and posted up on our Kindness Wall.

We look forward to a month filled with kindness activities.

Mrs. A. Gauthier, Principal

Principal: Ms. Angelina Gauthier
Secretary: Ms. Lisa Audet

SCHOOL HOURS:

Start Time: 8:20 a.m. (warning bell)

School Starts: 8:25 a.m.

(Attendance is taken)

Recess: 10:15 to 10:32 a.m.

Lunch: 12:00 - 1 p.m.

Dismissal: 2:33 p.m.

Rescheduled Ski Dates

Kindergarten & Grade One - & Monday February 3 and Thursday, February 13 at Hallis Lake

Grades Two and Three - Friday, February 21 at Hallis Lake

Intermediate Grades (4, 5, 6, & 7) - Wednesday, February 5 & Wednesday, March 11 at Troll Mountain.

A calendar of activities is on the back page

Pink Shirt Day

Wednesday, February 26 is PINK SHIRT DAY across the province. We encourage all students to join the commitment to kindness by wearing pink on that day. We will have an assembly at 1:45 p.m. showcasing the history behind Pink Shirt Day and how we can take a stand for kindness every day.



Registration

Kindergarten registration for the 2019-2020 school year will begin on February 3 and run until March 6.

To be eligible for attendance, a student must turn five years of age between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020. There are no exceptions for age. Please bring your child's Birth Certificate and either their BC Care Card OR BC Services Card. Also required are two pieces of documentation proving residential address (i.e. Hydro bill and Driver's License-with current address) at the time of registration.

Please register at the school office (between 8:30am & 2:30pm). Parents wishing their student to attend a school out of their catchment area, must still register at their catchment school and complete a "School of Choice Form" for approval by SD28 District Office.

IMPORTANT ALLERGY NOTICE

Carson is a FISH/SHELLFISH FREE SCHOOL

Due to severe allergies that staff and students have in our school, we are a FISH/SHELLFISH (all fish, scallops, shrimp, tuna, salmon, crab, etc. FREE SCHOOL. These allergies are airborne and life-threatening. We appreciate your assistance in ensuring NONE of these foods are brought to the school.



KINDNESS GRAMS

The Carson Culture Group will be selling Kindness Candy Grams again this year. An order form will go home soon. Kindness Grams orders will be delivered to students on February 10 to ensure students have plenty of time to fill them out and deliver to classmates on Valentine's Day.

Cardboard Challenge

We will once again have the opportunity to see students show teamwork, cooperation, creativity, and innovation at our annual Cardboard Challenge. Students will be creating magnificent things in the morning of Thursday, February 27, and will showcase them in the afternoon. We invite parents and family members to come see innovation in action!

We welcome students to start bringing cardboard to school. It may be placed on the stage.

BASKETBALL

Girls' basketball practices are being held after school from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Games will also take place after school. Thank you to Mr. Cronkhite for coaching the girls this season.

The boys' team will be practicing on Mondays and Wednesdays at lunch time, with games after school. Thank you to Richard Gauthier for coaching the boys' team this season.



Winter Sports Day

On the morning of February 6 we will be holding our Winter Sports Day. Students will be participating in a variety of outdoor winter activities organized and facilitated by our grade 7s. This event is to show students how much fun we can have outdoors during the winter months! Thank you to Mrs. Watson for her involvement and for obtaining the Honour Your Health Grant that made this event possible. Please make sure your child is dressed for a day of outdoor winter fun.

School Not in Session for Students

School will not be in session on Friday, January 31 for a Non-Instructional Day and Monday, February 17 for the Family Day holiday.

Winter Weather: Our school district policy is that students go outside at recess and lunch if the temperature is -15C or warmer. Sometimes we even go out at recess when it is -16C or -17C to get some fresh air. Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather.

Facebook Pages



Carson Elementary School has a Facebook page to help keep you updated with current happenings and events. Search **Carson Elementary School** and like our page to keep informed! Also, follow the **Carson PAC** Facebook page for information and updates on PAC activities.



FLOOR HOCKEY The Annual Carson Floor Hockey Tournament has wrapped up for another season. This was the **18th** year for our annual lunch time intramurals. Thank you to players, sponsor teachers and dedicated referees for a great season.

Random Acts of Kindness Week – Great Kindness Challenge

Carson will be participating in the Great Kindness Challenge during Random Acts of Kindness week from February 11 to 15. We will kick off the event at our January month-end assembly, and hand out a list of challenges for the students to complete. During the week we will also have School Spirit Days. Each day will have a different kindness theme.

