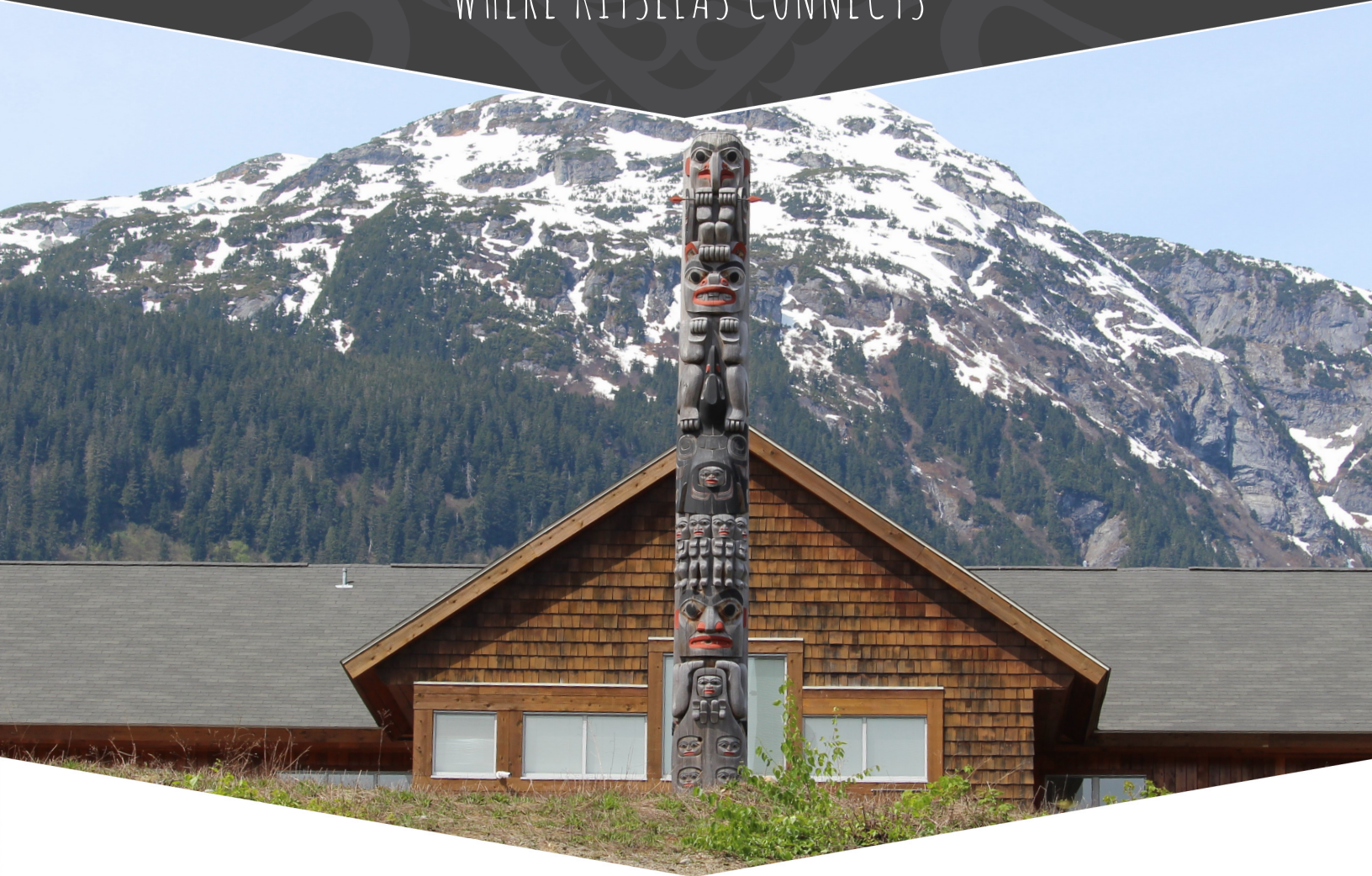


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WHERE KITSELAS CONNECTS

AUG 19, 2022



A Bi-Weekly newsletter from the



Kitselas Band Council & Administration

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August 2022



COUNCIL NEWS

Council Meeting Agenda Items



UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

2022

- September 13, 2022
(TBD)



ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING
KITSELAS 2022
FIRST NATION

10, SEPTEMBER, 2022
8:30AM - 2PM

📍 Kitselas
Community Hall

**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**

Meeting Link

<https://kitselas.webex.com/kitselas/j.php?MTID=ma717d7be024c13bf73494fc71f89706d>

Meeting Number

2304 549 8564

Meeting Password

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Join By Phone

+1-855-699-3239 CANADA/US TOLL FREE
+1-604-646-8916 VANCOUVER LOCAL

Access code: 23045498564

Provided

- Light breakfast
- Lunch





ADULT REGISTRATION!

