



NEWS FROM THE DEN



"Powerful and purposeful learning"

At GPE, we should all be very proud of the learning community we each have played a role in creating this year – a place where students can “lead” with their heart, hands, and head. Again this year, our teaching staff is collaborating and leaning into their own learning and understanding of the redesigned curriculum. On November 13th the teachers will have a non-instructional day. School will not be in session. Daily, our staff utilize many well-researched instructional practices to enhance their classroom community. Our students learn, practice, and hone their social and interpersonal skills, and have positive interactions with everyone. Whether it be small group instruction with Mrs. DeHoog, or Mrs. Rogall’s “Super Readers” instructional support teaching, or morning ‘circle time’ in classes, students are learning that having positive relationships with classmates, understanding and valuing oneself, and understanding and valuing others is important. Specifically, teachers who incorporate a ‘talking circle’, ‘morning circle’ or ‘closing circle’ in their routine have found that it helps young people to develop an appreciation of self, a sense of belonging, to have feelings of empathy with other members of the class, and to become empowered to use positive problem solving behaviours. It indicates that a group is working together to support one another and to take responsibility for addressing issues.



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Wash
your

Hands!

**Remember the #1 best guard
against colds and flu is to WASH
YOUR HANDS!!**

DATES TO NOTE:

- Nov. 9th—Peace Assembly
- Nov. 12th —STAT Holiday
- Nov. 13th - Non-Instructional Day (Students do not attend)
- **Nov. 15th - 5:30 pm French Immersion Parent Meeting with Dr. Rick Oliver (discussing gr. 5 & 6 transition to GMS)**
- Nov. 15th - PAC Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- Nov. 28th—Jersey Day
- Nov. 29th—Cultural Performance @ 12:30 pm
- Nov. 30th—Winter Craft Fair from 1:00—6:00 pm

LIBRARY

VIRTUAL FIELD TRIPS: In October, our students at GPE went on many exciting virtual fieldtrips. They were able to learn about the Secrets of the Ohio Animal Habitats, Inuit Culture and Language of Nunatsiavut, and the Royal Tyrell Museum of Paleontology. These trips to Ohio, Nunavut, and Drumheller, Alberta did not involve any bus trip! Students were transported through the virtual lens. An exciting new way to learn at GPE! Thank you Mrs. Rogall for your support!



**Calling all...
Sparks, Cubs, Beavers, Brownies,
Guides, Cadets, etc.**

Students are invited to wear their uniforms to school on Friday, Nov. 9th and participate in the opening of our Remembrance Day Assembly. Our assembly will begin at 9:45 am. Parents and families are welcome to attend. A poppy collection will take place prior to the assembly in the classroom & students are invited to bring a small donation for the Legion's poppy fund.



We do encourage all other students to wear black bottoms, and white tops (please, it is not necessary to buy anything new for the occasion.)

FIRST FAMILY ASSEMBLY: October 25th

Students learned more about [Phyllis Webstad's](#) story of going to school at St. Joseph's Mission in Williams' Lake, BC. Students also learned that we each have a 'hand' or role in **ReconciliACTION**".



PAC NEWS

Next Meeting:

Thursday,
November
15 @ 6:30 pm
in the GPE
Staff Room.

All parents &
guardians
welcome to
attend!



1. Like us on [Facebook!](#)



2. **Scholastic Book Fair** would not have been possible without the countless volunteers. Thank you everyone for supporting this fundraiser!



3. **Congratulations** to our new PAC Executive:

- Tasha Prasad, president
- Jaylin Loepky, vice-president
- Tara Walters, secretary
- Terri Lum, COPAC rep
- Lola McCabe, Dalyn Norgard, Paige Boal, Stephanie French, and Mel French




Annual 
Winter
CRAFT
SHOW! 

With Over 60 Vendors
and a Bake Sale

**GEORGE PRINGLE
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**

Friday, November 30th
at 1pm - 6pm
3770 Elliot Road Westbank, BC

Please
Bring a Donation
for the
Food Bank



Save the date!!

Our **GPE Annual Christmas Concert** will be in
our school gym on

December 20th. @1:00 and 6:30 pm.

We will be performing "It's Christmas, Carol".
Carol, the grumpiest elf in the North Pole, is
making life difficult for the other overworked
elves and is visited by the Ghosts of Christmas
Past, Present and Future, which results in a festive
change of heart and Yuletide cheer.