



Roadrunner Report

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Is it just me, or did January feel like it lasted 100 days? We made it through, and we are on the countdown to Spring Break. Where does the time go?

This time of year, teachers are very busy assessing student learning and preparing learning updates, so it is very important for students to be in attendance. That being said, we have a few illnesses running rampant in our school at the moment (flu-vomiting, and cold-coughing), so we thank you in advance for keeping your child/ren home if he/she/they are not feeling well.

February is also Kindness month and I have challenged the students to wear a little pink each day as a reminder to show kindness everyday, not just on Pink Shirt Day.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

We have just finished the official Kindergarten Registration week; however, we continue to welcome registrations at any point. That being said, it is far easier for us to plan for a seamless start-up if we know how many students we are expecting in September.

We need your help to get the word out. If you, or anyone you know, has a child that was born in **2021**, you will need to register them at their neighbourhood school as soon as possible. If you already have a child/ren enrolled at A.E. Perry, and you have a child/ren starting in Kindergarten in September, please let Mrs. Ablitt or Mrs. McGivern know and we will send home a registration package home with the oldest sibling.

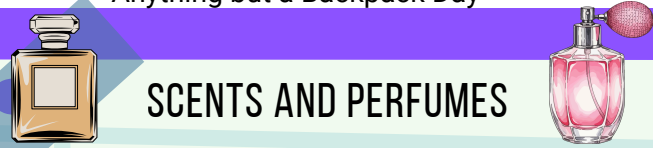


UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb. 10 Boys Basketball game @ Rayleigh
- Feb. 11 Blazers' Visit
- Feb. 13 Girls' Basketball Game @ Bert Edwards
- Feb. 16 FAMILY DAY - SCHOOL IS CLOSED**
- Feb. 17 Tier 1 Boys game @home vs Westmount
PAC Family Dodgeball Night @ 6pm
- Feb. 19 Tier 1 Girls Game @ Arthur Stevenson
Family Math Night @6:30pm
- Feb. 23 Wildlife Park Presentations
Story Telling with Elder Jackie Jules
- Feb. 25 Pink Shirt Day
Assembly @ 9:45am
- Feb. 26 Tier 1 Girls Game @ home vs
- Mar 2-6 Scholastic Book Fair
- Mar. 2 Assembly - Courage
- Mar. 4 PAC Meeting @ 4pm in Library
- Mar. 6 Grade 7 NorKam Visit 9am
- Mar. 11 McQueen Lake - Mr. Bourassa's class
- Mar. 13 Learning Updates sent home
Anything but a Backpack Day

SCENTS AND PERFUMES

We have a number of staff members who are very sensitive to artificial scents, such as perfume and scented lotions and hair products. When our staff works closely with students who are wearing these scents, it causes them to have migraine headaches and take time off of work, often leaving us short-staffed for the day. We are asking you to refrain from spraying your children with these scented products before sending them to school. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter and keeping everyone at school safe and healthy.



PERFORMANCE REVIEW

As per the School Act, Principals and Vice-Principals undergo performance reviews periodically in order to facilitate their professional growth.

Well, my turn has come up, so I would like to let you know that I will undergo a performance review as per the School District's Administrative Procedure 432 - Professional Growth Plan and Performance. As part of this process, a survey on various elements of my leadership will be sent directly to you via email. Mrs. Ablitt sent an e-mail on Wednesday, February 4th. Your participation in this survey will help provide useful information for my performance review.

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL - P.A.C

Our Parent Advisory Council is having their next meeting on upcoming **Monday, March, 2 at 4:00pm** in our school library. All parents are welcome to attend. Some of the upcoming PAC Events are:

Family Games Nights

- Tuesday, Feb.17 6pm-7pm (Dodgeball in gym)
- Friday, Apr. 17 3pm-4pm

We need to see if there are enough families to make our Family Dodgeball night a success so sign-up is required and if we don't have enough people, the event will be cancelled. Please use the QR code below, or click [here](#) to sign up.

