



# Barlow Creek Newsletter

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March 13, 2026

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dahooja Barlow Creek Families!

We have arrived at the end of Term 2! Every student has been making progress this term! Way to go!

It has been a busy second term! We have been skating, skiing, snowboarding, being good friends and learning new things.

In March and April our BLAZERS focus is Responsible. Being responsible means we make good choices and do the right thing.

Sunachailya Barlow Creek Elementary PAC for supporting our Student Voice Game afternoon. Very much appreciated and everyone had a great time!

Have a wonderful and safe Spring Break! See you back at school on March 30!

Sunachailya,

Ms. Nancy Danuser, Principal

## **BUS SAFETY**



- 1. Sit facing front with your bottom right back**
- 2. Stay in your seat, use quiet voice and keep hands to ourselves**
- 3. Remain seated until the door opens**
- 4. Let people in front of you go first**

## **UPCOMING DATES:**

Spring Break	Mar 16-27
First Day of School after Spring Break	Mar 30
Hot Lunch Forms sent home	Mar 31
PAC Easter Egg Hunt	Apr 2
Good Friday	Apr 3
Easter Monday	Apr 6
International Day of Pink	Apr 8
Hot Lunch Forms due	Apr 8
Arlene Horutko Visit	Apr 13 to 16
PAC Meeting	Apr 15
Hot Dog Hot Lunch	Apr 16
Soap Berry Ice Cream with Chelsey Burbee	Apr 17
Scholastic Book Fair	Apr 20 to 23
Earth Day and School Spirit Jersey Day	Apr 22
Regional Pro D Day	Apr 24
Panago Pizza Lunch	Apr 30
Jump Rope for Heart	May 1

## **SLOW DOWN**

to 5km/h in the school parking lot please.

March 19 and March 26th

Nobody's Perfect

Free support for parents of children ages birth to 6 years.  
6:00–8:00pm. Quesnel Tillicum Society, 319 N Fraser Dr.

Ready, Set, Learn is fun positive way to begin to introduce your child to your neighbourhood school.

Ready, Set, Learn Event Schedule & Contact information will be available in early spring. Check SD28 website for more information.



### Allergy Alert

We are peanut and shellfish free. Please refrain from sending food that includes these ingredients.



All SD #28 buildings are scent free.

### Safety Drills

For safety we have a number of drills we are required to complete each school year. Fire, intruder/lockdown, gas leak and earthquake drills are done throughout the year. Typically, we do not give advance notice of drills. If your child may need advance notice please let their classroom teacher know.

## Lunch time Stars

### January

Jada Sandaker, Guruwann Sandhu, Seth Tourangeau, Jennifer Davis and Sydney West.

### February

Arthur Everett, Peyton Butler, Alex Cunningham, Violet Spicer and Lumen

Ms. Harrington will be hosting the following lunch programs:

Tuesday—Guitar

Thursday—Line Dancing

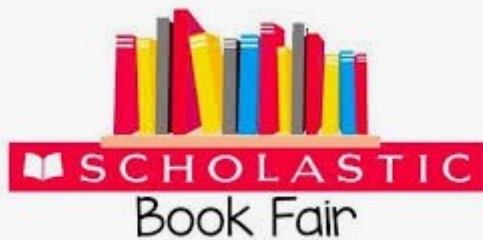
Thank you Ms.  
Harrington



If anybody would like to Volunteer to help our Breakfast Coordinator, Mrs. Kayla O'Flynn with breakfasts, please email her at:

[kaylaoflynn@sd28.bc.ca](mailto:kaylaoflynn@sd28.bc.ca)

Kayla will need help periodically when she is doing the more time consuming breakfasts .



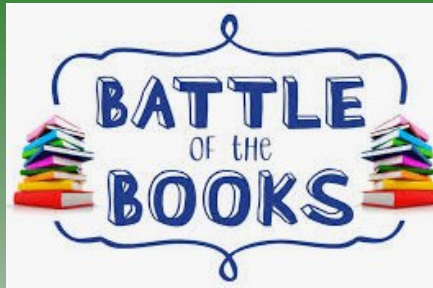
April 20th to 23th

Stay tuned!

