# GROW Newsletter – May 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> 2023



## **Contact My School**

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# GROW Location for September 2023

As sent out in a special message last week, GROW will be relocating to Lac La Hache Elementary for September 2023. Please view the attached letter (the same letter that was sent out last week) that discusses the movement of GROW.

# Student Registration for 2023 - 2024

Student information verification forms have been sent to families intending to register with GROW again next year. Please review, sign and return the forms to GROW. Once they are returned, the September 2023 - 2024 "Substantive Learning Package" will be sent to you or made available for pick-up.

In the student registration package you will need to:

 Examine the Student Verification Form, make any changes on the form, and sign/date the form at the bottom of the last page

- 2. Complete Computer Usage and Privacy Information Consent
- 3. Complete Outside Media in Schools and Personal Information Consent
- 4. Complete the Enrollment Agreement

### **Course Completion Dates**

For all students (K - 12 including adult students) all courses must be completed by June 2023 as there is no summer school option at GROW.

Note the time periods below regarding course completions:

- All schoolwork must be submitted to the Kindergarten to Grade 7 teachers by Friday June 9th, 2023.
- All schoolwork must be submitted to the Grade 8 and 9 teacher by Friday June 23rd, 2023.
- All schoolwork must be submitted to the Grade 10, 11 and 12 teacher (including Adult Learners) by Friday June 23rd, 2023.

# Virtual Learning Session and a Field Trip

On Thursday May 18 we had a Virtual Sawmill Tour (the tour took approximately 45 minutes).

This tour was provided by the BC Council of Forest Industries.

Two pictures of the online event are shown below.

Thank You to all who attended!





# **PAC Activity**

The PAC of GROW is sponsoring a Day at Gavin Lake Forest Education Centre (Thursday, June 1st from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

This is a PAC sponsored event and as such parents must remain in attendance for the entire event. Lunch/snacks will be provided by the PAC throughout the day. The activities include wall climbing, archery, hiking, canoeing, swimming (if weather permits), and spending time together! Free for all GROW families.

What to Bring? Water bottle, hat/sunscreen, bug spray/clothes appropriate for weather and outdoor activities and a bathing suit and towel (weather permitting and if you desire to engage in the swimming activity).

Parents will be asked to sign a waiver form from Gavin Lake upon arrival detailing the scheduling of activities and risks involved.

**Driving Directions:** 

From the South:

Turn east (right) at 150 Mile House onto the Likely Road (150 Mile House is 14 km south-east of Williams Lake on Highway 97). After 4 km, turn left onto the Likely Road where it forks with the Horsefly Road and follow it for 44 km. The Gavin Lake Road is on the right and is marked by the Gavin Lake Forest Education Centre and UBC/Alex Fraser Research Forest signs.

From the North:

Turn east off of Highway 97 at McLease Lake (approximately 45 km north of Williams Lake) onto Beaver Lake Road, and continue for 3.3 km. Turn right onto the gravel portion of Beaver Lake Road. Follow this route until it meets the Likely Road (approximately 35 km). Turn north (left) and drive for 6.7 km on the Likely Road. The Gavin Lake Road is on the right and is marked by the Gavin Lake Forest Education Centre and UBC/Alex Fraser Research Forest signs.

### **GROW PAC**

The PAC has a page on the GROW website, and the minutes of the latest meeting are posted on this website. As always, all parents are encouraged to attend and participate in our PAC! If you have any questions, the contact emails for the PAC Executive is on our PAC website:

### Parent Advisory Committee

The last PAC General Meeting occurred on Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup>; the minutes of this meeting are posted on the <u>PAC Website</u>.

### **GROW Library**

The GROW Library is a "One Stop Shop" for print and online resources. The link to the Library is via this link, or via the GROW Website under the Programs Heading. Accessible from any computer or mobile device, the GROW Library provides two resource options for Students:

Option One: GROW has a Book Library.

**Option Two:** GROW has online resources available via the BC Digital Collection (all resources are online).

To access the online collection, you may need to enter a username and password. Please use:

Username: **sd27bc** Password: **sd27bc** 

### **GROW Web Site**

GROW's website is found at: https://www.sd27/bc.ca/grow

Highlights include:

- Ongoing News of GROW Events
- Program Information
- School Information such as Learning Plans
- Important Calendar Events
- Links to GROW Library

Please check the website often as changes are added every week on important information you need to know.