



VI-KIDS VENTURES

EVELYN DICKSON SCHOOL ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

Hadih, Bonjour, and Hello!

December 18, 2025

As we head into Winter Break, we want to take a moment to share our gratitude for the wonderful sense of community we have felt here at school.

Our December has been full of community-building activities, thanks to the leadership and enthusiasm of our Student Council. We are also very grateful to our PAC for providing all students with a hot dog lunch and treats last week—your generosity is truly appreciated.

A very big thank you to all the families who joined us for our Winter Carnival. It was such a pleasure to see students, families, and staff coming together to enjoy an evening of fun and connection. A special thank you to Mrs. Egan, Miss Quintal, Mrs. Mountifield, Miss Loewen, Mr. Gray, Mrs. O'Meara, and the CSFS Middle Years team for organizing such engaging activities. We are also thankful to Mitch's Independent for their generous donation of hot chocolate and marshmallows, which helped keep everyone warm and cozy.

This week, we were delighted to welcome Rusty and her guitar to our school. She led us in songs of the season, filling our building with music and joy. It was a truly joyful experience and a lovely way to celebrate this special time of year together.

These moments of celebration and togetherness are a wonderful reminder of the caring and supportive community we share. Thank you to our students, families, staff, and community partners for helping make our school such a wonderful place to learn and grow.

Warm wishes to all as we head into Winter Break. We look forward to welcoming students back when school reopens on January 5, 2026.

With appreciation

Barb Ziler



UPCOMING DATES:

Dec 19 - Ugly Sweater Day

**Dec 19 - Last day of School
for Christmas Break**

Jan 5 - Back to School
















JANUARY 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! **Cheques should be made payable to SD91**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FRIENDLY REMINDER: The January Menu closes on January 6 Don't forget to submit your lunch orders		1 Winter Break "Happy Holidays" 	2 Winter Break "Happy Holidays" 	3 Winter Break "Happy Holidays" 
5 Spaghetti 	6 Hot Dogs - PAC 	7 Bacon, Lettuce, Cheese Ranch Wrap 	8 Butter Chicken Lasagna 	9 Chili & Bun - Bakery 
12 Corn Chowder	13 Pizza - PAC 	14 Roast Beef Sandwiches	15 Breakfast Sandwich 	16 Chili & Bun - Bakery 
19 Turkey Sandwich 	20 Hot Dogs - PAC 	21 Perogy Casserole 	22 Burgers 	23 Chili & Bun - Bakery 
26 Mac and Cheese 	27 Pizza - PAC 	28 French Toast 	29 Chicken Strips 	30 Chili & Bun - Bakery 



Shine On Y YMCA BC		Recreation Schedule January 2026					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
			New Years Day	1 Winter Break - Winter Wonderland 9:30am - 3:30pm 6-12	2	3	4
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DISTRICT OF
Vanderhoof

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

Contact: vcc@bc.ymca.ca
(250) 570-9505
Register online: mynbcy.ca

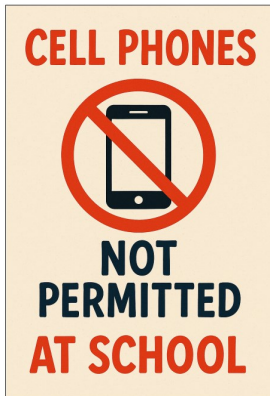
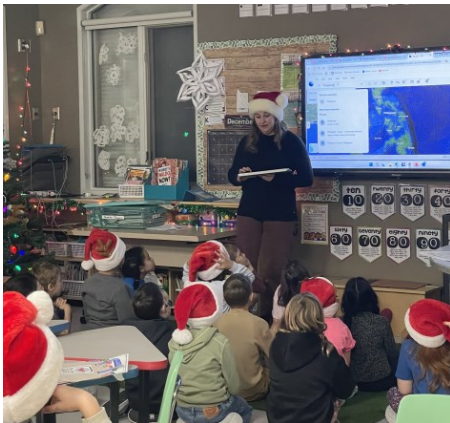
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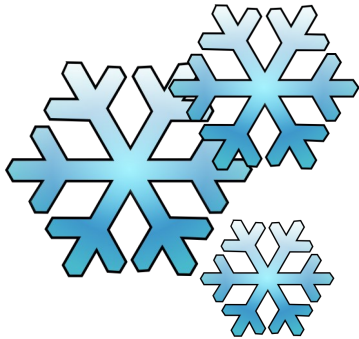
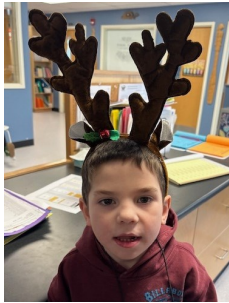


Buy Mabel's Labels waterproof, durable labels to help reduce classroom mix-ups and keep your items coming home.



