



## Family WAAG January 12 – January 16, 2026

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### SCHOOL CALENDAR

To stay up to date about what is happening at the school, you can subscribe to the calendar on the Burnett website. When on the website, go to School Calendar and scroll down to the bottom of the calendar and click on Subscribe to Our Calendar.

### ATHLETICS

For information about Burnett Athletics and Teams, please see the link on our [website here](#).

### CAREER CENTRE – Post Secondary Planning

Check out our career centre website for upcoming student presentations and important information related to post-secondary planning! [Click here!](#)

### SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICES

You can book an appointment with your school counsellor online! Click on the [Counselling Centre](#), and book your appointment.

### GRAD PHOTO SESSIONS

Grads of 2026, book your graduation photo session NOW to get your first choice of time and date.

**Artona will have their mobile studio at Burnett from January 30 - February 6, 2026.**

Go to <https://artona.com/schools/JNBU> Click on the “Grad Session” option.

### PAC

Families can contact Burnett’s Parent Advisory Council at [jnbpac.general@gmail.com](mailto:jnbpac.general@gmail.com) PAC Meeting dates listed on the School Calendar. Note Change to January’s Meeting – Now Jan. 15.  
Volunteering and Fundraising Opportunities:  
PAC Committee Member: <https://forms.gle/MG8yWNhc1Tf8kKdY7>

### COURSE CHANGE REQUEST FOR SEMESTER 2

For students wishing to change courses in semester 2, there will be a link to the online course change form sent out on January 15th. The only way to request a course change is through this online form. The online form closes on Jan 19th at 8 AM. **Students will need their MS Teams Login credentials to complete the form. Please ensure you know this information in advance.**

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jan 13	Conference Day / Graduation Numeracy 10 Assessment
Jan 14	Evacuation Drill @ 2pm
Jan 15	PAC Meeting @ 7 pm
Jan 19	Semester 2 Course Change Requests Due @ 8am
Jan 22	Feeder School Concert
Jan 23	Last Day of Semester 1
Jan 26	Pro-D Day (School Closed)
Jan 27	Learning Completion Day (Non-instructional Day)
Jan 27	Graduation Language 12 Assessment
Jan 28	Semester 2 Starts
Jan 30-Feb 6	Artona Grad Photos
Feb 2	Summary of Learning S1 Published
Feb 3	Gr 10 & 11 Program Planning Presentation (PLT)
Feb 5-6	Grad Friendship Photos
Feb 5	Gr 8 & 9 Program Planning Presentation (PLT) /MEC Info Session on Teams / PAC Meeting @ 7 PM
Feb 9	Parent Program Planning Info Night on MS Teams
Feb 12	Meet the Teacher Night
Feb 13	Pro-D Day (School Closed to Students)
Feb 15	Maha Shivaratri
Feb 16	BC Family Day (School Closed)
Feb 17	Lunar New Year / Ramadan Begins
Feb 23	2026-2027 Course Requests Due @ 8am
Feb 25	Pascal, Cayley, Fermat Math Contests

### District PLT Dates

The theme for the District hosted PLT sessions: Safe, Ethical, and Effective Use of Artificial Intelligence. Dates remaining: Feb. 12, April 2, May 21

### Volunteer Requirements – Drivers and In School Volunteers

- All volunteers are now required to complete a criminal record check (CRC) prior to having their volunteer driving form being signed by the office
- CRC’s are completed online at no cost to the volunteer. NOTE: There is a processing time for the CRC to be completed. Once the school volunteer has submitted their online CRC, it is complete. School volunteers can email or print a copy of their submission confirmation and provide it to the school principal.



# BURNETT WAAC

## SAFETY AND TRAFFIC GUIDELINES

We encourage students to walk or bike to school – there are significant health benefits to doing. Walking would also help to ensure the safety of our students and reduce traffic congestion during busy times. If families insist on driving, we kindly ask everyone to follow these important guidelines:

- **Right Turn Only:** During peak hours (8:15–8:45 AM and 2:45–3:15 PM), please remember that only right turns are allowed when exiting the school at both the south and west exits onto Granville.
- **No Roadside Drop-offs:** For the safety of all, please avoid dropping off children at the side of the road or on the median on Granville and McCallan.
- **Pick Up in the Parking Lot:** Please pick up your children in the parking lot instead of the drop-off lane to keep the flow of traffic moving.
- **Avoid Double Parking**
- **Encourage Walking or Biking:** If possible, encourage your children to walk or bike to school. It's a great way to promote independence and stay active. Cyclists take great care and caution and learn the rules of the road!
- **Drop Off a Few Blocks Away:** Consider dropping your children off a short distance from the school to help ease parking lot congestion.
- **Leave a Few Minutes Early:** Giving yourself a little extra time can help you avoid the rush and make the drop-off process smoother.