Dodgeball Sign-Up



SCHOOL CLOTHING ORDER

Mrs. Hansen has organized a School Spirit order for anyone who would like to order school clothing. There are some new styles for you to consider. Please click this link if you would like to order anything. Note that the sale closes February 13th (that's this Friday)

<https://aeperryspring26.itemorder.com/>



DIVERSITY AND CULTURE CALENDAR FEBRUARY

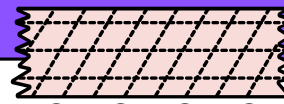
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| 1-28 | Black History Month |
| 1-7 | Eating Disorder Awareness Week |
| 2-8 | French Immersion Celebration Week |
| 2 | Vasant Panchami |
| 6 | International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation |
| 11 | International Day of Women and Girls In Science |
| 14 | Women's Memorial March Pink Triangle Day |
| 15 | Nirvana Day - Parinirvana Maha Shivaratri |
| 16 | Family Day |
| 16-22 | BC Heritage Week |
| 17 | Lunar New Year |
| 17-Mar 19 | Ramadan |
| 20 | World Day of Social Justice |
| 23 | Freedom to Read Week |
| 25 | Pink Shirt Day |
| 25 | Lantern Festival |



NO PARKING



When parent park in our staff parking lot, it becomes more congested and the chances of someone being struck, as we have a number of families who travel to school on foot, and enter the school grounds from this area. There are many smaller, not-yet-school-aged children who do not yet have the knowledge/experience of how to navigate parking lots safely. We also have a variety of District staff that visit our school to support children who need to access these parking spots. District Maintenance Vehicles also need to access our school to do minor repairs and maintenance tasks. They cannot do this if they cannot access the school. **We kindly ask that if you are arriving to the school with a vehicle, that you use Lethbridge Avenue to drop off and pick up your child/ren.**



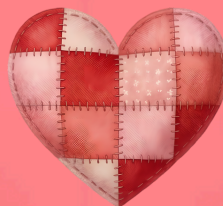
CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK

Any adult wanting to volunteer in his/her/their child/ren's class, drive students to/from athletic events, supervise on field trips, or be alone with children other than their own for any reason, will need to complete a criminal records check. This can be done easily online [here](#) Use the code **6EWCGPQXWN**. It is free of charge. Because it can take up to a couple of weeks for these checks to come back to us, if volunteering is something that you are interested in this year, I would recommend starting the process ASAP

Valentine's Day

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Valentine's Day is fast approaching, and I am sure that your child/ren is/are excited about preparing Valentines for his/her/their classmates. A good rule of thumb is to write them for the entire class, for all of the girls, or all of the boys. This way no individual students are left out. Individual teachers will have different plans for the day, so please reach out to your child's teacher prior to sending your child to school with treats for the class.



KINDNESS MONTH


Although we will celebrate "Pink Shirt Day" on February 25, February is Kindness month we celebrate and encourage kindness everyday. As such, we kicked off the month with an assembly, to introduce the Seven Grandfathers teaching of Eagle/Love and the orange poster from the Emotional Schools Network - "treating others the way you want to be treated." At that assembly, we also talked about the how we can deal with Peer Conflict peacefully and with Kindness. Some classes use WITS - Walk away, Ignore, Tell someone, S, while others use TILT (see poster below). Please feel free to reference these when you are dealing with sibling conflict at home.


PINK SHIRT DAY


In 2007, Berwick Nova Scotia, after a new student at their school was bullied for wearing a pink shirt, two Gr. 12 students bought 50 pink shirts and encouraged their classmates to wear pink. The next day they went to distribute the shirts and to their surprise the majority of students arrived wearing pink! Wednesday, **February 25th** is this year's "Pink Shirt Day," and as such, we are inviting students to wear a pink shirt this day to commemorate this day and to encourage kindness amongst everyone. We will be having an **assembly at 9:45am** that day and parents are invited to attend if they would like.

PINK SHIRT DAY

If someone is bothering you...

Tell them to stop. 

Ignore them. 

Leave the situation. 

Tell an adult 



The most valuable LESSONS come from the most unexpected PEOPLE: Be your BEST by being INCLUSIVE.



TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU WANT TO BE TREATED

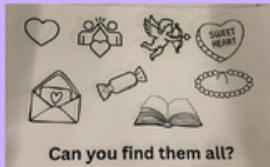
LIBRARY NEWS

From Ms. Pereversoff

THIS MONTH

It's Love Your Library month!

I Spy

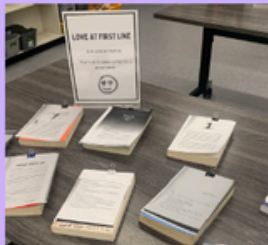


Can you find them all?

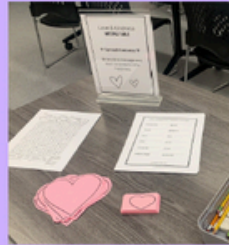
Sensory Table



Table Activities



Fall in love with the first line of a book!



Spread kindness by writing a note to someone.



Story Building Challenge: Design and build a device to trap the troll so the goats can cross safely!



Question of the Week



Green Poster Focus
"Breathe in Calm and Breathe Out Stress."

FEBRUARY CONTEST



Create a bookmark for our library!