Go to campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for Evelyn Dickson School (Vanderhoof)





Communication with your Child's Teacher

Should you have any questions or concerns, you can always reach out to your child's teacher. If you are unsure how to **contact them**, you can **always call our office and leave a message**. If **you prefer an email**, please contact our office and we will ensure you get the information you need.

MEAL MANAGE LUNCH ORDER WINDOWS

	Open date	Close date
November menu	October 17 th	October 28 th
December menu	November 14 th	November 25 th
January menu **note: longer time due to winter break**	December 12 th	January 6 th
February menu	January 16 th	January 27 th
March menu	February 13 th	February 24 th
April menu **note: longer time due to spring break**	March 13 th	March 31 st
May menu	April 17 th	April 28 th
June menu	May 15 th	May 26 th
September 2026 menu **note: open all summer break**	June 26 th	September 13 th



Visiting our Building

Just a reminder to parents and guests that when you are visiting our building you must come directly to the office after entering the front door.

Visitors and parents are not permitted to go into classrooms or other areas of the school. Should there be a need to access the building, a visitor badge will be provided at the office.

Please contact Barb Ziler, Principal, should you have any questions.

From EDS PAC:

While enjoying Winter Break and all the tradition and **YUMMY FOOD** that comes with it...

here's a reminder... **THERE IS STILL TIME TO SUBMIT YOUR RECIPE FOR THE EDS COOKBOOK**

Send a picture of your recipe by email: EDSPAC@sd91.bc.ca



School Board Meeting

Monday, January 19, 2026

6:30 pm

**Virtual Meeting
via MS Teams**

Important Public Attendance Notice:

Members of the public are invited to attend Regular Meetings of the Board of Education.

Due to limited space and seating availability, please request your seat in advance if you wish to attend in person.

Alternatively, members of the public may attend this meeting virtually through Microsoft Teams. To take advantage of this online attendance option, please visit

www.sd91.bc.ca/meeting-information for the Teams link.

To view the meeting agenda, please visit

www.sd91.bc.ca/board-agendas-and-minutes.

Contact:

Heather Silver

Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

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MORNING DROP OFF

Just a reminder that we do not have supervision in place until 8:15 a.m. If you need to drop your child off before this, please contact the office to discuss arrangements.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DRILLS

All schools participate in Emergency Preparedness Drills each year. We will have six fire drills, two lockdown practices and an Earthquake drill. If your child talks to you about these drills, please reassure them that the practices are to ensure their safety in an emergency.



Superintendent's Report to the Board

Superintendent Anita McClinton presented her [Monthly Report](#) at the Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, December 15, 2025.

You may find it under the Latest News heading at www.sd91.bc.ca or on our [Board of Education Updates](#) page.

Mr. Gray's Class Fundraiser Draw Results 2025/26

Gaming Event License #166924

Ten lucky winners will celebrate Christmas with a prize from Mr. Gray's Barkerville Fundraiser Draw!

Tara Smith received the first prize of \$300 cash from Homestead Inn & Suites

Tess Elo's second prize was a \$180 Wheel Alignment from Kal Tire

Joleen Stevenson was the third place winner of sausages and a business hoodie from the Speckled Sow worth \$125.00

Mark Lea won the fourth prize Subway Gift Cards worth \$100

Josephine Jongay was the recipient of the fifth prize, a \$100 CO-OP gift card from Hub Insurance

Cece G. won the sixth prize, \$75 worth of Haskap Freeze Dried Berries from Haven Ridge Farms Ltd. (Shane's Shop)

Tess Elo, who won a Lego Poinsettia kit from Independent Grocers, worth \$72.80

Linda Stevenson won the eighth prize, a \$50 gift card from CO-OP

Dave Colonel, a Cozy Corner gift card for \$48.84 (two large pizzas)

Robin Work won the tenth prize, a \$25 gift certificate for Bakerij Lobelle

On behalf of his students, Mr. Gray wants to thank all the community members who bought tickets and the businesses who generously donated prizes. They raised \$2190.00 that will fund our trip to Barkerville on June 12. What a Christmas gift for the class!



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Alistair R., Talon, Averie W., Emmitt S., Violet S.,
 Daklyn J., Liam C., Dallace B., Mazie M., Amealia T.
 Imman C., Alayna M., Addison C., Mya S.