



## NEWS AND NOTES

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

#### Monday

- No School

#### Tuesday

#### Wednesday

#### Thursday

#### Friday

- Recognition Assembly

### THIS IS YOUR PRINCIPAL SPEAKING



Another busy week here at Henderson Elementary. I was so proud of our students as we discussed topics such as residential schools and truth and reconciliation. As part of our Orange Shirt day experience today the whole school stood in a circle and talked about what reconciliation means: to repair broken relationships. We talked about how in order to do this we need to speak truth and be honest about our past so that we can heal and begin to create a better future for everyone. Later in the day I went to each classroom read with the class. With Div 5 and Strong start I read about how [we hold each other up](#) by being kind, caring, and respectful. With Div 4 I read about [learning from the world around us](#) and we talked about knowledge keepers in our lives, and how indigenous people taught through stories. In Div 2 and 3 we read the story of an [encounter of two people](#) who though saw there own differences, ultimately were the same underneath

With Div 1 we read [about the power of people who matter](#), and how we can all change the world - focusing on the a history of Indigenous heroes. I love the opportunities to sit with our students and listen to their thoughts and views on the world around them. Thank you for sharing them with us. This next week is relatively quiet. I will be away at training during the week, however, Ms Burnett and Ms Hodgins will be covering for me in the office. We will be having our first recognition assembly on Friday, and we are excited to welcome families of the students who are being recognized during the assembly. You will be contacted by Ms Good if you child is being recognized. Their first name will also be included in the month newsletter that will go home on Tuesday, [Remember the community Orange Shirt Day Walk this Saturday at 2:00: the Old Hospital site to Willingdon](#)

### AYA JUTHEM WORD OF THE WEEK

[λεgə](#) Hurry Up - (kle-gah)

When was the last time someone told you to [λεgə](#)? When was the last time you told your child to [λεgə](#)? Too often in life we focus on what comes next and we forget to live in the present. It doesn't matter how fast we go, tomorrow won't happen any sooner. Next time you feel the need to [λεgə](#) - take a moment. Reflect on what is happening now, and allow yourself the time to be present in the moment. [λεgə](#) can wait, being with those we love cannot. May we all take time for ourselves and our families this weekend. Leave the [λεgə](#) for later - remember, today is a gift, that is why they call it the present.

### HENDERSON READS

#### The Orange Shirt Story

*P. Webstad*

When six-year-old Phyllis leaves her grandparent's farm and arrives to start school at the St. Joseph's Mission residential school near Williams Lake, she is not allowed to wear the shiny orange shirt her grandmother gave her. This Canadian memoir presents a residential school survivor's point of view and records the origin of Orange Shirt Day.



#### THIS WEEKS QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out." – Robert Collier

#### GUILDING PRINCIPLE OF THE MONTH

Integrity