



VI-KIDS VENTURES

EVELYN DICKSON SCHOOL ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

Hadih, Hello, and Bonjour!

June 18, 2026

Last Friday, our students participated in a Bike Rodeo and had a wonderful opportunity to learn about bicycle and road safety. Students practiced important riding skills and learned how to stay safe while enjoying time on their bikes. A sincere thank you to Mrs. Egan, Mrs. Creighton, Mrs. Mountifield, and Mrs. O'Meara for organizing this valuable learning experience. We are also incredibly grateful to Mr. Scott and Mr. Creighton for volunteering their time to complete bicycle repairs, air up tires, and support students throughout the day.

We would also like to extend our gratitude to Knowledge Holder Darren Holmes for sharing his cultural knowledge and teachings about beavers with our students. Opportunities to learn from Indigenous Knowledge Holders help deepen students' understanding of the land, culture, and traditional ways of knowing, and we are thankful for the time and wisdom he shared with our school community.

I was grateful to be invited to Saik'uz First Nation's Celebration of Education last night. It was wonderful to see so many families gathered together and to celebrate the learning and accomplishments of students from Kindergarten through post-secondary education. Thank you to Saik'uz First Nation for their warm hospitality and for recognizing the importance of learning at every stage of life.

This week, Mr. Gray's Grade 3 class hosted the school for a fun-filled mini golf experience. Students enjoyed testing their putting skills while spending time together in a positive and engaging activity. Thank you to Mr. Gray and his class for sharing their creativity and hard work with our school community.

We are excited to welcome Ms. Soakell to the EDS family next week. At the same time, we will be saying farewell to our beloved Miss Harder as she begins an exciting new chapter in her life and prepares for her upcoming wedding. While we are so happy for her, she will be deeply missed by our students, staff, and families. Her kindness, dedication, and positive impact have touched many lives, and we are grateful for everything she has contributed to our school community. We wish her every happiness in the years ahead.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our PAC for providing snacks and treats for our staff in recognition of Staff Appreciation. Your ongoing generosity and support mean so much and help make our staff feel valued and appreciated.

Last Friday, we were fortunate to welcome several NVSS graduates back to EDS. It was wonderful for our students to see former EDS learners celebrating this important milestone. We are incredibly proud of each of them and wish them every success as they begin the next chapter of their journey. Congratulations, Graduates—we are proud of you!

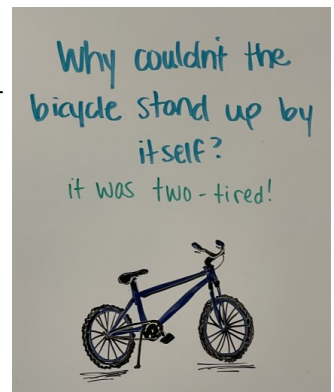
Finally, we would like to invite all parents, caregivers, and family members to join us for our Year-End Assembly on Thursday, June 25 at 10:30 a.m. This special event is an opportunity to celebrate the many accomplishments of our students throughout the year and to recognize our Grade 6 students as they prepare for their next adventure. An invitation is included in this newsletter.

As a reminder, Thursday, June 25 is a half-day of instruction, and students will be dismissed at 11:53 a.m.

We look forward to celebrating with you as we wrap up another wonderful year of learning, growth, and community at EDS.

With appreciation,

Barb Ziler, Principal





Dandelion Contest

May 1 - June 19 at recess



The longest dandelion wins! Bring your finest dandelion into the office for official measuring.

**Tyrell C. is in the
lead for the
longest dandelion
— 110cm!**

 JUNE 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
1  Wowie Masi Chicken	2  Ham/Turkey Wrap Bakery Lobelle	3  Tortellini in Marinara	4  Chicken Strips	5  Ham/Turkey Sandwich Bakery Lobelle
8  Roasted Chicken Legs	9  Ham/Turkey Wrap Bakery Lobelle	10  Roast Beef	11  Breakfast Sandwiches	12  Ham/Turkey Sandwich Bakery Lobelle
15  Salmon Salad Wrap	16  Ham/Turkey Wrap Bakery Lobelle	17  Sausage and Eggs	18  Chicken Ranch Wrap	19  Ham/Turkey Sandwich Bakery Lobelle
22  Soup and Deli Sandwich	23  Ham/Turkey Wrap Bakery Lobelle	24  Spaghetti	25	26

REMINDER: Place your orders before ordering closes on May 26.

