

GROW Newsletter – December 12th to 16th, 2022



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Virtual Museum Visit (Grades K – 9)

Thank you to those families who attended the virtual presentation by the BC Royal Museum. While the presentation focused on Coast Salish people, we had lots of participation and some requests for something similar (more emphasis toward the Interior of BC).

To that end, we have booked a virtual presentation with the Secwepemc Museum & Heritage Park for Tuesday, December 13 at 10:30 am. Jackie Jules will host a one hour (+/-) session on the Secwepemc way of life in the winter, including:

- The 13 month calendar and lunar cycle
- Activities in winter
- Storytelling
- What happened when a child “misbehaved?”

Ms. Jules is an experienced educator, so we are sure this will be an interactive presentation. We will send out the zoom link on Monday, so please let us know by Monday afternoon if you are attending (email virginia.ivey@sd27.bc.ca).

PAC Christmas Party

The GROW PAC will be hosting a Christmas Party for all GROW families. The event occurs at Hillside Community Church in 100 Mile House (550 Exeter Truck Route) from 11:30 am to 2:45 pm.

- Bring outside clothes for students and younger children as they will be spending some time outside.
- No need to RSVP your attendance or provide dietary restrictions as there will be a variety of food available (something for everyone).

The agenda is:

- 11:30 am – Noon: Nametags and Coloring Contest
- Noon – 12:30 pm: Ice Breakers and a Festive Holiday Lunch
- 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm: Outside fun for students
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm:
 - Kindergarten – Grade 3 Christmas Song Singing
 - Grade 4 – 9 Christmas Skit Creation
 - Presentation of Songs and Skits

- 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Christmas Cookie Decoration Extravaganza
- 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm: Clean up

As this is PAC and not a school event, parent(s) must remain in attendance during the duration of the event.

PAC Information

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 \(sd27.bc.ca\)](https://sd27.bc.ca)

The next PAC Meeting (open to all GROW Parents) will occur at the PAC Christmas Party in 100 Mile House on Monday December 19th from 12:30 pm until 1:00 pm.

Gym Time At Mile 108

Every month GROW will be sponsoring Gym Time for 90 Minutes at one of our School Gyms. Available for students aged K – 9, the event is intended to allow the students to use the equipment in the Gym and participate in activities that contribute towards their Physical Education Course.

The second event of the year will occur Monday December 19th. The Details of the event are:

Time: 3:00 pm until 4:30 pm

Location:

Mile 108 Elementary

4958 Easzee Drive

108 Mile Ranch, BC

Map Location: [Mile 108 Elementary](#)

Elementary Report Cards (Grades K – 7)

Grades K to 7 students in GROW (students who are not adults) will be receiving their first report card of the year the week of December 19th. Given the distributed nature of our students, the report cards will be 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. As we get closer to the date of the report cards, you will be receiving more information via email regarding how you may access your MyEducation BC Account. Finally, paper copies of the report cards are still available, and will be provided by GROW upon request.

Primary Group Session!

Ms. Ivey is offering an opportunity for the K – 4 students 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. Students can bring a snack to eat during “snack time.” Please contact Ms. Ivey (virginia.ivey@sd27.bc.ca) before that 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 December 16th, 2022.



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. Once you find your book, please contact your teacher with the name of the book to reserve your choice (note that you may take out more than one book for an unlimited amount of time).



Option Two:

GROW has online resources available via the BC Digital Collection (all resources are online). As discussed in previous Weekly

Newsletters, all students have access to this online library for resources that are available

from Kindergarten to Grade 12. Given the GROW Library, these links are now available on this site so users can quickly access the links.

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.