



SEPTEMBER 2019

MISSION STATEMENT:

Logan Lake Elem-Sec is a safe family of learners who value passionate effort and respectful.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to all of our students and staff at LLES and LLESS. I trust that everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable summer and you were able to take advantage of the relatively smoke-free and warm conditions. We are excited to see the increased enrollment numbers at both of our campuses. Our enrolment is far beyond our projections from last spring. We are asking for the patience of parents, students and staff as we reorganize classes and individual courses in an attempt to cater to each learner's needs and provide them with the best opportunities for a successful year ahead.

As you know, we are very excited to have the players from the Logan Lake Miners Hockey Academy joining our cohort at LLESS. The addition of the senior students has enabled us to add additional courses to our timetable which provides our senior students with increased opportunities. The boys have already been a welcome addition to our community. They have and will continue to volunteer at many school and community-based events while they are here. We send a warm welcome to Coach Carlsen and all of the players.

With the start of the new school year comes the opportunity to welcome new staff. Joining our staff at LLESS this year will be Mr. Hall who will be teaching Social Studies, French and English, Ms. Babcock who will be teaching Math and Sciences, Ms. Schrader who has joined us as our new secretary, and Ms. Holdsworth who has as joined as a Certified Educational Assistant and will be immersed in many classes. They will be a great complement to our existing staff.

Joining our staff at LLES we have Ms. Boryszko who will be teaching our Kindergarten class, Ms. Semenoff who will teach our grade K/1 class, Ms. Tondevold who will be our prep coverage teacher for all grades teaching fine arts and Ms. Parenteau who is our new secretary. The new staff are eager to join the existing staff and are committed to providing an excellent educational experience for our students.

I would also like to send a special thank you out to our LLESS grads of 2019. They have graciously donated surplus fundraising funds to purchase an additional three chromebooks to add to our collection at LLES. In addition, they have contributed funds to sponsor an award for one of our 2020 grads. Thank you and best wishes to all of our 2019 grads and their parents for their support.

A reminder to our parents that we have a very supportive PAC at LLES and LLESS. All parents are encouraged to become PAC members. Several positions have been vacated by parents so they will be nominating new members at the first PAC meeting on Sept 10/19 at 8:45 at LLES in the conference room. Our PAC serves as a great collaborative role in our schools with a primary focus on our learning environment and supporting student centered initiatives. They are not fundraising positions but rather opportunities to be a part of goal setting and planning to enhance our overall educational programs. Come out and make a difference in your child's education by being part of the discussions and decisions that impact our schools. The schedule for upcoming meetings will be determined by the PAC at the first meeting so, I encourage you to join our PAC and make a difference.

As I enter my second full year at LLES and LLESS, I look forward to continuing to work hard for our students, staff and community. I look forward to working with our caring, capable and courageous students, parents, and community to create the best positive learning experiences. Let's have another great year at LLES and LLESS.

As always, please feel free to email, call or drop in to see me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Ron Collins – Principal



VAPING/VAPE PRODUCTS

Through direction from SD 73, students will not be permitted to use vapes and/or vape products on school district property. If a student is found to be breaching these conditions, the vape/vape products will be confiscated and dealt with accordingly.

Repeated breaches of the Code of Conduct in relation to vape devices will be treated as defiance and will be subject to progressive discipline, which may include suspension from school or referral to the District Office. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms around vapes and/or vape products, please contact the administration at the school.

DRESS CODE

We are in the process of revising our Dress Code at LLESS. Through consultation with our staff and PAC in the next few weeks, our goal is to present the new policy to our learning community within the next month. During our Grade meetings to be held this week, we will inform students of appropriate/inappropriate attire for the educational environment we have at school. Posters, which will be displayed throughout the school, have been created to illustrate what is acceptable and what is not. Please feel free to drop by the school to view the posters and provide us with your feedback.

NUT SENSITIVE SCHOOL

We have a student who is severely allergic to nuts. This allergy means eating anything that contains nuts can be life threatening to our student. In addition, touching surfaces that nuts have been on can also be life threatening. Please take this into consideration when packing your child's lunch.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

PAC MEETING

All parents are invited to attend the PAC meetings. The next meeting is Sept. 10th at 8:45 am at the Elementary school in the Conference Room. We look forward to seeing you there!

