



ARDEN ELEMENTARY

week at a Glance
SEPT 18-29, 2023

Monday Sept 18	Tuesday Sept 19	Wednesday Sept 20	Thursday Sept 21	Friday Sept 22
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PAC Meeting – Library 6:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wheelie Wednesday begins		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Fees due• Terry Fox Day
Monday Sept 25	Tuesday Sept 26	Wednesday Sept 27	Thursday Sept 28	Friday Sept 29
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Div 9,10,11,12 to Paradise Meadows	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wheelie Wednesday• Photo Day		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Orange Shirt Day• Fire Drill 9:40am

Looking ahead:

Sept. 26th – Intermediates to Paradise Meadows

Sept. 27 – Photo Day

Sept. 29th - Orange Shirt Day

Sept. 30 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Oct. 2nd – **No School Day** (National Day for Truth and Reconciliation)

Oct. 9th – Thanksgiving Day- **No School**

Oct. 20th – Pro-D Day – **Schools Closed**

Nov. 13th – Remembrance Day – **Schools Closed**



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Hello everyone,

We made it through a fun-filled week. As you can see above we jump into some more activities next week. We have our first PAC meeting, Wheelie Wednesday and Terry Fox day.

Just a reminder that on Wednesdays we will park across the street at the church (in the back please) to make way for our Wheelers.

Please be extra careful in the parking lot. We had the arrows on the ground changed, but they did it incorrectly and we are going to ask for them to be changed once again. In the meantime, please just keep your heads up.

Bike locks – Please send your child to school with a bike lock (if they are bringing a bike 😊) I will try and get some extras for the office just in case they forget.

Reminders:

Self-Identification of Indigenous Ancestry (First Nations, Métis, or Inuit)

Indigenous Education Services in School District #71 (Comox Valley) offers various supports and opportunities to over 1,750 students of Indigenous Ancestry. Our goal is to enrich the educational opportunities for all our Indigenous students. The focus for our service is to enhance all Indigenous students' understanding of their heritage, their sense of belonging and the personal belief that they can be successful in the British Columbia public school system.



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Indigenous Ancestry is determined on a voluntary basis through verbal self-identification. This includes First Nations (Status or Non-Status), Métis or Inuit Ancestry. We do not require further documentation. Ancestry may go back several generations and a Status Card is not required.

For more information or if you have any questions, please speak with the Indigenous Support Worker assigned to your school (sandi.phye@sd71.bc.ca) or contact our office at 250-331-4040 or email indigenous.education@sd71.bc.ca

Backpack Buddies will be available again this year for any families interested. Please email our YFPW at deanna.caswell@sd71.bc.ca if you are interested in this program. For any families not familiar with this program, please see attached document.

The Breakfast Program will also continue to run this year. Healthy choices are available starting at 8:00. We do provide take away bags to ensure all students are able to transition to class by the bell. If you have any questions, please contact our YFPW, Ms. Dee. deanna.caswell@sd71.bc.ca

Student Verification Forms

Student verification forms have been sent home or will be sent home on Monday to confirm contact information. Email will be the main source of communication between school and home. Please ensure your contact information is current and up to date.

Please feel free to email me with any questions or comments at andrew.ferneyhough@sd71.bc.ca

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