GROW Newsletter – May 15th to 19th 2023



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Student Registration for 2023 - 2024

Student information verification forms are ready for pick up by families intending to register with GROW again next year. Ms.

Tomlinson and Ms. Ivey will put them in the school mail delivery (if this is your preferred method of distribution), or out front in the GROW office. 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

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, a "Zoom" link will be sent to our students.

Finally, we were scheduled to have a local sawmill tour, but students must be 15 years and over to do the tour, but most of our students are under 15 years of age. Hence, the mill tour will not occur.

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 3rd; the minutes of this meeting are posted on the PAC Website.

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.