Barlow Creek's Student Voice & PAC will be hosting a TALENT SHOW after Spring Break.



Get ready  
for your  
AUDITION!!



February book battle books were "I am Enough" and "The Kindest Red". The winner of February's book battle is "The Kindest Red".

March's book battle books are "Do Not Open This Book" and "The Kindest Red". The winner of March's book battle is "Do Not Open This Book".

April's book battle books are "Be Quiet" and "Do Not Open This Book". Happy Book Battling!

After School Sports and Arts Program for grades 4 to 7 students is offered at Barlow Creek Elementary on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from **February 24 – April 16, 2026**. Each event begins at the end of the school day and ends at 4:15 p.m.

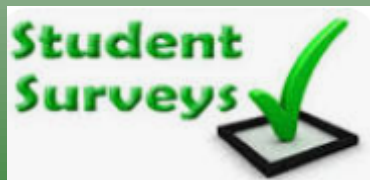
## **STUDENT LEARNING SURVEYS**

All parents of grade 4, 7, 10, and 12 are asked to complete the survey each year. Here is the link for the survey:

[http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat\\_survey/access.htm](http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm)

There is no logon code required. Parents scroll to the parent section and enter our school district #28 Quesnel and the survey will begin.

It takes about 30 minutes to complete the survey and you have until May 1, 2026 to complete it.



# EARTH DAY

Earth Day is an annual event on *April 22* to demonstrate support for environmental protection. This year's theme is Planet vs Plastics. First held on April 22, 1970.



## Dakelh Language and Culture

Arlene Horutko, our Carrier Language Teacher will be here April 13 to 16 to share lessons on Southern Carrier/Dakelh language. On April 17, we will have a visit from Chelsey Burbee, our Indigenous Culture teacher and she will be making Soap Berry Ice Cream and doing an Indigenous story walk with each class.



VALID ONLINE AT [WWW.DOMINOS.CA](http://WWW.DOMINOS.CA)

**DOMINOS** pizza fundraiser is still active. 25% off all menu items and the school raises money.

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FOOD BANK



## Contact & Hours

**Address:** 138 McLean St, Quesnel, BC V2J 2N7

**Phone:** (250) 991-0481

<b>Hours: Friday</b>	<b>Closed</b>
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed
Monday	Closed
(Family Day)	Closed
Tuesday	10 a.m.–2 p.m.
Wednesday	2–6 p.m.
Thursday	10 a.m.–2 p.m.

**Address:** 170 Front St, Quesnel, BC V2J 1Y8

<b>Hours: Friday</b>	<b>10–11 a.m.</b>
Saturday	10–11 a.m.
Sunday	11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Monday	10–11 a.m.
(Family Day)	Hours might differ
Tuesday	11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Wednesday	10–11 a.m.
Thursday	5–7 p.m.



**Barlow Creek Clothing Order Forms coming in April! Stay tuned for more information.**



### International Day of Pink

(April 9, 2026) focuses on "ECHO," promoting listening to marginalized voices against bullying, homophobia, and transphobia. Both movements use pink shirts to stand against bullying, but have distinct themes for 2026.

## PAC News

Make It Sow Seed Fundraiser! Orders due Friday, March 13 by 2:00 pm.

Krispy Kreme coming after Spring Break!

PAC meetings are the third Wednesday of every month.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 6:00pm in the library.

Thank you to the PAC for helping with travel costs to Troll Resort and to the Primary Swimming lessons and for everything else you do for us.



**March is National Reading Month.** "This month long celebration encourages children, families and communities to make reading a daily habit and promotes literacy engagement." "The month serves as a reminder of the importance of reading in shaping academic performance and lifelong learning"

## FRIDAY, MAY 1ST @ 1:00PM

**Jump Rope for Heart is the school fundraiser you don't want to skip!**



For over 40 years, students across Canada have been getting active and fundraising in support of Heart & Stroke.

