

# CRESCENT PARK NEWS



**Crescent Park Elementary School**  
School District #59 (Peace River South)  
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*Respectful, Responsible,  
Ready to Learn and Safe*

## **PARENTS AT SCHOOL**

If you are coming to the school, please check in at the office. Anything being dropped off should come to the office to minimize interruptions in the classrooms.

When signing your child out please note we have added a parent signature spot to the form.

## **PLAYING OUTSIDE**

Please be sure that your child is dressed for cold weather: winter coat and boots, mitts, hat, scarf and snow pants. If it is colder than -20°C (including the wind chill factor) we will stay inside. Otherwise students go outside every day.

## Safety of Students (Including Higher Risk Activities) Regulation 4555.10.3 tobogganing.

If your child wants to participate in tobogganing/sliding, we will have an area dedicated for sliding down the hill with toboggans/sliders. Students who want to use sliders/toboggans need to bring and wear a CSA helmet for safety. The helmet must be appropriate for winter, eg. hockey, skiing, snowboarding, not bike helmets.

## **HOLIDAY CARIVAL**

The Holiday Carnival was a huge success. We hope everyone had as much fun as we did. The food bank and SPCA donations were very much appreciated.

To everyone who contributed to our Furry Friends donations for the S.P.C.A. We collected 4 boxes, 5 bags of dog and cat supplies and also accepted \$85 in cash donations. Thank you so very much!

Miss Fraser's class



**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

**School District No. 59 will be accepting registration for Kindergarten for the 2025 – 2026 school year, starting January 7, 2025**

**Eligibility:**  
**Children must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2025.**

**Please visit your catchment area school to register.**  
*For more information on catchment areas call 250-782-8571.*

**Registration Dates:**  
**Ongoing for all schools**

**Bring child's birth certificate at the time of registration.**

**Early registration is encouraged to ensure adequate space is available for September 2025.**

*Some schools may schedule registration only on certain days or during certain hours. Please check with the school in your catchment area.*

School District 59 - Peace River South

**Registration Begins on January 7, 2025.**  
**School District 59 teachers and staff are very excited to meet your child at school!**

### **CHILD ACCESS AND CUSTODY**

**Please read carefully.**

Increasingly, when custody concerns arise, schools must make some decisions regarding parental access to the child(ren), and parental access to school information.

In all cases where there is a legal change in custody of minor children, or legal changes in parental access to minor children in a home, it is essential for the school principal to be informed of and receive any order supporting those changes. In the absence of such information, schools will continue to provide access and information, based on past practice with that family and any court order on file. Parents can expect that where the principal of the school is not certain of the custody status of a minor child, the parents will be contacted. The guidelines that the school will use in dealing with custody or access concerns are as follows:

1. **When both the custodial and the non-custodial parents have access to the child(ren) it must be clearly defined in a joint-access or joint-custody court order provided to the school.** The school will routinely provide information to the custodial parent(s) described in the court order. Upon request the school may provide information to a non-custodial parent, providing such access is described in the court order.
  
2. **When a parent does not have access to the child(ren), or there is a restraining order in place, the conditions must be clearly defined in a court order and provided to the school.** Should the non-custodial parent in this case, attempt to have access to, or remove the child(ren) from the school, the custodial parent and the RCMP will be advised.

**Again, in all cases where there are custody and access concerns, the school will need to be informed, and will require current copies of court order(s). Any changes in access or custody of the child(ren) will also need to be reported to the school.**

Basically, the position of the school will be that an existing court order will inform the actions of the school, until a newer court order is provided that extinguishes the conditions of the existing court order. Schools will not accept verbal information describing a change in access and will wait for the written court order to be provided, before releasing the child, or information on the child, to any parent that has not had access.

**ILL STUDENTS**

To help us all stay healthy, please do not send your children to school if they are sick.

### **BASKETBALL**

Basketball starts January 13 for the grade 6-7 students who have joined the team. Our practices are on Mondays and our games are on Wednesdays.

### **SNOWSHOEING**

Mr. Ford's class has started some outdoor education activities to enhance their PE programming, which includes snowshoeing. Students are learning how to put on their bindings independently and how to walk on varied terrain and snowpacks. Mr. Ford's class plans to continue snowshoeing while the weather and snow cooperates!



### **Crescent Park PAC**

Place · Community

9300 17th street, Dawson Creek, BC, Canada

### **PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Attending a P.A.C. meeting enables you to:

- get involved with your School District,
- advise the principal on the school's education plan,
- recommend programs and events for the school,
- provide input into the school's budget.

Attend one meeting or many...have a say in your child's education and enhance your school community.

**The next PAC meeting will be Thursday, February 10 at 6:00 in Room 9. Child minding is provided by grade 6/7 leadership students.**

Upcoming meeting are also announced on the PAC Facebook page.

### **UPCOMING DATES**

Wednesday, January 15	Subway
Friday, January 17	Taco in a bag
Monday, January 20	Edo Japan
Wednesday, January 22	Boston Pizza
Friday, January 24	Hot dogs
Monday, January 27	Pizza Hut
Tuesday, January 28	Ski day #1
Thursday, January 30	Thirsty Thursday – thank you PAC
Friday, January 31	NID – no school
Monday, February 10	PAC Meeting 6:00 PM