



# The Prowler

*the news of the week*  
*les nouvelles de la semaine*



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Hadi, Bonjour and Hello,

Happy October! A heads up that Ms. Lindsay will be on leave for the upcoming weeks. While she is gone Mrs. Anne Gerhardi (Mrs. G) will be at our front office. Her email address is [agerhardi@sd91.bc.ca](mailto:agerhardi@sd91.bc.ca). Don't hesitate to reach out to Mrs. G. Look after yourself, Ms. Lindsay. We will see you around the end of November.

Good luck to our Cross Country Team who are heading to Fraser Lake for the District Cross Country meet tomorrow. Many thanks to their coaches Mrs. Mueller and Mme Forsyth. Run hard and have fun!

Friday is graphic "t" day. We'd love to see your fit.

Our first Informal Learning Update of the year will be coming home on October 16th. This will set us up for Talk About Learning Time. Our first Talk About Learning Time will be on Tuesday, October 20th. On this day students will be dismissed at 12:00 and we invite you to come back with your kids between 2:00 and 6:00 so they can show off their learning. **Please call Mrs. G. to book into a 15-minute time slot.** As always, please feel free to connect with your child's teacher about progress and learning at any time.

October 30th is our Dress-Up Day. Please check out the info in this newsletter about masks, "weapons" and blow-up costumes and our intermediate dance.

Our lost and found is getting very full. As I mentioned to the students, we will no longer be keeping so much lost and found at the school. We will be doing more regular donations to NeighbourLink. Our first donation will happen on October 23rd. If you think you are missing something, please drop by the school before then to claim your stuff.

Our school-wide theme for this year is "**BELIEVE, LEARN and GROW.**" In October we are learning about our amazing brain. We will learn about brain science and how learning changes the brain.

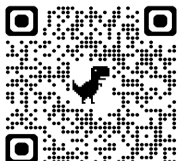
It is our goal to work together with you and the kids to help our McLeod students become adults who can take on the world. Please feel free to contact the school if you ever have any questions or concerns.

Proud to be McLeod  
Ms. L. Hart

## COMING SOON:

- Oct 9: Graphic "T" Day
- Oct 12: Thanksgiving—**NO SCHOOL**
- Oct 15: Great BC Shakeout
- Oct 17: Informal Learning Updates Go Home
- Oct 20: **12:00 Dismissal**  
Talk About Learning Time 2:00-6:00
- Oct 21: Take Me Outside Day
- Oct 22: Picture Retakes, Class Pictures, Panorama
- Oct 23: Pro-D Day—**NO SCHOOL**

We love your help! If you are planning to be a volunteer at our school in any way this year or in the future you will require a Criminal Record Check which includes a vulnerable sector check. **Please drop by the school to get a letter from Ms. Lindsay to take to the RCMP station. You will need this letter to do your CRC.**

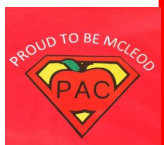


See the  
whole  
newsletter

**W.L. McLeod PAC Corner**  
[wlmcleod.pac@gmail.com](mailto:wlmcleod.pac@gmail.com)



Have a fabulous week!



# October MENU

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

If your child regularly receives a Hot Lunch, please check the menu for meals that they cannot or will not eat. Please provide a lunch for your child on those days. Thank you!

**Student price - \$5.00. Staff price - \$6.00. Cheques should be made payable to SD91.**

| Monday                                                                                                                                                        | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                              | Wednesday                                                                                                                | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                 | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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|                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                          | <b>1</b><br>Breakfast Sandwich<br>                                                     | <b>2</b><br>Chicken Ranch Wrap<br> <i>Custodial Staff Appreciation Day</i><br><b>Ultimate Frisbee Tournament</b> |
| <b>5</b><br>Sausages, Eggs and Roasted Potatoes<br> <b>World Teacher Day</b> | <b>6</b><br>Hot Roast Beef Sandwich<br>                                             | <b>7</b><br>Butter Chicken Lasagna<br>  | <b>8</b><br>BBQ Chicken<br>                                                            | <b>9</b><br>Beef Stir-Fry<br> <b>Graphic "t" Day</b>                                                             |
| <b>12</b><br>Thanksgiving - No School                                                                                                                         | <b>13</b><br>Perogies and Farmer Sausage<br>                                      | <b>14</b><br>French Toast<br>         | <b>15</b><br>Bacon, Lettuce, Cheese Wrap<br> <b>Shakeout BC – Earthquake Drill</b>   | <b>16</b><br>Sweet & Sour Meatballs<br> <b>Informal Learning Updates Home</b>                                  |
| <b>19</b><br>Pancakes<br>                                                  | <b>20</b><br><b>12:00 dismissal</b><br><b>2:00-6:00 Talk About Learning Time</b>                                                                                     | <b>21</b><br>The Snack Plate<br>      | <b>22</b><br>Turkey Sandwich<br> <b>Picture retakes, class pictures and panorama</b> | <b>23</b><br><br><b>PRO-D DAY (NO SCHOOL)</b>                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>26</b><br>Fish Sticks<br>                                               | <b>27</b><br>Oven Roasted Chicken Legs<br> <b>DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)</b> | <b>28</b><br>Pulled Pork Sandwich<br> | <b>29</b><br>Breakfast Wrap<br>                                                      | <b>30</b><br>Chicken Noodle Soup<br> <b>Dress Up Day</b>                                                       |

\* Please note: Our kitchen is not fully vegetarian or gluten free. Gluten sensitive options are available if pre-requested.\*

\*(V) indicates vegetarian option is available if pre-requested\*

Link to Meal Manage



Instructions to Meal Manage

McLEOD IS

***NOT FREE.***



Thanks for  
keeping our  
McLeod  
family safe.