**Our goal is to raise \$200. If we reach our goal one student will get to throw a pie at Ms. Danuser. Every \$1 donated will get one entry in the draw to be the student to throw a pie at the Principal.**

## BLAZERS

At our February Assembly the following students were recognized for being EARTHLY BARLOW



BLAZERS: Mario Lawrence, Everett Kenney, Alex Cunningham, Gavin Dexter, and Noelle Simms. These Earthly students take care of the environment, only use what they need and leave something for others and are good citizens.

Winners of the February BLAZERS draw were Leonard Sarginson for being BRAVE and following all the rules while the earthquake drill was happening and Wesley Howson, for being ZIPPY and helping with backpacks. Both students won a Barlow Blazers T-shirt.

## Dakelh Language and Culture

Practice some Dakelh with your children.

**Ndi dulkw'ah lhtak'alti ho'en.**

– I saw seven frogs.

**Ndi sooh lhk'ut dink'ih ho'en.** –

I saw eight robins.

**Bunun Ha'ulh'us** – March, time when the animals come out of their den.

**'oluh** - Spring

## UTENSILS:

Please remember to send the required utensils for your children's lunches.

Be sure to send **WATER BOTTLES** and **SPOONS**.

Thanks in advance.



## Online Safety

Please take some time to talk with your children about safe online behaviour. Here are some things you can do to support your children to be safe online:

- \* Turn off the in-game chat features
- \* Help your child set up the games and monitor how they are using it.
- \* Take time to understand how the game works
- \* Don't use your child's name when signing up, use a screen name.
- \* Talk to your child about the dangers online and what to look out for.
- \* Remind your child to only play online with people they know.

Make sure your children aren't sharing personal information like names, where they live, age, school they attend, etc.

Kindergarten Screening will be done at Welcome to K in May / June 2026

All children need to have their immunizations brought up-to-date prior to Kindergarten entry. Please contact Northern Health Authority after May 1, 2026 @ 250-983-6850

**Kindergarten Registration closes March 31st, 2026**

**School District 28**

# KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

**Opens February 2, 2026 at  
your catchment school**

**FOR REGISTRATION IN FRENCH  
IMMERSION, PLEASE CONTACT ÉCOLE  
RED BLUFF LHTAKO AT 250-747-2634**

Children must  
turn 5 years old  
in 2026

**Required Documents:**

- Long Form Birth Certificate
- BC Services Card
- Proof of Address (2 pieces)

For more information, please contact  
your catchment school or the  
school District board office

For immunization, please contact NHA  
Community Health Services 250- 983-6850

School District 28  
401 North Star Rd Quesnel,  
BC V2J 5K2

250-992-8802

[www.sd28.bc.ca](http://www.sd28.bc.ca)

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# StrongStart



A **FREE** Parent & Child participation program for **0-5 yr olds**

**Join the fun at a StrongStart centre!  
You and your child will make new friends, play,  
create art, go to the gym, sing songs, engage with  
stories, and so much more!**

**Drop in available at:**

<b>Baker StrongStart</b>	<b>Mon-Fri</b>	<b>8:30-11:30am</b>
<b>Barlow Creek StrongStart</b>	<b>Mon-Thurs</b>	<b>8:15-11:15am</b>
<b>Bouchie Lake StrongStart</b>	<b>Mon-Fri</b>	<b>8:15-11:15am</b>
<b>Dragon Lake StrongStart</b>	<b>Mon-Fri</b>	<b>8:30-11:30am</b>

Please contact Ms. Cari to learn which days have openings (250-747-2142)

*The school district operates 4 StrongStart BC early learning centers that provide **free**, school-based, high quality early learning programs for children aged 0-5 years old who are accompanied by a parent or caregiver. At StrongStart you and your child will have opportunities to play, make new friends, create art, go to the gym, sing songs, engage with stories and so much more!*

*Feel free to drop in to:*

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