

NEWSLETTER

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NECHAKO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
61 Nightingale Street, Kitimat, BC
Phone: 250-632-2912

May 2023

MAY

Haisla Words ḡá'islak'ala

q'asdisa: Lunchtime (gas dees da)

nolaq'ini: Magic (naw la gwe nee)



CMSD SEEKING RENTAL PROPERTIES FOR NEW EMPLOYEES

If you have a rental property and you would like to explore the opportunity to rent your property to teaching professionals, School District 82 invites you to contact us at rentals@cmsd.bc.ca.

Alternatively, we provide a link to the following CMSD82 flyer for sharing with family, friends and/or acquaintances for their interest in an opportunity to rent property to teaching professionals:

[CMSD82 Flyer – Seeking Rental Properties in Kitimat, Terrace & Hazelton Areas for New Employees](#)



Student drop off/pick up is located only at the Skate Park parking lot.

The staff parking area and bus loop are for staff drivers only.

MAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

21 May – National Indigenous
People's Day

22 May – Victoria Day

26 May – Non-Instructional Day

JOIN THE NECHAKO PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

If parents and guardians haven't already done so, please join the [Nechako PAC page on Facebook](#). The PAC is currently holding a poll to gather information on interest in possible future fundraisers.

It's also an opportunity for parents and guardians that would like to learn or share information between one another.

2023-2024 BUS REGISTRATIONS

Letters went home this month for next year's bus registration.

Please review and submit by 31 May 2023

A form must be submitted to ride the bus.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Nechako Elementary is looking for Parent Volunteers

Interested parties can inquire at the school office.



Kindergarteners participating in Drumming and Dancing with Shelley and Cassidy Bolton



Students in Mrs. Barbosa and Ms. Boguski's class are learning about the Rights of the Child. They had to carve a design into a foam plate and use it for printmaking. Many students were able to create beautiful prints for the classroom. Beautiful work, Grade 5!



STUDENT ABSENCES

If you would like to report an absence, you can leave a message on the school answering machine at (250) 632-2912.

The phone is not manned between 3:20PM and 8:45AM, and during the Lunch Hour.



YOUR CHILD IS THIRSTY



SEND A LABELED WATER BOTTLE



Mr. Gray and Ms. Swaddling's classes assisted Mrs. Stannus in preparing the garden beds with fresh soil.

This was a busy day for them. Simultaneously, many of them took part in planting a maple tree, generously donated by the Kitimat Airshed Group.



On Friday, 28 April 2023, the *Kitimat Airshed Group* planted a maple tree at *Nechako Elementary* to celebrate *Earth Day*.



Every Child, Every Day: Elements of Effective Reading Instruction

- Every child, everyday reads something her or she has chosen.
- Every child reads accurately. Research shows that reading at 98% or higher accuracy is essential for reading acceleration.
- Every child talks with his or her peers about reading and writing. Research has demonstrated that conversation with peers improves comprehension and engagement with text.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS

Reminder that the deadline for Kindergarten Registrations has been met, but we are still accepting registrations for the 2023-2024 school year. It is important that they be submitted as soon as possible to ensure enough space for all students.

Common Language at Nechako

As the year progresses, we continue, and will continue, to work on our School Growth Plan that focuses on our Code of Conduct (*Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful, and Kind*) and strategies to deal with [stress](#), [anxiety](#), and [anger](#). We use Common Language that all children can use.

Ask your children about: Power of the Pause, 60 Sec Fix, and Walk It Off.

We work everyday on our WITS Program, which stands for-

WALK AWAY,
IGNORE IT,
TALK IT OUT, and
SEEK HELP!

Children are reminded to use their words when having a conflict, such as: "Stop, I don't like that," and "how can we meet half way?"

Students are ultimately responsible for their own behaviour. That is why we reinforce with them the common idea:

"I cannot control anyone else, but I can control-

MYSELF;
My thoughts;
My words;
My Choices;
My Actions; and
My Reactions."

Kitimat Airshed Group Coloring Contest



azcoloring.com

What does clean air mean to you?

Name:

www.kitimatairshedgroup.com

Kitimat Airshed Group Tree Planting Coloring Contest

The Kitimat Airshed Group (KAG) is a non-profit organization that provides air quality education and programs.

On April 28, 2023, we had the privilege of planting a maple tree at Nechako Elementary School to create a lasting legacy of clean air. Thank you to Mr. Mills and Mr. Gray for your assistance with this amazing project!

Please complete the colouring page and return it to the school by May 5, 2023, to enter into KAG's tree planting colouring contest! There is one basket for primary and one for intermediate.

The winner will be drawn randomly, announced at the school on May 8, and receive their prize!

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