**No peanuts, Brazil nuts and hazelnuts  
(including peanut butter and Nutella)  
PLEASE.**

#### A Huge Thank You to Our Community!

W.L. McLeod would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to every business and community member who donated to our annual Ultimate Frisbee Tournament. In all, more than 42 thoughtful gift cards and prize donations were collected! Your generosity helped us recognize and celebrate the students who demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship, leadership, enthusiasm, and team spirit throughout the tournament.

Your support means so much to our students and helps make events like this possible. Thank you for welcoming our students into your businesses, listening to their requests, and being such an important part of our school community.

From all of us at W.L. McLeod, thank you for helping make our tournament something special. You are all deeply appreciated.



#### A few notes about dress up day:

Please remember that any treats brought to school must be NUT FREE. We ask that students do not wear masks to school or bring any items that resemble a weapon. Both of these things can scare our little ones and make it more difficult for us to monitor our playground safely. **We also ask this year that kids do not wear blow-up costumes to school.** They are awesome but really don't mix well with classrooms, etc. Thank for your support!



JOIN US FOR

**K-12  
TUTORING**

**Every Tuesday  
& Thursday**

**Starting September 8  
from 3:30m pm to 5:30 pm**

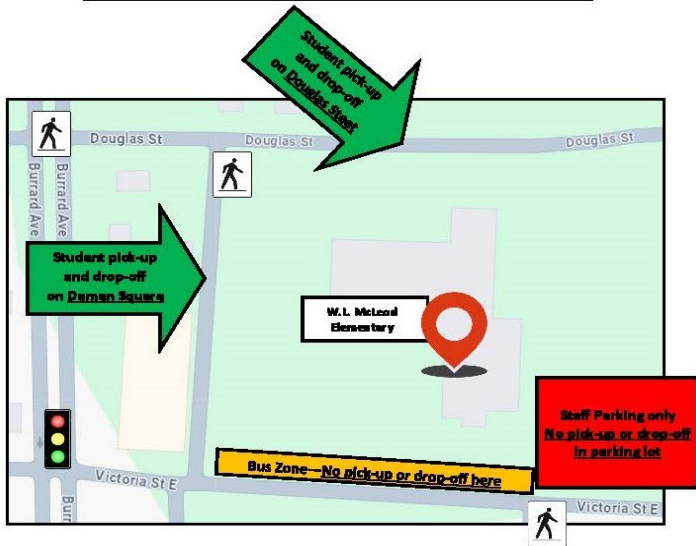


Please like our PAC  
Facebook page to stay up to date with  
what is going on in the school!

<https://www.facebook.com/WLMPAC>



**Student Pick-up & Drop-off  
at W.L. McLeod Elementary**



Please help keep our students, caregivers, and staff safe. **NO drop off and pick up in the school bus zone (on either side of the street) or in our staff parking lot.** Please use Douglas Street and Damon Square as drop-off and pick up options.



**Thank you for keeping McLeod scent free  
(including essential oils).  
We appreciate your support for our students**

Please have all after-school messages to the office by 2:45 to ensure that we have time to get the message to the students.

Thanks!



*Let's all use our WITS at home and at school*

We would like to remind you that doors in our school are **locked** apart from the front door. Adults should **only** enter through the front door. Please **sign in and out** at the office. Please **do not go to classrooms** without permission from our office staff.



McLeod is a very busy place. It is vital that we know who is in our building and why. ALL adults MUST report to the office, sign in on our sign in sheet, and connect with Ms. Lindsay. Ms. Lindsay will let you know if it is appropriate for you to proceed into the school. To minimize disruption to classes we will be happy to make deliveries to classes or to call students to the office. Please work with our staff to support student safety and success.



We are very proud that we offer additional support and connection for students of Indigenous ancestry at our school. In BC schools, students/families can self-identify as being of Aboriginal ancestry. There is no paperwork or "proof" required. Please contact Ms. Hart if you are interested in finding out more about this support at our school.



Vanderhoof Elementary School/W. L. McLeod Elementary School  
PHOTO ARCHIVE  
1960 to 2005

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jC-rDH5APAQ>

The background of the poster features a collage of images: a close-up of a blueberry, a traditional woven basket, a colorful quilt, and a roasted duck.