**The EDS PAC is selling
cook books for \$20 each.
See Ms. Dunkley in the
office if you would like
to purchase one.**



MINI GOLF FUN!!

EVELYN DICKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Year End Assembly

June 25, 2026

10:00 a.m.



June 10, 2026

Dear Parent, Caregivers and Guardians,

We are excited to invite you to our Year-End Assembly at EDS on Thursday, June 25, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. The assembly will take place in our school gymnasium. This is a special time to celebrate the achievements of our students as we wrap up the year.

To help the event run smoothly and safely, we kindly ask you to follow the procedures below:

Entry & Exit: Please enter and exit through the gymnasium doors located on the west side of the building. Upon arrival, all guests will be asked to sign in at the desk located at the entrance.

Building Access: For this event, access to the school will be limited to the gymnasium only.

Grade Six Celebration: After the assembly is over, our grade six students will play their drums as they leave gymnasium. They will then move to the front of the school where each grade six student will receive a celebratory cupcake. Parents are invited to join their students to take photos.

Student Belongings: Most student items will be sent home before the last day of school. If your child has items that need to be collected, our staff will ensure that their items leave with them at dismissal time at 11:53 a.m. on June 25th.

Should you have any questions, please contact Barb Ziler, Principal, at 250-567-2258 or via email at hziler@sd91.bc.ca

Dates to Remember

Jun 19 - National Indigenous People's Day

Jun 22 - Float your Boat AM
Waterfight PM

Jun 23 - Intermediate Bike Park
Date PM

Primary Sports Day PM

Jun 24 - EDS Fun Run

Jun 25 - Last day of School

Assembly at 10:00

Dismissal at 11:53

June Birthdays

Meikah M.
Lincoln P.
Sidra A.
Adelynn K.
Emerson Y.
Oryis B.
Sam N.
Brenden I.
Alyz J.
Zander G.
Ezra U.
Ashlynn D.P.



NVSS GRADS OF 2026



July Birthdays

Rose B. Ava A.
Rayah F. Austin R.
Dylan H. Adalyn B.
Lazare M. Grayson M.
Mathew A. Nicolas F.
Jacob A. Jaeden R.
Aubree C. Loxley M.
Hudson M. Taliah P.
Ronen E. Charlotte Q.
Nicholas U.



DISTRICT OF VANDERHOOF PRESENTS

CANADA DAY 

WEDNESDAY JULY 1, 2026

08:00 am - 3:00 pm

VANDERHOOF TOURISM & CULTURAL CENTRE
478 1st St W, Vanderhoof, BC

KIDS DECORATED BIKE CONTEST

Join our Kids' Canada Day Bike Parade at the Museum! Bring your decorated bicycle in your best Canada Day theme for a chance to win prizes!

Please bring your own lawn chairs to enjoy the free entertainment!

- Mary John Walk, 6:00 am bus from VTCC to Saik'uz
- Pancake Breakfast by NVHS 8am - 11am (free)
- Centre of BC Monument unveiling
- Live entertainment
- Chucks Food Service
- Kids Crafts (free)
- Sparkle Tattoos (free)
- Balloon Twisting (free)
- Face painting, nail polish, and yard games with YMCA (free)
- Herma by Value Mobile (free)
- RCMP, Fire Dept, and EMS will have vehicles on display
- ...and so much more!