DECEMBER READERS OF THE MONTH

Each month, teachers nominate students who show enthusiasm for reading in a variety of ways! Of those students, 1 primary and 1 intermediate are selected and celebrated each month.

Congratulations...



Olliyah, Grade 1
(Barrow)



Peyton, Grade 4
(Knapp)

READING CLUB



Reading Club meets on Mondays at lunch! Here, students enjoy a quiet, cozy space to relax with a book and read silently.



Feb 2 - Langford, Underwood, & Robinson
Feb 9 - Bourassa, Gulbransen/Carmichael, & Selski
Feb 16 - Family Day (No School)
Feb 23 - Telford, Knapp, & Cowan



Upcoming Events



March 2-6 - Scholastic Book Fair

Mark your calendars & stay tuned for more details!



WEBSITE

<http://msplibrary.weebly.com>

Visit the AE Perry Library website to explore student friendly resources, as well as district programs that encourage learning and discovery at school and at home.



STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective. This February, the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in Grades 4 and 7, and to all school staff. It is now your turn. We encourage parents, guardians, or caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province and questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues. The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet here: <https://www.awinfosys.com/SurveyFull1/central/main/access.asp>. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link without an anonymous logon code by selecting the 73 Kamloops-Thompson and then AE Perry Elementary. The e-survey site will be open from January 5th until May 1st. We encourage all parents to take a few moments to complete this survey.

Student Learning Survey

Take the online survey

The survey is available online from January 6th to May 2nd. Please contact your school if you have difficulty using the online survey.

Students



A logon number from your school is required in order to access the appropriate online survey.

Parents



Please complete one survey for each child. Direct (logon-free) Access.

Staff



Direct (logon-free) Access.

Administrators



Direct (logon-free) Access.

Use Report-It Tool - Scan here with your phone



Expect **Respect** and a **Safe Education** is all about building safe and caring school communities. If there is something worrying your child or your child's friends at school, encourage them to let an adult know about it so they can help to resolve it. The ERASE Report-It tool is an easy and **confidential** way to send a message to your school, who will follow up on the situation right away. They will only follow up with you directly only **IF** you provide your name.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/erase/help>



CHANGE OF CLOTHES

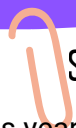
With Winter not being able to make up its mind about what weather it would like to throw at us, it is a very good idea for students to have a change of clothes at school, ESPECIALLY SOCKS, in case they get wet or dirty at recess or lunch, or they have some sort of accident (spilling their lunch, bathroom, etc.). Having a clean and dry change of clothes already at school will mitigate the need for us to call you at home or work to get a set of dry clothes.



FAMILY MATH NIGHT

Our first Family Math Night was a great success with approximately 20 families in attendance. Families were treated to some fun games that helped to develop some number sense through fun games that your family can play together. We have two more sessions planned this year. Our next Family Math Night will take place **Thursday, February 19th from 6:30-7:30** in our Library. While anyone and their entire family is invited to attend, the activities are more geared towards students in Grades 2-7, this time; however, younger siblings are also welcome to attend (maybe with an activity or a toy to keep them occupied). It's important for us to know how many people will be here so that we have enough supplies and snacks for everyone, so we are asking you to please fill use this link to register:

<https://forms.gle/nuA2hVf2dFdgfrow5>

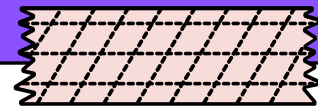


SEVEN GRANDFATHER TEACHINGS

This year, as a school, we have been working on the 7 Grandfather Teachings outlined in the SD73 District Plan. We are working on Love in the month of February



We are also continuing our work on the Emotional Schools Framework. The element we are highlighting in FEBRUARY is **INCLUSION**. We will be reminding students to **"Treat others the way you want to be treated."**



SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS

Our Leadership Group will be planning some fun events and days to make our school year a little more enjoyable. Here is a list of days for you to put in your calendar to help with your family planning. We do our best to choose spirit days that can be accomplished with items you can find at home, so be creative and try not to buy anything extra. As always, it is only an invitation to participate, so if your child does not want to participate, that is OK.



Monthly Spirit Days

Wed. Feb. 25 - Pink Shirt Day

Fri. Mar. 13 - Anything But a Backpack Day

Fri. Apr. 24 - Twin Day

Fri. May 29 - Wacky Hair Day

Tues. June 16 - Wacky Hat Day



KINDERGARTEN

IT TAKES A VILLAGE CONNECTING FAMILIES TO KINDERGARTEN

A Parent/Caregiver-focused event:
Learn about local community supports
and programs that can help your child
transition smoothly into Kindergarten.



