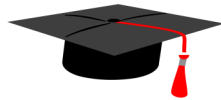


## Superintendent's Report - June 2023

We recognize that we learn, teach and work on the ancestral, traditional territories of the Nte?kepmx and Syilx people and we acknowledge our Metis communities and their contributions to the Aboriginal ways of being and knowing.

Congratulations to the graduating students of Merritt Secondary, Princeton Secondary, Community Learning Centre, The Bridge and SCIDES.



"Be proud of how far you have come, believe in how far you can go – we cannot wait to see the next chapter in your stories unfold!"

Our deepest gratitude is sent to everyone who has supported each and every graduate!



### MERRITT CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Thank you to the District for organizing The Jess Dance Performing Arts workshops. Instructor Josh was amazing!



# John Allison Elementary



School wide Art Show. Thank you to Ms. Draude and our 140 amazing artists for their work!



Marionette puppets—created and brought to life by grade 2 students.



## Vermilion Forks Elementary



Sunnybrae Camp - Grade 7 students.



## École Élémentaire Collettville • Collettville Elementary



### Grade 7 Trip to Montreal and Quebec City



## Diamond Vale Elementary School

### Battle of the Books!

*Diamond Vale had two teams participate in the district Competition. Those that couldn't attend the event were able to watch on the big screen from the school. Diamond Vale took home 1st Prize! Congratulations!*





Bike to School Week  
and  
District Powwow



Moose Hide Campaign





ADST



Kids were working hard on their gravity cars over a two week span when we had the opportunity to utilize the district trades trailer. It was great to be out in the sun and creating with wood and tools. Kids hosted their classroom races the first week in June and our school finals were scheduled the afternoon of June 9<sup>th</sup>



The MSS Athletic program has had an impressive year. We are finishing our spring season strong with our Ultimate, Golf and Track teams all representing Merritt Secondary at Provincial Championships. Earning a berth into these events is no easy task. We are so proud of our athletes and very grateful for the coaches who put in so much time and energy.



# Indigenous Education



Indigenous Grad @NVIT



## Early Learning and Child Care



We wrapped up all our **Ready Set Learn** events (7 across the district) for 2023. Students were able to see everything from chick eggs in an incubator, tour Kindergarten classes, play with big buddies in the gym, hear classroom stories, play at centers, and engage in crafts like making spring crowns. A big thank you to administrators for talking about their schools and providing tours, Kindergarten teachers for welcoming us into their spaces and our StrongStart Educators for helping to plan and organize the events.



We have one final session of our **Little Big People Events (SEY2KT)** on June 14<sup>th</sup> at Merritt Central from 10-11:30. It's been a great couple of months meeting and engaging with our soon to be Kindergarten families! A huge thank-you to all our staff and community members involved in these activities.



# StrongStart



StrongStart graduation – 15 students from Diamond Vale StrongStart heading off to Kindergarten in September.

