

GROW Newsletter – October 10th to 14th, 2022



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Mountain Biking!

On Thursday, October 20th from 10 am – 12 pm we will be taking students on a Mountain Bike Trip on the Fox Mountain Trail System in Williams Lake. Please note the following on the trip:

1. Bikers will only be using the Green Runs which are for beginner and great for all skill levels.
2. Bikers meet at 10:00 am on Ross Road in Williams Lake to begin their adventure.
3. Lunch will be provided by the PAC!
4. Bikers must ensure that they have the proper gear for biking which includes a helmet, bike, water bottle, and running shoes.
5. Bikers need to dress for the weather (layering your clothing is a great idea as it can be cooler in the morning).
6. Finally, as a condition of attending, parents must bring a bike and ride with the students.

If you are interested in attending this event, please email Ms. Ivey or Ms. Tomlinson and a trip registration form will be sent to you:

(virginia.ivey@sd27.bc.ca or
lacey.tomlinson@sd27.bc.ca).

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 10:30 - 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.” The first primary Social will be on Friday October 14th from 10:30 – 12:00. 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.

Thanksgiving!

Monday October 10th is Thanksgiving Day, and as such GROW will not be open.

Orange Shirt Day!

Friday September 30th was the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. GROW had an online Session for students to examine this day. However, if you missed the session, you may go to the GROW Website, choose the Orange Shirt

Day News Item, and you will see the link to view the recorded session (or choose the link below).

[GROW Orange Shirt Day Presentation](#)

District Cross Country Run for Students in Grade 3 to 7

The School District hosts a cross-country run each year for all schools within SD#27. The event this year took place on Friday, October 7th in Williams Lake.

Thank You to all of those who attended and wore with pride their GROW shirts and awards!



On-Line Library Collection

As a home-schooling student, you do not easily have access to a school library. This week we are going to highlight another resource on the [BC Digital Collection](#) - National Geographic Kids.

National Geographic kids is for students in grades K – 7, and it contains their entire collection of books, magazines, and videos aimed at the younger reader. The students can read online the materials, or one can print the materials. Please Explore National Geographic Kids!



To get to the Library, you would:

1. Go to <https://www.sd27.bc.ca>
2. Choose Parents & Students
3. Then Learning Resources
4. You will then see BC Digital Collection whereby you will choose the Link

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

Username: sd27bc

Password: sd27bc

PAC Information

The PAC has a page on the GROW website, and the minutes of the latest meeting are posted on this website:

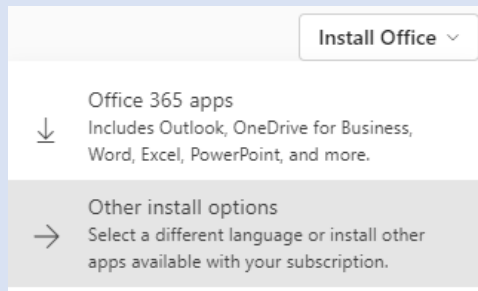
[Parent Advisory Committee \(sd27.bc.ca\)](#)

As always, all parents are encouraged to attend and participate in our PAC!

How Do I Download My Free Version of Office 365?

Every student gets a free version of Office 365 that they can install on five different devices that they own. To do this, login to Office 365 (**Find It Fast** at the top of the www.sd27.bc.ca website), choose "Install Office" on the top right-hand corner and then "Office 365 Apps."

Follow the prompts to download the free version of Office 365.



How Do I Get an Email Address?

All students in School District No. 27 receive an email address to communicate with their teacher. All email addresses follow the convention of: firstname.lastname@sd27.bc.ca For example, the address could be:

joe.who@sd27.bc.ca

To access your email, choose **Find It Fast** at the top of the www.sd27.bc.ca web page and choose Office 365. If you do not know your password, please contact your teacher.

Web Site

The GROW Program has its own website where you can get information on our school. The website is found at:

<https://www.sd27/bc.ca/grow>

Highlights include:

- Registration Information
- Program Information
- School Information such as Learning Plans
- Important Calendar Events

Please check the website often as changes will be added frequently on important information you need to know.