The Cawing Crow Chronicle



September 2026

Grateful to live, learn, and work in the homelands of the Ktunaxa People.



Upcoming

September 15- School Photo Day
September 18- No School (Pro-D)

September 23- Open House

September 23- Indigenous Student Leadership Meeting

September 29- Orange Shirt Day

September 30- No School (Day of Truth and Reconciliation)

Parkland Information

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Indigenous Websites

Communities:
?aqam
Tobacco Plains
?akisqnuk
Yaqan Nukiy

Games:
Indigenous Games for Children (Youth)
Creative Spirits

Languages:
First Voices
First Voices Kids (Ktunaxa Songs and Stories)
Michif

Museums:
Glenbow Museum
Museum of Anthropology

Dear parents and guardians,

Hello, my name is Marie Dawson, and I am Parkland Middle School's Indigenous Education Support Worker. I am Cree Metis, and I am grateful to live here, in the beautiful homelands of the Ktunaxa people.

In preparation for the upcoming 2026/2027 school year, Parkland Middle School office has sent out Parent Engagement Permission Forms for Indigenous Education. Please sign and return, for your child to receive services.

I look forward to discussing the Indigenous Support Services with your student. If you do not wish your child to receive support services through Indigenous Education, please let us know.

Indigenous Education Supports Include:

- Advocacy for strategies and structures to be culturally safe and appropriate for Indigenous students
- Communication between students, families, and teachers
- Elders in Residence Support
- Tutoring
- Technology
- Connection to community
- Indigenous Student Leadership Group
- Community cultural events and connection
- Indigenous Languages and Cultural Programs
- Referrals to outside agencies and supports
- Daily snacks, Breakfast, and Lunch options
- School supplies & hygiene supplies
- A place to eat lunch

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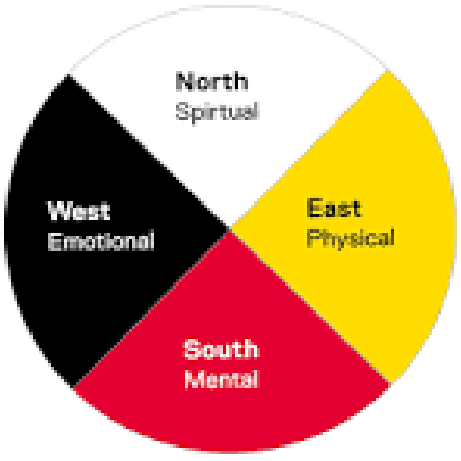

APPLE CAPTURE & PRESS

IN KIMBERLEY!

TWO FUN DAYS. SWEET REWARDS!

Join us for two wonderful days of apples, community, and delicious rewards!

Take home fresh APPLE CIDER!

APPLE CAPTURE

Saturday, September 12, 2026

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

865 Rotary Drive, Kimberley, BC

A VEHICLE IS NEEDED for the capture date.

APPLE PRESS

Sunday, September 13, 2026

8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

865 Rotary Drive, Kimberley, BC

JOIN US FOR ONE OR BOTH DAYS!

REGISTER FOR ONE OR BOTH DAYS!

Spots are limited – sign up today!

TO REGISTER OR FOR QUESTIONS:

Email: RMMAFAMILYNAVIGATOR@GMAIL.COM

Call or Text: 250 908 7907

BRING A FRIEND, YOUR FAMILY, AND ENJOY A FUN MORNING IN THE ORCHARD!

PROUDLY IN KIMBERLEY, BC

Child & Family
Service Society

COMMUNITY DINNER

COME TOGETHER AND ENJOY A MEAL WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

SEPTEMBER 24 5:00 PM

UNTIL FOOD RUNS OUT

THIS MONTHS MENU:

SPAGHETTI, SALAD, BUNS, DRINKS & DESSERT!
(GLUTEN FREE OPTION WILL BE AVAILABLE)

DOOR PRIZES TO BE WON!

DAN JOE MEMORIAL GYM
7500 MISSION ROAD, AQAM
(ATTACHED TO ʔAq̓AMNIK SCHOOL)

Rocky Mountain Métis

IS HAVING A

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION Day Dinner



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
food, community & celebration!

TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 29, 2026

5:00 PM

RAILWAY MUSEUM

POTLUCK DINNER
Bring a dish to share if you can!

MICHIF BINGO
Fun for everyone!

PRIZES & DOOR PRIZES!



Come together with family, friends, and community as we gather in the spirit of Truth & Reconciliation.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Southeast Kootenay School District
2026-2027 Annual School Calendar

July 2026

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August 2026

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September 2026

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October 2026

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November 2026

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December 2026

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February 2027

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March 2027

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April 2027

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May 2027

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June 2027

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School Breaks

Professional Development Day

Stat Holidays

Administrative Day

Approved March 10, 2026



I will continue to Live Stream the Big Bear Valley Bald Eagles. Please drop by the Gathering Place to watch Shadow and Kaydee live, or live stream at home: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4-L2nfGcuE



Michif Languages of the Metis

Michif is a term commonly used to encompass unique Métis languages. They include Northern Michif, Southern Michif, Cree Michif, French Michif, Bungi, and Cree.

Northern Michif- **Tân'si, pihtikwî tawâw (Welcome please come in)**

Southern Michif- **Pee-piihtikweek (welcome, come in)**

Cree Michif- **Tawâw, pihtikwî (Welcome, there is room, come in)**

French Michif- **Binvinu, rent soplay (welcome, please come in)**

Bungi- **tawâw (there is room, come in)**

Cree**- tawâw or tatawâw- (there is room, come in, you're welcome)**

Translations can change when directed at an individual vs. a group.

Resources for you:

Heritage Michif To-Go APP- https://apps.apple.com/ca/app/heritage-michif-to-go/id1480241798

The Gabriel Dumont Institute- https://gdins.org/metis-culture/publishing/michif-resources/

Michif Monday with Sampson and MNC- https://www.youtube.com/shorts/3ss1-z6dt0A

Metis Nation BC (MNBC)- https://www.mnbc.ca/work-programs/ministries/culture-heritage-language

Rocky Mountain Metis (RMMA)- https://rockymountainmetis.com/





We are officially in the BER months…

SeptemBER
OctoBER
NovemBER
DecemBER

Wishing you all a smooth school start up 😊