Monday, February 10 - Kindness Band Day Wear your kindness band to show that “In a world where you can be anything, be kind.”

Tuesday, February 11 - Carson School Spirit Day Wear your school spirit wear or anything blue or white to show that kindness matters at Carson.

Wednesday, February 12 - Rainbow of Kindness Day Wear as many different colours as you can to support diversity, inclusion and acceptance.

Thursday, February 13 - Anything Kind Day Wear something with a kindness slogan: shirt, button, bands.

Friday, February 14 - Red Day – It’s Valentine’s Day, so wear red to show that we love kindness.



School District 28 Quesnel



READY, SET, LEARN

Winter Sessions



What is it? A school readiness initiative; open-house type event for families of 3 and 4 year olds

What can I expect? Fun activities – stories, songs, crafts
Families attending a Ready, Set, Learn event receive an age-appropriate book for the child and a parent/family kit with helpful tips for supporting preschoolers’ learning and development.

Where do we go?

Dragon Lake Elementary (5:00 – 6:30 pm) Feb. 11 th , 18 th , 25 th (250)747-2142	Voyageur Elementary (5:00 – 6:30 pm) Feb. 12 th , 19 th , 26 th (250)992-2613
Bouchie Lake Elementary (5:00 – 6:30 pm) Feb. 11 th , 18 th , 25 th (250)249-5913	Riverview Elementary (5:00 – 6:30 pm) Feb. 13 th , 20 th , 27 th (250)992-5421
Parkland Elementary (9:30 – 11:00 am) Feb. 12 th , 19 th , 26 th (250)992-5922	

Register by calling the school that is hosting the session you would like to attend.

February Successful Learner Traits: Inclusion and Acceptance

This month’s successful learner traits are inclusion and acceptance.

Acceptance is:

- understanding that others are different than you
- appreciating and respecting others’ differences
- recognizing you don’t have to agree with everyone but you can still show respect to everyone

Inclusion is:

- celebrating diversity and individuality
- valuing everyone
- understanding everyone has unique needs
- Valuing all cultures

PAC News

The next meeting of the **Carson Elementary PAC (Parent Advisory Council)** will be: **Monday, February 3, 2020 at 6:30pm in the school library.**

Parents are always welcome to join the executive for the monthly meetings. We value your input.

ART STARTS Performance – Monster Theatre

On Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 9 a.m. we will have an Art Starts performance by Monster Theatre. We welcome family members with preschoolers to come watch. Thank you to our PAC for covering the cost of our ART STARTS fees so students have the opportunity to enjoy performing arts at school.



Carson Elementary School Calendar of Events

February, 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	January 27	January 28	January 29	January 30	31	1
	Troll Downhill skiing for Intermediate classes (Grades 4, 5, 6, & 7) 8:30am—4:30pm		- Month End Assembly @ 1:45	School Spirit Day—Hat Day Floor Hockey Finals	District NI Day No School for Students	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	MAKE UP DAY: X-Country skiing for Grades K & 1 (Mrs. Bright & Mrs. Cronkrite) (8:40 am—noon) PAC Meeting 6:30pm		MAKE UP DAY: Troll Downhill skiing for Intermediate classes (Grades 4, 5, 6, & 7) 8:30am—4:30pm	Winter Sports Day	PAC Hot Lunch—Booster Juice	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Kindness Band Day	Carson Spirit—Blue, & White Day MAKE UP DAY: Troll Downhill skiing for Intermediate classes (Grades 4, 5, 6, & 7) 8:30am—4:30pm	Rainbow Day	MAKE UP DAY: X-Country skiing for Grades K & 1 (Mrs. Bright & Mrs. Cronkrite) (8:40 am—noon) Wear It Kind Day (shirt with kind words)	PAC Hot Lunch—Bliss (Butter Chicken)	
R A N D O M A C T S O F K I N D N E S S W E E K						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Family Day Statutory Holiday—No School				PAC Hot Lunch—Long Table Grocery MAKE UP DAY: X-Country skiing for Grades 2 & 3 (Mr. Cronkrite & Mrs. Campbell) (8:40 am—noon)	
23	24	25	26	27	28	
			PINK SHIRT DAY • Art Starts 9:00am Month End Assembly @ 1:45 PAC Movie Night - 6pm	Cardboard Challenge	PAC Hot Lunch—Quinoa Salad	