

TATLA LAKE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2023

It has been a very busy September! We welcomed our students on the first day of school with a yummy pancake breakfast prepared by Ms. Iverson and Ms. Whitehead.



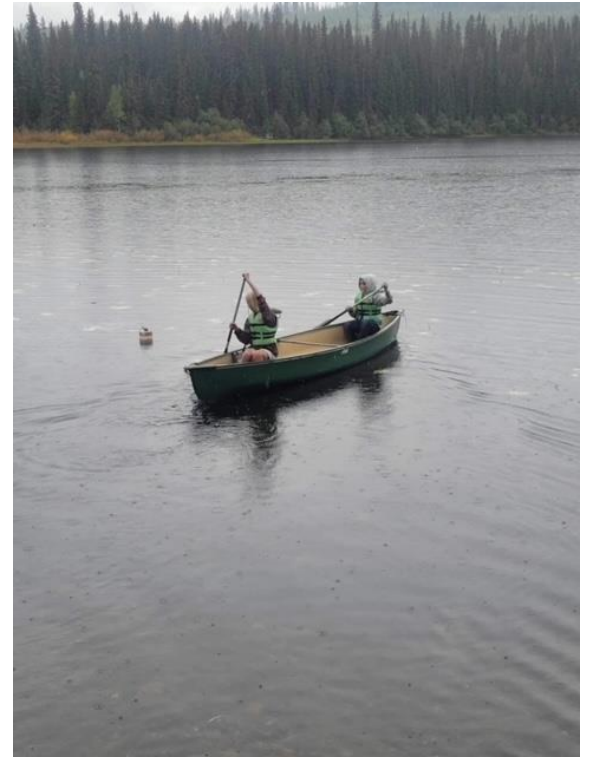
We enjoyed a trip to the Tatlayoko Lake Bird Observatory our first week. This trip is always a highlight of the fall. [Sep. 08: Educational Interlude | Tatlayoko Lake Bird Observatory \(wordpress.com\)](https://www.tatlayokolakebirdobservatory.com/2023/09/08/educational-interlude-tatlayoko-lake-bird-observatory/)





We spent an intensive week with Missoula Children's Theatre culminating in a performance of Rapunzel to a full house of parents and community members. Our PAC organized a wonderful pre-theatre dinner event! It was a great evening!





Grade 4-9 students travelled to Gavin Lake for a few days. The students participated in a variety of outdoor activities and sports. Many thanks to Ms. Peterson, Ms. Iverson, and Mr. Emke for supervising this trip! [Forest Education | Gavin Lake Forest Education Centre | Cariboo](#)



Students ran between 3-7km at our annual Terry Fox Run on September 25th.



Ms. Emke supports our library each Wednesday and continues to foster a love of reading among our students. She is busy ordering this year's \$1500.00 Indigo Love of Reading Grant allotment and organizing our current collection.



Ms Glazier is teaching music on Wednesdays to K-4 and Grade 5-11. We are looking forward to hearing their songs in upcoming performances!



Students in Gr. 8-11 will begin Trades Exploration with Ms. Dumas this week. We are excited to welcome her to our staff!





We were privileged to have Michelle Francis join us for Orange Shirt Day to teach us about Reconciliation and Communication. Students engaged in some Social-Emotional Learning and collaborative group activities focused on non-verbal communication.

Grade 5-7 Current Learning Foci:

Science: What is biodiversity? What are ecosystems?

- Organisms, species, and communities
- Basic needs of living things –plants and animals
- Terrestrial ecosystems and aquatic ecosystems
- Biotic factors in ecosystems and abiotic factors in ecosystems

Socials: What is global settlement?

- Settlement patterns –linear, clustered, scattered
- Population density in Canada and around the world
- Urbanization –urban versus rural
- Pros and cons of living in the city
- Urban sprawl –effects on the environment and waste management

Health: Healthy Eating

Art: Elements and Principles of Art

Language Arts:

- Spelling
- Cursive writing and typing
- Literacy: making connections to what we read and learning the difference between a Quick Connection and a Deep Thinking Connection

Math:

- Patterns and sequences leading into multiplication and division
- Introducing integers



Grade Gr. K-4 Current Learning Foci:

Science: Force & Motion

English Language Arts:

Gr. 2-4 Individualized Reading & Writing goals focused on improving reading comprehension and fluency and written expression.

Gr. K Phonemic awareness and letter formation

Math:

Gr. 2-4 Addition and Computational Thinking

Gr. K Sorting & Patterning; Number sense 1-10

Art: Elements of Art (Colour)

Physical & Health Education: Manipulative movement skills; Learning about Feelings & Emotions

Career: Roles and responsibilities at School

Core competency: Communication



Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about their learning progress.

Students in Gr. 8-11 continue to work on their online courses with KOOL School [Kamloops Open Online Learning \(sd73.bc.ca\)](http://sd73.bc.ca) Their elective courses will be taught by Ms. Glazier, Ms. Dumas, and Ms. Peterson. We are looking forward to enriching their learning with the CORE course and future workshops on First Aid and Emergency Communication.

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Community Connections Shayla B-Day	3	4	5	6 Harvesting Potatoes FT	7
8	9 Thanksgiving No School	10	11	12 CORE Course Gr. 8-11	13 CORE Course Gr. 8-11	14
15	16 GoByBike Week	17	18 Take Me Outside Day PAC Meeting 4:15pm	19	20 Pro-D Day No School	21
22	23 WILD School with Martin Kruus	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Molly B-Day	31 Halloween	Nov 1	2	3	4