MEDICAL ALERT

Students in the school that have been diagnosed with a potentially life threatening conditions such as:

- Diabetes
- Epilepsy/Seizures
- Anaphylaxis and/or history of severe allergic reactions
- Severe asthma
- Other conditions which may require emergency care



please ensure you have completed a Medical Alert Planning form or an Anaphylactic Student Emergency Procedure Plan Form. If you have not completed them for the 2019-20 school year, please contact the school to make an appointment to do so as quickly as possible.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

SD73 offers a program that allows families to purchase school supplies directly through the school at a savings. This once a year charge ensures your child will always be equipped with the proper school supplies. Grade 5-7 fees = \$57

School fees are due by Wednesday, September 25th. We accept cash/cheque. If paying by cheque please make it payable to Logan Lake Secondary or LLESS. Should you choose to purchase your own school supplies, your child's classroom teacher will provide a list of the required materials.

Secondary students course fees will be sent home by the end of this month, or soon after.

IMPORTANT FORMS!

Several forms were handed out to students last week, they included; Verification Form, Off School Ground Permission Form and Inside/Outside Media Consent Forms, GEDU and Technology Use.

Please be sure to sign and return these forms to the school as soon as possible.

AB ED FORMS

The Ministry of Education provides enhanced funding to districts and schools for students with Aboriginal ancestry. Enhanced funding provides programs to support the success of all Aboriginal students. Students who are identified on their enrolment as having Aboriginal ancestry have the opportunity to participate and benefit from programs and services that boost achievement, engagement, culture and/or language. Parents do not need to have proof of Aboriginal ancestry to identify. There are over 60 thousand students in BC who self-identify as being of Aboriginal (First Nations, Metis, or Inuit) ancestry.

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

Transportation Assistance may be granted in accordance with the public school act to parents/legal guardians, if the distance to a designated school is more than 4.8 km.

Application forms are available at the school office. A reminder to parents who are eligible for SD#73 Transportation Assistance that a new application must be completed each year.

PHOTO DAY

Photo Day for individual student photos will be held on Friday September 27, 2019. Proofs will be sent home at a later date and retakes are scheduled for Wednesday Oct. 23rd for anyone who is interested.



CREATIVE KIDS

Starts Tuesday Sept 10, 2019

Creative Kids is an after school program for elementary school aged children. It takes place Tuesday and Thursday from 2:35 - 4:30 pm in the Elementary School Gymnasium. This wonderful program is free of charge and put on by the Logan Lake WHY. Please be sure to register your child at the Logan Lake WHY office. All children must be registered prior to attending.

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

We are actively looking for parent volunteers who would like to assist us with our Hot Lunch Program. If this is something you may be interested in please contact Mr. Collins at 250-523-9441 for more information.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Big thanks to Cobbs Bakery for supporting and sponsoring our school's breakfast program once again this year!

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews will take place on Thursday, Oct 10th, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm and from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. No appointments are necessary. It will be an early dismissal for students.

TERRY FOX RUN

The Annual Terry Fox School Run will be on Friday, Sept 27th. Our LLESS elementary students will be joining LLES students at Maggs Park to walk or run around the lake in support of cancer research. Students will be collecting "Toonies for Terry" prior to the event and all proceeds raised will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation.



TRADES AND TRANSITIONS



If you are interested in any TNT programs or would like some information about trades, please see Mr. Howard. We have a few different activities slated for the next month or so, 'The McQueen Lake Environment Camp' and 'Take Your Kids to Work'.

Watch for more information on the TNT bulletin board in the main hallway.

ONE TO ONE READING

Do you have 2 hours a week during school hours to read one-on-one with young students? The ONE TO ONE Children's Literacy Program needs you. No experience is necessary, we provide free training and ongoing support. Tutors read with 3 students for 30 minutes each at a local elementary school once a week, either morning or afternoon, for 12 weeks. They develop a relationship with their students and see them grow as readers. What a rewarding volunteer experience!

