



150 Mile Elementary

August School Newsletter



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On behalf of the school staff, I'd like to welcome all students and parents back to school this year, with a special welcome to our new Kindergarten students and their families. All new Kindergarten

students are invited to 'Popsicles in the Park' On September 2nd, at 1:00pm for a quick welcome, tour and popsicle. Cariboo Partners for Literacy will also be attending and providing a book for all students. The event will be in the back of the school by the Big Toy.

At 150 Mile Elementary you are always welcome in the school. If you wish to have a meeting with a teacher, please phone ahead to book a convenient time. Just a reminder, please check in at the office when visiting the school.

First Day Procedures

Students and parents, to start the school year we will plan to get students into their classes with their assigned teacher right away. Class lists will be posted at the main doors on the afternoon of Thursday, September 3rd. Classes are all currently full but conditions may arise at the beginning of the year that requires a rebalancing of classes from unexpected arrivals or departures.

On the first day of school **all students will meet at the back of the school** and be moved into each of their classes. Once each teacher has their class, they will take them into the school and get them settled in. If the weather is rain, we will bring all students into the gym to organize them. Class lists will be posted and called out to help students find their teachers.

Important Dates

- Wednesday, September 2nd 'Popsicles in the Park' 1:00pm
- Tuesday, September 8th Planning Day – no students
- Wednesday, Sept 9th School Opens ½ day
- Friday, Sept 11th PAC Welcome Back BBQ 4:00-6:00pm
- Monday, September 21st Pro-D Day - no school
- Wednesday, Sept 30th National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – no school

The September 9th is a ½ day. School starts at 8:05am and will dismiss is 10:35am.

Buses will depart the school starting at 10:42am

News Letters

All school newsletters will be sent home by email please ensure you have provided the school with your current email addresses.



Class Configurations

Many parents and students may be wondering why class configurations are the way they are, for example: why so many split grades when a whole class could be made, or I want my child in a different class? Some reasons are: there is contractual language that limits class sizes to certain numbers as well contractual language that regulates class composition (how many students with special learning needs can be in a class). Combining the above-mentioned factors with our personal knowledge of specific students we have tried to build classes that will provide a positive learning environment that meets the academic, social-emotional and physical needs for everyone.



Regular School Schedule **(***note the 1st day – Wednesday, Sept 9th, is a ½ day)**

8:05am	School Starts
9:35-9:50am	Recess
11:20-12:05pm	Lunch (students play outside first, then eat in their classes at approximately 11:45am)
2:05pm	School Ends

Calling in Absences

At 150 Mile Elementary we feel regular attendance is a crucial component for school success. If students are ill or cannot attend for any other reasons, parents or guardians need to notify the School Messenger system at 1 (833) 582-6944, using the phone app, or calling the school. <https://go.schoolmessenger.com> Poor attendance can be directly linked to poor school performance, please do everything possible to ensure your child attends school regularly.

Parents' Advisory Committee (PAC)

A strong relationship between the school and parents is very important in a child's education, and one way of being involved with the school is to be a member of the PAC. Through a PAC's dedication and hard work, they are able to provide many "extras" for students throughout the year. We are hoping that the same will be true this year, The PAC always welcomes new members, come join the 'family'!



The date and time for the first PAC meeting of the year, is Tuesday, September 22nd in the Library @ 5:30pm

After School Care

Please call the school and we will direct you to Karlee to pass along a message, or you can call her directly at 778 267 1504.



School Supplies

Parents, guardians and caregivers are required to purchase your own child's school supplies for the year. For gym - runners, backpacks and the re-useable water bottle, please put their names on these items in permanent marker. If you cannot afford to purchase school supplies, please contact the school.

Intermediate (Grade 4 – Grade 6)

- 1 Package thick tip markers (12 – pack)
- 1 Package fine tip markers (12 -pack)
- 1 Package pencil crayons (24 - pack)
- 1 Package wax crayons (24 pack)
- 1 Scissors – 7"
- 2 Erasers – white
- 2 Glue Stick – large white 40g
- 1 Liquid glue
- 3 packages HB Pencils (10pk)
- 1 Pencil Sharpener
- 1 Pencil case - soft
- 10 Blue/black pens
- 5 Red pens
- 2 black sharpies (fine tip)
- 1 Ruler 30cm/12-inch (if possible)
- 1 Duotang paper - red
- 1 Duotang paper - blue
- 1 Duotang paper - green
- 1 Duotang paper - yellow
- 1 Lined paper (400 sheets)
- 1 Binder 1.5-inch
- 2 Dividers for binders (5 pack)
- 2 highlighters
- 1 box of Kleenex
- 1 calculator
- 1 headphones
- 1 Indoor Shoes (gym)

Primary (Kindergarten – Grade 3)

