



# Silverback News

Mapes Elementary School: Home of the Silverbacks!

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## Happy Birthday!

**Best Birthday wishes to our students celebrating a birthday in October:**

- Oct. 3 - Elianah Parker
- Oct. 15 - Emma Skiffington
- Oct. 20 - Alivea Yliruusi
- Oct. 27 - Pieter Burggraaf




## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Oct. 19 - Pro-D Day (No School)
- Oct. 22 - DEAR  
Pancake Breakfast & PJs
- Oct. 23 - PAC Meeting @ 2:00
- Oct. 25 - Bake Sale
- Oct. 30 - Pumpkin Carving afternoon
- Oct. 31 - Grilled Cheese Hot Lunch


Thank you to all of the parents who participated in the parent/teacher conferences on Tuesday. Teachers welcome and appreciate parent communication and face to face meetings. If you did not have a chance to meet on Tuesday and would still like to do so, please feel free to contact the school and set up an alternate time to meet with your child's teacher. A reminder that we will be wearing our pajamas on Monday as we get comfortable to Drop Everything And Read. Parents are invited to join in our classrooms to model reading alone, or with others. We have a special guest author, Clayton Gauthier, joining us on this day.

Congratulations to all of the cross country runners who represented Mapes with sportsmanship and enthusiasm last week. Our next sports related event will be European Handball coming up at the end of November. Enjoy the Pro-D day tomorrow and have a wonderful weekend with sunny skies in the forecast.

Ms. Soffel



### Student Leadership



Student Leadership is for students in grades 4, 5 & 6 who would like to participate by attending meetings to plan and facilitate school events such as school spirit days & bake sales. These students will also participate in duties such as snow shoveling to raise funds to buy their own Mapes jacket as they graduate from Mapes in grade 6. The first meeting will be held on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am.

Attached to this newsletter:

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Bus Stop Information




**If you need to make alternate bus arrangements for your child you must contact the bus garage @ 250-567-9618.**

**Mapes Strong Start**  
 Monday – Friday  
 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
**Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> is a Baking Day @ Strong Start!**  
**Come Join Us!**

**DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)**


Dear Parents:

What? Reading alone or with others  
 Where? Mapes School  
 When? Monday, October 22, from 1:20 – 1:40



pancakes & pajamas

This is our school's pajama day so please feel free to show up in your pjs!!!! Also, we will be having a pancake breakfast in the morning.



**OMINECA PONY CLUB AGM AND REGISTRATION MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 30, 2018**  
**VANDERHOOF LAW CHAMBERS**  
**2575 BUTE AVE**  
**PONY CLUB IS FOR AGES 6 AND UP, LEARN HOW SAFELY TAKE CARE OF AND RIDE A HORSE.**  
**FOR MORE INFO CALL REBECCA O'MEARA 250 567 2876**

VANDERHOOF PUBLIC LIBRARY 

**LEGO CLUB**



*We have the Lego, you bring the ideas and build your own creations.*



3:00 - 4:00 pm

Sept 12 & 26  
 Oct 10 & 24  
 Nov 14 & 28



*A fun drop-in program*



*Preschoolers must be accompanied by an adult.*

## Counselling

Parents and guardians, School District 91 and Mapes Elementary would like you to know that Nick Ferguson, one of our district counsellors will be working in our school again this year on Friday mornings.

Nick will be working alongside staff and students in the school in a variety of ways. These may include helping to facilitate programs in the classroom, working with small groups on topics such as dealing with anxiety, building healthy relationships, etc. as it is suitable to a specific child, as well as some limited, short-term individual counselling. If you have any questions or concerns or would like your child to be able to access support through our school counsellor, please contact Marilyn Wheeler at Mapes Elementary front office. In addition, if you are looking for longer-term individual support for your child, please contact one of the organizations below:

Nechako Valley Community Services in Vanderhoof  
 Phone: 250-567-9205  
 Carrier Sekani Family Services in Vanderhoof  
 Phone: 250-567-2900

Nick Ferguson  
 District Counsellor  
 250-570-1591



**M.B.S HALL HAUNTED HOUSE & HALLOWEEN FUN NIGHT**

Friday, October 26th 2018  
 Doors Open at 7:00pm

**Door Prize, Costume Contest, Donut Eating Contest, and more!**

We are changing up and expanding our Haunted House again this year for even more scary fun!

Admission is by donation

17802 Blackwater Rd  
 Vanderhoof BC

Contest and Game Tickets are available at the door for small fee of .50 cents/ticket

## Babysitter's Training

Learn first aid, safety, how to handle emergency situations, and understand your responsibilities and babysitters' rights when handling children. Students are required to bring their own pencils, baby doll, bottle, baby clothing, and a nutritious lunch. All babysitters and future babysitters age 11 and over are encouraged to take this course!

**Date:** October 19, 2018 (Pro D Day!)  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 3:30 pm  
**Instructor:** Dawne Persson  
**Fee:** \$80



To register call CNC Vanderhoof: (250) 567-3200