

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

Oct. 2023

OCTOBER

Haisla Words ᖃá'islaᖃ'ala

Human being: bag°anum (boo gwan num)

Human beings: bibag°anum (bee ba gwan num)



STUDENT PICTURE DAY

Student picture day is on 25 October. Please remember to wear your best smile.



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.

OCTOBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

2 Oct – National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
9 Oct – Thanksgiving Day
14 Oct – Celebration of Life
16 Oct – Interim Reports Home
20 Oct – Non-Instructional Day
25 October – **Picture Day**
10 November – Remembrance Day

SUBWAY DAY ORDERS

Be on the lookout for Subway Order Forms that have gone home.



NECHAKO SAYS GOODBYE TO LEVI

Join us as we Celebrate the Life of Levi Alexander Gardiner, beloved son of Matt and Michelle, and brother of Dylan Gardiner. The Celebration of Life will take place on Saturday, 14 Oct at Nechako School in the gym from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

In Lieu of flowers, the Gardiners ask that you donate to www.scn2a.org. (SCN2-Autism and Epilepsy: Families SCN2A Foundation).

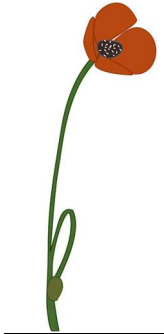
STUDENT ABSENCES



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.

REMEMBRANCE DAY (in lieu of 11 NOV)



Nechako's Remembrance Day will be held on Friday, 10 November in lieu of 11 November.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER



The weather is getting colder and wetter. Please ensure that students are dressed for the weather, both inside and out.

YOUR CHILD IS THIRSTY



**SEND A
LABELED
WATER BOTTLE**

Thank you to the parent volunteers for helping with the Grade 3 Bakesale!



Orange Shirt Day at Nechako



Should you have questions or concerns regarding bus routing and scheduling, the following steps are suggested:

1. Contact the Operations Manager at Diversified Transportation bus lines at 250-635-7042 or 1-855-538-5287 for out of town.

[2023-24 Kitimat & Kitimaat Village Return to School Message & Bus Schedules](#)



NECHAKO'S FIRST POTATO HARVEST

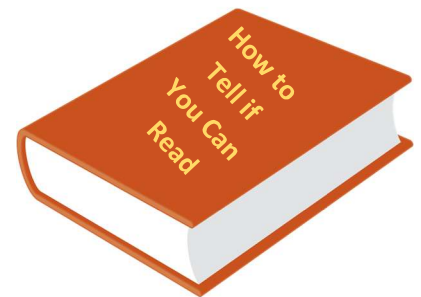


Nechako harvested from its garden this month. Among the bountiful harvest were buckets of potatoes, as well as other root vegetables, and even some pumpkins!

Students will have the opportunity to transform their work into tasty treats.

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.



HAISLA DRUMMING

Thank you and welcome back to Cassidy and Shelley Bolton for their wonderful drumming sessions with the students at Nechako.



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."