Fall 2019 Training Sessions

Monday, September 30th

9:00 am - 12:00 noon

OR

Thursday, October 3rd

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm



Sessions held at the Henry Grube Education Centre – 245 Kitchener Crescent

To register for a Training Session or for more information, contact Mrs. Mackenzie at 205-523-9441.

RAISING DIGITALLY RESPONSIBLE YOUTH

When: Wed, September 25, 2019 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Where: Henry Grube Ed Centre

As a convenience, we will video conference this event from the LLESS school VC room.

Who: For Parents of School-Aged Children

Please join us for an informative presentation which will cover the following topics and more!

- **Social Media Update** – The most current apps & trends in their social media lives
- **Pick Your Battles!** – You will have to balance the yin with the yang, promote independence whilst taking a strong stance on certain subjects
- **Current Research** – Brain development & technology, violent video games
- **Digital Footprint and Reputation** – With their future approaching, recruiters and employers are taking note – what will they find?

Tips and Tricks to Use at Home

SAFER SCHOOLS TOGETHER—an organization focused on promoting a climate and culture of safety in schools through comprehensive education -www.saferschoolstogether.com



IMPORTANT DATES 2019-2020

Non-Instructional Day - No School	Mon, Sept 23
School Photos - Individual	Fri, Sept 27
Raise a Reader Gr 5-7	Wed, Sept 25
Terry Fox Run	Thur, Sept 26
Orange Shirt Day	Mon, Sept 30
Parent Teacher Interviews	Thur, Oct.10
Thanksgiving Day - No School	Mon, Oct 14
Photo Retakes	Wed, Oct 23
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Fri, Oct 25
Assembly for Remembrance Day	Fri, Nov 8
Remembrance Day - No School	Mon, Nov 11
Report Cards Gr 8 -12	Thur, Nov 21
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Mon, Dec 3
Holiday Lunch	Fri, Dec 13
Christmas Concert	Thur, Dec 19
PJ Day	Fri, Dec 20
Winter vacation period	Dec 21 – Jan 5
School Reopens	Mon, Jan 6
Project Completion Day	Jan 23 & Jan 24
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Fri, Feb 7
Family Day - No School in Session	Mon, Feb 17
Spring vacation period	Mar 14- Mar 22
Day of Suwentwecw/Recognition	Fri, Apr 3
Good Friday & Easter Monday	Apr 10 & Apr 13
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Mon, April 27
Pancake Breakfast	Fri, May 8
Non-Instructional Day - No School	Fri, May 15
Victoria Day	Mon, May 18
Grad Commencement	Fri, June 5
Gr 7 Grade & FN Grad	Mon, June 8
Athletic Banquet	Tue, June 9
Last Day Classes Gr 8-12	Tuse, June 23
Last Day of Classes Gr 5-7 / Year End Assembly/all grades/Report cards	Thur, June 27
Administrative Day - No School	Fri, Jun 26

LLES BELL SCHEDULE

8:25 am WARNING BELL

8:30-9:47 am PERIOD 1 (77 minutes)

9:47-9:52 am *transition time*

9:52-11:09 am PERIOD 2 (77 minutes)

11:09-11:26 am **BREAK** (17 minutes)

11:21 am WARNING BELL

11:26-12:43 am PERIOD 3 (77 minutes)

12:43-1:38 am **LUNCH** (55 minutes)

1:34 pm WARNING BELL

1:38-2:55 pm PERIOD 4 (77 minutes)

Elem grades 5-7 dismissed at 2:27 pm

SAFE ARRIVAL – SCHOOL MESSENGER

Parents, if you need to report a student's absence, please use our new safe arrival system called SchoolMessenger. The best and easiest way is by downloading the SchoolMessenger App. (The app will have a blue/white icon.)

You may also go online to <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>



Please make sure you are using the .ca site. The toll free number to report a student's absence is 1-844-350-2647. If you have any questions or concerns about the system, you may contact Ms.Schrader at 250-523-9441.