- 2 ½ & ½ Inter-lined exercise book
- 2 Fully interlined exercise book
- 2 Hilroy 72 pages plain exercise book
- 1 Crayola 24 package wax crayons
- 1 Crayola WASHABLE markers fine tip
- 1 Crayola WASHABLE markers wide tip
- 1 Pencil crayons (24) pack)
- 1 Scissors – 5” blunt
- 4 Erasers – white
- 4 Glue Stick – large white 40g
- 1 Glue – large bottle white 120ml
- 2 HB Pencils (12pk)
- 1 Plastic box pencil case
- 4 highlighters
- 1 Duotang paper - red
- 1 Duotang paper - blue
- 1 Duotang paper - green
- 1 Duotang paper - yellow
- 1 Duotang paper – orange
- 1 Duotang paper - black
- 1 Duotang paper – purple
- 1 Backpack Pouch / fabric zipper bag
- 1 headphones
- 1 box Kleenex
- 1 Indoor Shoes (gym)
- 1 Spill proof water bottle

Staffing

Mr. Munroe – Principal
Mrs. Benedet – Secretary
Mrs. McKimm – Grade 6
Mrs. Vath – Grade 5-6
Mrs. Donaldson – Grade 4-5
Mrs. Davis – Grade 3-4
Mrs. C. Neufeld – Grade 3-4
Mrs. Bowers – Grade 2-3
Mrs. Macdonald – Grade 1-2
Mrs. Coulombe – Kindergarten - Grade 1
Mrs. Fichtner – Kindergarten
Mrs. Knevel – Learning Support Teacher
Mr. Kovach – Teacher Librarian
Ms. I. Charley – Shuswap Teacher

Ms. S. Charley – Shuswap Teacher
Mrs. V. Neufeld – Music Teacher
Mrs. Rosborough – Educational Assistant
Mrs. Gentles– Educational Assistant
Mrs. Graham – Educational Assistant
Mrs. Hewlett – Educational Assistant
Mrs. Woods – Educational Assistant
Mrs. Guimond – Indigenous Support Worker
Ms. Flanagan – Strong Start Coordinator
Mrs. Peach – Youth Engagement Worker
Mr. Turner – Custodian
Mrs. Griswold – Custodian
Mrs. Patenaude – Library Aide

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2026-2027



DATE	DESCRIPTION
September 7, 2026	Labour Day Holiday (School Closed)
September 8, 2026	Planning / Administration Day (<i>Students do not attend</i>)
September 9, 2026	First Day of School (Shortened By 2.5 Hours)
September 21, 2026	Pro-D / Non-Instructional Day (Students Do Not Attend)
September 30, 2026	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
October 12, 2026	Thanksgiving Day Holiday
October 23, 2026	Pro-D / Non-Instructional Day (Students Do Not Attend)
October 27 & 28, 2026	Parent Teacher Interviews (School day shortened by 1 hour)
November 11, 2026	Remembrance Day Holiday (School Closed)
November 23, 2026	Pro-D / Non-Instructional Day (Students Do Not Attend)
December 21, 2026– January 1, 2027	Winter Break (School Closed)
January 4, 2027	First Day Back After Winter Break
February 12, 2027	Pro-D / Non-Instructional Day (Students Do Not Attend)
February 15, 2027	Family Day (School Closed)
March 15 – 25, 2027	Spring Break (School Closed)
March 26, 2027	Good Friday (School Closed)
March 29, 2027	Easter Monday (School Closed)
March 30, 2027	First Day Back After Spring Break
April 13 & 14, 2027	Parent Teacher Interviews (School day shortened by 1 hour)
April 16, 2027	Pro-D / Non-Instructional Day (Students Do Not Attend)
May 24, 2027	Victoria Day Holiday (School Closed)
June 29, 2027	Last Day Students Attend School
June 30, 2027	Planning / Administration Day (School Closed)

Bus Schedule 2026-2027

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Morning Buses

BUS #	AREA	ARRIVAL	DRIVER
15	Pigeon Rd, Brouse, Moore, Typar, Wise Pl	7:34 AM	Karen
1	Knife Cr, Enterprise, Maze Lk, 140 Mile, Rodney, Rodeo	7:42 AM	Sis
2	Allpress Rd, Ferguson Rd, Frontier Sub, Valley, Huston	7:52 AM	Gayle
20	Lexington, Quigli, Sugarcane, Mission	7:50 AM	Kristen
13	Spokin Lk up to Jackpine on Spokin Lake	7:54 AM	Lise
7	Horsefly Rd, Jessica Lk, Tonka, Branch Dr, Rose Dr, Junction Rd	7:54 AM	Nola
15	Luy's, Redeau, Picnic Tables, English Co	7:55 AM	Karen
16	Big Lake, Likely Rd into the 150	7:56 AM	Maria

Afternoon Buses

BUS #	AREA	DEPARTS	DRIVER
23	McGregor, Call's, Valley, Alpress, Rose, Tonka, Jessica Lk	2:12 PM	Les
13	Junction Rd, Horsefly Rd, Spokin Lk Rd	2:12 PM	Lise
1	Rodeo, Rodney, 140 Mile, Enterprise, Maze Lk	2:12 PM	Sis
10	Frontier Sub, Ferguson, Patenaude, Kengin, Pioneer, Skulow Lk	2:12 PM	Mandy
15	Valley, Huston, Borland, 150 Town Bus	2:12 PM	Karen
20	Mission, Sugarcane, Lexington, White	2:12PM	Kristen