February 18, 2026

TIME: 5:30PM - 7:30PM

John Tod Early Years Center

150 Wood St, Kamloops, BC

YOUTH INTENSIVE DAY TREATMENT PROGRAM

---- Support that meets you where you're at

PROGRAM DATES:

17 March – April 10

Schedule: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays

WHAT YOU'LL FIND HERE:

- A supportive group environment
- Space to talk about substance use and mental health
- Practical tools for coping and daily life
- Engaging activities that build connection and confidence

ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE

- Bowling
- Horseback riding
- Creative activities like paint & sip
- Group outings and hands-on activities

SNACKS & GOOD VIBES INCLUDED.

Change doesn't have to be rushed.
Sometimes it starts with connection.

LOCATION:

235 Lansdowne Street,
Kamloops, BC

Hours:
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

To learn more or join:
310-MHSU (6478) or 250-377-6500
Ask for ACCESS



BCG @ John Tod (150 Wood St)

YOUTH DROP IN

HOURS: SEPTEMBER TO JUNE

FOR AGES 11-24, NOON TO 3PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

FOR AGES 11-18, 3PM TO 6PM, MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY.

JULY & AUGUST: FOR AGES 11-19, 11AM – 4PM MONDAY – FRIDAY

- WEEKDAY DROP IN PROGRAM FOR YOUTH BETWEEN AGES 11-24
- VARIETY OF OPPORTUNITIES AND ACTIVITIES, YOUTH ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO GYMNASIUM & EQUIPMENT, A KITCHEN, POOL, PING PONG, FOOSBALL TABLES, BOARD GAMES, VIDEOS GAMES, TV, ART SUPPLIES, AND MORE!
- HOME-COOKED MEALS AND SNACKS ARE PROVIDED DAILY BY YOUTH RESOURCE WORKERS
- ALL YOUTH ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE CLUB AND COME AND GO AS THEY LIKE. HOMEWORK HELP AND AN AFTERSCHOOL SNACK ARE PROVIDED

**FOLLOW LINK TO REGISTER: [HTTPS://WWW.BGCKAMLOOPS.COM/YOUTH-PROGRAMS](https://www.bgckamloops.com/youth-programs)

NIGHTS ALIVE

- NIGHTS ALIVE IS A DRUG, ALCOHOL AND HARASSMENT-FREE PLACE FOR YOUTH BETWEEN 13 AND 21 YEARS OLD TO PARTICIPATE IN A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES IN A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT
- A MEAL IS PROVIDED, **SAFE RIDES HOME ARE AVAILABLE** FOR YOUTH WHO LIVE IN THE NORTH SHORE, BROCKLEHURST, AND SOUTH SHORE

**FOR REGISTRATION DETAILS, GO TO [HTTPS://WWW.BGCKAMLOOPS.COM/YOUTH-PROGRAMS](https://www.bgckamloops.com/youth-programs)

YOUTH LIFE SKILLS & DROP-IN WELLNESS (YOUTH ROOM @ JOHN TOD CENTRE)

- A FREE PROGRAM THAT TEACHES YOUTH BETWEEN 11 AND 24 YEARS OLD VALUABLE LIFE SKILLS SUCH AS HEALTHY COOKING AND EATING, MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS, TEAM BUILDING, EMPLOYMENT SKILLS, AND PREPARING THEM FOR LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

**FOR REGISTRATION DETAILS, GO TO [HTTPS://WWW.BGCKAMLOOPS.COM/YOUTH-PROGRAMS](https://www.bgckamloops.com/youth-programs)

YOUTH NECESSITY NOOK

MONDAYS TO THURSDAYS FROM NOON TO 6:00PM

FRIDAYS FROM 9:00AM TO 6:00PM

- A FREE SERVICE FOR YOUTH AGES 11-24 ONCE A WEEK, YOUTH CAN RECEIVE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS, PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS, AND HOUSEHOLD CLEANING SUPPLIES
- FORMAL REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BUT THEY DO NEED NAME AND BIRTHDATE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT BRITTANY AT B.FERGUSON@BGCKWL.COM

NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR GRADUATION??

- YOUTH CAN VOLUNTEER AT BGC KAMLOOPS BY COMMITTING TO A MINIMUM OF 10 HOURS TO 100 HOURS
- OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE ASSISTING WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS SUCH AS PREPARING YOUTH ROOM SNACKS, RESTOCKING THE NECESSITIES NOOK, OR HELPING WITH MAINTENANCE AROUND THE CENTRE. YOUTH CAN ALSO DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS BY ASSISTING WITH LIFE SKILLS PROGRAMS

**FOR MORE DETAILS AND HOW TO REGISTER, EMAIL DEZARAE AT D.LUCE@BGCKWL.COM