



## Edgewood Elementary School (SD57 Prince George)

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Dear Parents,

On Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, the RCMP issued a media release requesting the public's assistance in locating a missing man. This missing person is an Edgewood staff member, Mr. Grant. You may have seen this release or have already heard about this through social media or through other members of the community.

We do not have any more information than what was released to the media on September 27, 2019. We remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

We are sensitive that many individuals may be affected by this news and supports are available through the school and community counselling services. Also, if needed, Student Support Services District Critical Event Response Team (CERT) is available to provide ongoing support for students and staff.

Out of respect for the family, please refrain from commenting on social media regarding this event. Details on social media are not always accurate and may re-traumatize those who are affected. Dealing with a potential loss is a personal process, and individual privacy and sensitivity is of utmost importance. If you notice you or your child is having difficulties, or if there is a change in behavior or mood, I encourage you to connect with the school and/or community counsellors.

We encourage you to speak to your child regarding this situation. This may be your child's first experience in dealing with a potential loss so supporting them is of paramount importance. Equally important is recognition that this event may trigger past experiences for yourself and/or your child. Please take care of yourselves and each other.

Over the next few days, information will be posted on the school website with regards on how to support your child through this difficult time.

Listed below are a few of the several support agencies in the school/community that you may access:

Counsellors/Administration – **Edgewood 250-562-5381**

Mental Health Services 250-565-2668

24 Hr. Crisis Centre/Line 250-563-1214 / 1-888-562-1214

Prince George Native Friendship Center 250-564-3568

Intersect 250-562-6639

Foundry 236-423-1571

If you have any imminent concerns about your child's safety, please contact the family physician or go to the University Hospital of Northern BC (UHNBC) emergency room. The Edgewood community is here to support you through this difficult time. Please don't hesitate to contact the school for support.

Sincerely,

Laurie Bryce, Principal