We appreciate your support in helping us create a safe and efficient environment for all our students and families. Thank you for your cooperation!

## BELL SCHEDULE

MONDAY + WEDNESDAY + FRIDAY	
CLASS	TIME
WELCOME BELL	8:25am
BLOCK A	8:30 – 9:50
BLOCK B	9:55 – 11:15
BREAK	11:15 – 11:25
BLOCK C	11:30 – 12:50
LUNCH	12:50 – 1:35
BLOCK D	1:40 -- 3:00

TUESDAY + THURSDAY	
CLASS	TIME
BLOCK A	8:30 – 9:38
PLT	9:43 – 10:31
BLOCK B	10:36 – 11:44
BREAK	11:44 – 11:54
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COLLABORATION DAY	
CLASS	TIME
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BLOCK A	9:30 – 10:35
BLOCK B	10:40 – 11:45
BREAK	11:45 – 11:55
BLOCK C	12:00 – 1:05
LUNCH	1:05 – 1:50
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CONFERENCE DAY	
CLASS	TIME
HOMEROOM	8:30 – 9:00
SESSION 1	9:10 – 10:10
BREAK	10:10 – 10:20
SESSION 2	10:25 – 11:25
LUNCH	11:25 – 12:10
SESSION 3	12:15 – 1:15
SESSION 4	1:25 – 2:25
HOMEROOM/PLT	2:30 – 3:00
GLA/GNA SESSION 1	8:15 – 11:15
GLA/GNA SESSION 2	12:00 – 3:00

## PLT – PERSONAL LEARNING TIME

Just a brief reminder of the changes to Personal Learning Time (formerly BLT-Burnett Learning Time):

### Structure

- PLT is on Tuesdays and Thursdays and will be scheduled between first and second period starting September 9.
- Each PLT block will be 48 minutes in duration.
- All students will be required to attend each PLT session

### Increased Opportunities for Student Support

PLT will increase support for all students and empower students to:

- Choose what area of learning they want to focus on
- Choose who they need to connect with for support (Teachers may request that you sign-up for a specific PLT)
- Learn how to self-manage their time and develop skills to be more independent learners

### Strategies for Success – Some PLT Ideas

- Review class notes, textbook, homework and learning activities
- Make cue cards/flashcards or prepare other study tactics
- Review a quiz/test with a friend or work on group class projects
- Stay organized: record important assignment dates in agenda/clean-up binder
- Read/Journal
- Ask questions of, converse and consult with teachers
- Skills you will develop: questioning, communication, goal setting, organization, time management, self-regulation and awareness
- PLAN/SET PRIORITIES – What is due first? What is most difficult? What will take the most time?
- ORGANIZE – If tasks are completed, what else can be done to improve my learning - study, read, practice....What materials/resources do I need to bring with me to PLT?

Information and Reminders were shared with students during Homeroom this week; please see attached.

## ATTENDANCE

If your child will be late or away from school, either for the full day or part of the day, please let the school know.

Two ways to report absences:

**Early Warning line** -- leave a voicemail at 604-718-4007

**School Email** -- send an email to [burnett@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:burnett@sd38.bc.ca)

Please leave the following information with your message:

- **Student's first and last names**
- **Student number** — we have several students with the same first and last names, the student number will allow the school to enter the excused absence for the correct student.
- **Parent/Guardian Identity** — only parents, homestay parents and legal guardians are allowed to excuse a student from school. Please identify yourself (mom, dad, homestay, etc.) when reporting a student absence.
- **Reason** for the absence — illness, appointment, travel, etc.
- **Duration** of the absence (start date to end date) — if absence is for more than one day.

The school will send automated voice calls and emails to parents and legal guardians of students with unexcused absence for the day. Please inform the school if you have a change in your contact information (cellphone, home phone, email address).

## DISTRICT POLICY: Student Personal Digital Device

The Ministry of Education requires ALL districts and schools to have a policy for digital devices. The purpose for this is to make youth safe, improve student mental health, and eliminate constant interruptions from their learning.

The policy states that students can use their digital device IF, the teacher asks the students to use their device for a learning activity. Students who do not have device, will be offered a school device for the class.

Otherwise, ALL students must keep their device powered off and be in their backpack or their locker. If students do not follow the policy, staff will remind the student, and if they continue to use their device, staff will connect with parents, and possibly the student will not be allowed to have device at school. Furthermore, devices should not be used in changerooms and bathrooms. Students will be able to use their devices at break and at lunch.