SAIK'UZ FIRST NATION  
EDUCATION DEPT PRESENTS

# CULTURAL DAYS

**September 17<sup>th</sup>, October 6<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>  
November 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>,  
December 9<sup>th</sup>**

3 pm – 7 pm  
The Gathering Place  
Saik'uz Band Office

*Cultural Activities*  
*Light Meals*  
*Everyone Welcome*

Have Questions? Contact:  
education@saikuz.com | 250-567-9293



Please do not send bags of unpopped popcorn or the KD cups for lunches. It takes too long to cook in the microwave and we end up running out of time to eat. They also burn in the microwave too easily.

Thank you!

Please have all items you'd like to add to the newsletter to Ms. Lindsay by **noon** on Tuesday's. Any submissions after noon will be put in the following week's newsletter. Please email [lblade@sd91.bc.ca](mailto:lblade@sd91.bc.ca)

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# Drop In BEST MOMS & DADS & CAREGIVERS GROUP

AT NEIGHBOURLINK

**MONDAYS 10 AM - 1 PM**  
**THURSDAYS 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM**

**DINNER PROVIDED**

Come check us out!  
We are in the back of Neighbourlink behind Act II Thrift Store. (side entrance) 189 Columbia St E

**CRAFTS FOR ADULTS, GAMES & CRAFTS FOR KIDS FOOD & REFRESHMENTS**

**ALL AGES WELCOME!**

Parents striving to be the best they can be for their children!

**CHILD MINDING PROVIDED WHILE CAREGIVERS CONNECT, CRAFT AND GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER, OR JUST SIT AND RELAX**

SCHOOL DISTRICT 91

# We're Hiring!

Valuing Excellence, Innovation & Community

SCHOOL DISTRICT 91 NECHAKO LAKES

BURNS LAKE, FORT ST. JAMES, FRANCOIS LAKE, FRASER LAKE, GRANISLE, GRASSY PLAINS, VANDERHOOF

## Positions Include:

- Administrative Assistants
- Before & After School Care Workers
- Bus Drivers/Bus Monitors/Bus Washers
- Custodians
- Indigenous Education Advocates
- Learning Support Workers
- Meal Program Workers
- Morning/Noon/Bus/Playground Supervisors
- Personal Attendant - Autism
- Personal Care Worker
- Trades/Maintenance
- Youth Care Workers

SCAN THE QR CODE, OR VISIT [WWW.SD91.BC.CA/SUPPORTSTAFFPOSTINGS](http://WWW.SD91.BC.CA/SUPPORTSTAFFPOSTINGS) TO VIEW OUR CURRENT VACANCIES, INCLUDING OUR CASUAL LISTS!



## Recreation Schedule October 2026

| Monday                                                                                                                            | Tuesday                                                                                                                                       | Wednesday                                                                                                                          | Thursday                                                                                                                  | Friday                                                                            | Saturday                    | Sunday |
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|                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                    | Story Time   10am-11am   0-5 Yrs<br>Y Theatre   11:30-12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Art   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs          | 1 Mini Games   1:30pm - 2:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Y Games   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs  | 2 3                         | 4      |
| Little Learners   10am - 11am   3-5 Yrs<br>Mini Explore   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Science Day   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 5 Tiny Tumblers   10am - 11am   0-3 Yrs<br>Dino Crafts & Games   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Outdoor Explore   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs  | 6 Little Artists   10am - 11am   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Crafts   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Crafts   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs  | 7 Story Time   10am - 11am   0-5 Yrs<br>Y Theatre   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Art   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs  | 8 Mini Games   1:30pm - 2:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Y Games   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs  | 9 Pick A Pumpkin 11am - 3pm | 10 11  |
| THANKSGIVING<br>VCC CLOSED                                                                                                        | 12 Tiny Tumblers   10am - 11am   0-3 Yrs<br>Dino Crafts & Games   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Outdoor Explore   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 13 Little Artists   10am - 11am   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Crafts   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Crafts   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 14 Story Time   10am - 11am   0-5 Yrs<br>Y Theatre   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Art   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 15 Mini Games   1:30pm - 2:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Y Games   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 16 17                       | 18     |
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| Little Learners   10am - 11am   3-5 Yrs<br>Mini Explore   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Science Day   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 26 Tiny Tumblers   10am - 11am   0-3 Yrs<br>Dino Crafts & Games   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Outdoor Explore   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 27 Little Artists   10am - 11am   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Crafts   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Crafts   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 28 Story Time   10am - 11am   0-5 Yrs<br>Y Theatre   11:30am - 12:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Fall Art   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 29 Mini Games   1:30pm - 2:30pm   3-5 Yrs<br>Y Games   3:30pm - 4:30pm   6-12 Yrs | 30 Pumpkin Walk 5pm - 8pm   | 31     |



**Facility Hours**  
Monday-Friday • 8:00am-5:30pm  
186 Columbia Street, Vanderhoof

Contact: [vcc@ymcabc.ca](mailto:vcc@ymcabc.ca)  
(250) 570-9505  
**Register online:** [myncby.ca](http://myncby.ca)

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