GROW Newsletter – May 1st to 5th 2023



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Report Cards – Junior High and Senior High

Grades 8 to 12 students in GROW (students who are not adults) received their report cards this past week. Given the distributed nature of our students, the report cards were sent out via MyEducation BC (our student management program) whereby the students and parents/guardians will be able to login to MyEducation BC and examine their report card. If you do not know your login information for MyEducation BC, please email Ken Matieshen and he will assist you with MyEducation BC. Finally, paper copies of your report cards are always available, and will be provided by GROW upon request.

GROW for 2023 - 2024

In summary, GROW for 2023 – 2024 will:

- 1. Not offer grades 8 to 12.
- 2. Focus on K-7.

GROW may centrally relocate based upon student addresses - Lac La Hache Elementary seems to fit this description so far. This decision has not been made to date, but any comment/feedback you may have to the changes needs to be sent to Ken Matieshen via email to ken.matieshen@sd27.bc.ca or via a phone call to Ken at 250-305-7955 as soon as possible.

Transition and Preparing for September 2024

In preparation for 2023 – 2024 please note the following:

- Students in Grades 7 to 12 have been sent information for September 2024 to transition to a new school. Ken Matieshen will be following up with all these students to ensure that they have success in this regard.
- Students in K 6 will be receiving their Activation Packages for their next grade as well as registration forms for 2023 – 2024 in the near future. When the packages are ready for distribution, you will be informed of this fact.

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

To engage our students in a Virtual Learning Session/Field Trip, GROW will have a virtual field trip with Jim Costley from the BC Council of Forest Industries (COFI) examining a "Virtual Sawmill" on May 18th. As the date approaches, more information will be forthcoming.





Primary Social Group!

Ms. Ivey is offering an opportunity for the K-4students to come to the GROW Classroom once a week on Fridays from 10:00 - 12:00 to engage in constructive play. The focus will be on oral language development and social interaction. During the two-hour session we also have access to the Marie Sharpe Gym for 45 minutes; therefore, students will start their session with a 45 Minute Gym Class. Students can bring a snack to eat during "snack time." Please contact Ms. Ivey (virginia.ivey@sd27.bc.ca) before the social group date to confirm your child's attendance as only students that have confirmed by the day before will be able to attend. The next date will be Friday May 5th, 2023.

Upcoming PAC Events

May 6th to 8th: Camping Weekend at Lake of the Trees

June 1st: Full Day of activities at Gavin Lake Recreation Area

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 3rd; the minutes of this meeting are posted on the <u>PAC Website</u>.