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Little Movers 10am-11am 3-5 Yrs Outdoor Fun 11:30am-12:30pm 3-5 Yrs Go Wild! 3:30PM-4:30PM 6-12 Yrs	Tiny Tumblers 10am-11am 3-5 Yrs Mini Explore - 11:30am-12:30m 3-5 Yrs Outdoor Explore 3:30-4:30PM 6-12 Yrs	Y Theatre 10am-11am 3-5 Yrs Ocean Animals 11:30am-12:30pm 3-5 Yrs Y Sports- 3:30PM 4:30PM 6-12 Yrs	Little Artists 10am-11am 3-5 Yrs Summer Crafts 11:30am-12:30pm 3-5 Yrs Summer Crafts 3:30-4:30pm 6-12 Yrs	Summer Splash 11:30am-12:30pm Yrs Summer Splash 3:30PM - 4:30PM 6-12 Yrs		
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Facility Hours
 Monday–Friday • 8:00am–5:30pm
 186 Columbia Street, Vanderhoof

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

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Rural and Remote Teacher Education Program (RRED)
 BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

Short-term Housing in Vanderhoof Wanted

SD 91 and UBC's Rural and Remote Teacher Education program (RRED) are partnering to offer a 3-week teacher education summer residency in the north. Accommodation for students while they attend classes in Vanderhoof from August 4-21, 2026 is needed.

Most of our students are already experienced educators. They are people changing careers to become teachers in the north, so great short-term rental tenants!

Add your rental housing to our list:



Want to host a student(s)? Please include:

- Dates available
- Approx. location / neighbourhood
- Number of bedrooms, bathrooms
- Price for 3 weeks
- Other amenities (access to a yard, parking, etc.)
- Photos
- Your name, phone & email

Questions?
 Contact Mike Skinner at mskinner@sd91.bc.ca
 or RRED's Admin Assistant Melanie Leeming at rred.educ@ubc.ca

<https://teach.educ.ubc.ca/bachelor-of-education-program/rural-and-remote-program/>



Beaver Pelt Presentation

🔔 LIBRARY DEADLINES: End of Year Book Return! 📚 🏠

📅 The First Week of June:

📖 The first week of June is your last chance to sign out books before the school year ends. 🟡

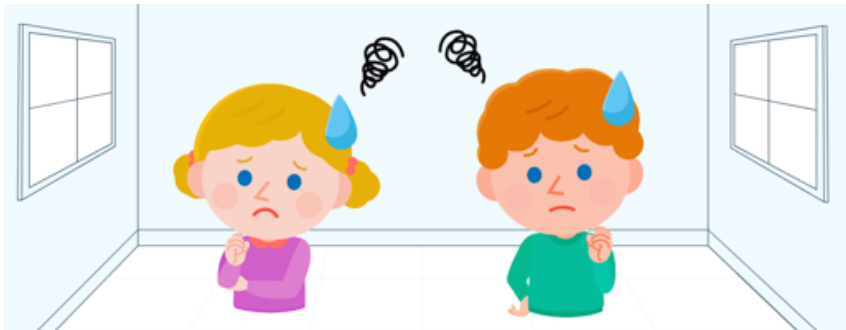
📅 June 8 – 12:

Time to bring them back! 🕒 ALL library books are due back to the library during the week of June 8th to 12th. 📚 🏠

📅 June 15 – 19:

Overdue notices and fines will be sent home for any missing items. 📧 📧

👉 Check those backpacks 🎒, lockers 🗄️, and bookshelves 📚 at home to get your returns in on time! 🙌 ✨



Taming Worry Dragons

Registration Required by July 13th | Free 4-week Program | Limited Space

Taming Worry Dragons is a fun, practical group that helps children and families learn ways to understand and manage worry and anxiety. Through activities and skill building, children and parents/caregivers will learn strategies to help “tame” worries at home, school and in everyday life.

Families are encouraged to attend together when possible, but children or parents/caregivers may also attend on their own

Ages: 8 - 12 years
Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays July 21-August 11, 2026
Time: 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Location: Connexus Boardroom
157 W. Victoria Street, Vanderhoof
(children will walk to Riverside Place for their session)

For more information & to register, please contact:

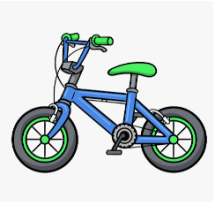
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Don't forget to
check out the
Lost and Found!
As of June 22nd all
remaining items will
be donated.





BIKE RODEO!!

