



November 2-6, 2026

Monday Nov. 2	Tuesday Nov. 3	Wednesday Nov. 4	Thursday Nov. 5	Friday Nov. 6
ABCD	Conference Day (alternate bell schedule) Grade 12 Literacy Assessment	ABCD Grade 9 Take our Kids to Work Day	PLT-ABCD SD38 Support Staff Day of Recognition	ABCD <i>RIE Student Lunch Meeting will be rescheduled</i>

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.

ATTENDANCE

Parents/guardians are required to inform the school if their child will be late, absent or need to leave the school early. Students are not allowed to excuse themselves. Only parents/legal guardians/homestay parents/custodians are allowed to excuse a child from school.

Please leave a message on our absent line at **604-718-4007** with the following information:

1. Your name and how you are related to the student (mom, dad, homestay parent, etc.)
2. Your child's name
3. Your child's student number (we have several students with the same first and last names, and the student number will identify your child)
4. Whether your child will be late, absent or dismissed early
5. Reason for late arrival, absence, or early dismissal

Students need to sign in at the office if they are coming to school more than 10 minutes late and sign out if they are leaving before the end of the school day. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

SCHOOL FORMS – Please Return to the Office ASAP

Students received a Personal Information Consent Form, a Student Medical Information Verification Form and a Walking Fieldtrip Form in September. It is very important that this information be kept up-to-date and accurate in case of an emergency. If any of the information on the form is incorrect, please make the necessary changes right on the form. These forms need to be signed and returned to the school office as soon as possible.

GRADUATION ASSESSMENT: GLA 12 – Nov. 3

All Grade 12 students will be writing their GLA 12 on Tuesday, November 3rd during Conference Day. An e-mail was sent home on Friday, October 30th with more information. Information is also posted on the windows across from the office and on the [school website](#). Students who missed the GLA 12 Prep Session on Thursday, October 29 can [click here](#) to practice a sample assessment.

ARTONA PHOTO RETAKES

Your Retake Day photos are now online!

Students and families will be able to scan their QR codes to view their photos and order or enter their access code on our website: View and Order. All orders placed within 10 days of retake day will be shipped to your school free of charge. Please visit our website to view your school's timeline: <https://artona.com>

GR. 9 TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY – Nov. 4

Wednesday, November 4th, 2026 is the date for this year's Grade 9 Take Our Kids to Work Day (TOKWD) event. Copies of the parent letter and permission form, as well as the family resource guide for your reference, have been emailed home. **Student participation forms were due on Wednesday, October 28, 2026.**

PURDY'S FUNDRAISER

Burnett Music Department is holding their **Purdy's Fundraiser** this winter. If you would like to support their musical adventures or just love a good box of chocolates, visit:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/fundraising/campaign/000036147/member/55482>

CONFERENCE DAY #1 – Nov. 3

At Burnett, we have 2 Conference Days planned for the year that support all students in meeting their Career Education learning goals each semester. Our first day is coming up on **Tuesday, November 3rd**. The day is organized around **homerooms** and follows a different schedule (see below). Our theme for this day is "Careers and Futures." E-mails were sent out on Friday, October 30th that provided more details.

Students will report to their homeroom class starting at 8:30am. All assignments are due at 4pm Friday, November 6, 2026 in Microsoft Teams.

Time	Activity
8:30-9:00am	Homeroom
9:10-10:10am	Session 1
10:10-10:20am	Break
10:25-11:25am	Session 2
11:25-12:10pm	Lunch
12:15-1:15pm	Session 3
1:25 -2:25pm	Session 4
2:30-3:00pm	Homeroom

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS – Teams, Clubs, Field Trips

If you plan to be a volunteer driver for J.N. Burnett this year, the District requires a quick Criminal Record Check, a completed volunteer driver form, and a copy of your insurance coverage. For more information, see the main office.

SUPPORT STAFF DAY OF RECOGNITION – Nov. 5

Behind every successful school day are dedicated support staff who help students learn, grow, and belong and who maintain our spaces for learning to happen. *We recognize and thank these valued members of our school community for the care, expertise, and heart they bring to their work each day.*



SCHOOL CALENDAR AND BELL SCHEDULES

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. [Click here for the School Bell Schedule](#).

PLT – PERSONAL LEARNING TIME

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 and 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?

SCHOOL BASED CLUBS

We had a very successful Clubs Day event on October 8, 2026. Thank you to Student Council for their work to help organize this wonderful event. For the information of all of our students, there are 32 school based clubs running this year! There are opportunities for all students and all interests. We encourage all of our students to participate in some club activities. In case you missed Clubs Day, for more information, [click here](#). All clubs are open to all J.N. Burnnett students.

SAFER SCHOOLS TOGETHER SESSIONS

Safer Schools Together offers training sessions for students, parents/caregivers, and educators. These sessions are designed to help promote informed decision-making both online and offline to ensure safe and caring school communities.

For parents/caregivers and youth aged 10+, Family Sessions include:

- Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities
- Establishing Family Practices for Safeguarding Against Cyberbullying and Sextortion

The complete [2026/27 erase training schedule](#) is open for registration through 2026.

ARTONA GRAD PHOTO BOOKING

For Grade 12 students wishing to book their Grad photos. For further information [Click here](#) or go to our school website.

CAREER CENTRE – Post Secondary Planning

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

SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICES

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

PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

Families can contact Burnett's Parent Advisory Council at jnbpac.general@gmail.com or follow on Instagram @jnburnettpac.

BREAKER ATHLETICS

For information about Burnett Athletics and Teams, [click here](#) or follow us on Instagram @jnbathletics.

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.
- **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!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov. 8	Diwali/Indigenous Veterans' Day
Nov. 10	Remembrance Day Ceremony – Alternate Bell Schedule
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day (school closed)
Nov. 18	Canadian Senior Intermediate Math Contests Simon Fraser University Session in the Library (lunch)
Nov. 19	PAC Meeting (7pm)
Nov. 23	Learning Update – S1 Midterm Published on MyEd Pro-D Day (school closed)
Nov. 24	Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib
Dec. 2	Winter Wonderland Music Celebration
Dec. 4-12	Hannukah
Dec. 14	Learning Update – At Risk Interim Reports E-Mailed Home
Dec. 15	Senior's Breakfast
Dec. 16	Winter Breakfast Last Day of School Before Winter Break
Dec. 25	Christmas
Dec. 26	Boxing Day
Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 4	First Day of School After Winter Break
Jan. 12	Gr. 10 Graduation Assessment – GNA 10
Jan. 15	Black Excellence Day
Jan. 19	Gr. 8 Literacy Assessment
Jan. 21	PAC Meeting @ 7pm
Jan. 28	Last Day of Semester 1
Jan. 29	Learning Completion Day
Feb. 1	Learning Completion Day

"The beautiful thing
about learning is
that no one can take
it away from you."

- B.B. King

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