Always Wanted Your Dogwood?

Did you know all it takes is 5 courses to achieve an Adult Dogwood? Wabsuwilaks'm Gitselasu Adult Centre is now taking applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Now is the time to get the dogwood you always wished you had. All you need is:

1. Be 18+
2. Live on reserve
3. Valid ID

**Call or email Jericho Collison
for more info.**

**School opens Thursday
September 8th, 2022 @ 9:30AM**



**Never too late to
start!**

**Transportation to
and from our
school**

**Daily breakfast &
lunch**

**On site certified
teacher**

**New IMacs &
laptops for you to
use**

KITSELAS FIRST NATION

2225 Gitaus Rd
Terrace, BC

(250)635-5084 ex 3301

Cell (250) 615-6947

teacher@kitselas.com

9am-4pm



KITSELAS FIRST NATION

Application for School Supply Allowance 2022-2023

Student Information:

Last Legal Name:	Select: <input type="checkbox"/> Status Indian	Grade:
First and Middle Names:	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Status <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	School:
Birthdate: (YYYY/MM/DD)	Status Card Number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Thornhill Primary (K-3)
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	Band Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Thornhill Elementary (4-6)
Home Address:	<input type="checkbox"/> Kitselas <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Skeena Middle
Postal Code:	Email:	<input type="checkbox"/> Caledonia Secondary
Phone Number:	Cell Phone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Parkside Secondary
		<input type="checkbox"/> Centennial Christian
		<input type="checkbox"/> 'Na Aksa Gylak'yoo (Kitsumkalum)
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

Lives With:

Select One: <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	
Last Name:	
First Name:	
Relationship to Student	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Step-Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Step-Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Aunt	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncle
<input type="checkbox"/> Grand-Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Grand-Father
<input type="checkbox"/> Guardian	

Note: Form must be completed and returned to calculate school supply allowance.

x One Form per Student

Please get additional copies from office.

Office Use Only:

By signing below, I agree to:

Consent to Release Student Records

As per section 10.5.1 of the Local Education Agreement, this consent authorizes Coast Mountains School District 82 OR Centennial Christian School OR 'Na Aksa Gylak'yoo School and its school representatives to release student's academic records to the Kitselas Education Coordinator for my child.

Consent to Release Student Information

I authorize the Education Coordinator to share information about my child with the Social Development Department in order to participate in the hot lunch program. This information is limited to: first name, last name, school and grade.

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



Kitselas Head Start & Daycare

1581 Kulspai Crescent
Terrace BC
Phone: 250-635-5084 ext: 5027
Cell: 250-641-8754
Email: headstart@kitselas.com



To our Kitselas Parents, Grandparents, and Families

We are happy to announce that Kitselas Head Start (Preschool) is now Kitselas Head Start & Day Care which will be providing Daycare.

Anne has always had the focus on having a Daycare for our growing families as we see the Parents endure their Education, work, and training. she had an opportunity to apply for Funding that gave Kitselas to provide a no cost Daycare to parents.

This is available to children on reserve ages 2.5 years old (2 spots) – 5 years old of age not entered Kindergarten (14 spots). After all children on reserve has applied, we invite children off reserve.

Transportation is only offered on reserve for pick up and drop off.

The Health Director, Band Manager and Staff have been working hard to make this available very soon; we are looking opening as Daycare in September 2022: we currently hiring staff and making adjustments to center/supplies for additional enrollment and staff.

At this time, we invite you to apply for Kitselas Head Start & Daycare

The Parent Hand Book and Registrations available at the

Kitselas Head Start & Daycare: 8:30am – 3:00 pm

Your child will need the following:

- Copy of Immunized records
- Medical number, Doctor/dental numbers
- Status number
- Change clothes and inside shoes (Velcro or slip on)

Childcare provided:

Monday-Friday center opens to children 8:30 am

Bus run at 9:00 am arrive in Gitau 9:20 am (times may vary in the beginning to adjust for number of children to pick up)

Rides are available for program pick up/drop off (on reserve)

Our Program involves 6 components:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| • Tsimshian Culture & Language | • Nutrition |
| • Education | • Social Support |
| • Health Promotion | • Parent & family Involvement |

If anyone has any further questions, don't hesitate to give me a call at 250-635-5084 ext.5027 for 250-641-8754 (Annes work cell)



Community Notice



Fentanyl



No fentanyl

Test Strip Kits for Fentanyl

Available at the Kitselas
Office during office

Hours from 8:30 am — 4 pm

Never use alone. Carry Naloxone kits (available at the office).



If you are ready to quit help is

Available, please contact the health team (250) 635-5084



Mike Scott inspirational speaker who presented his life story on Wednesday, August 10th, 2022

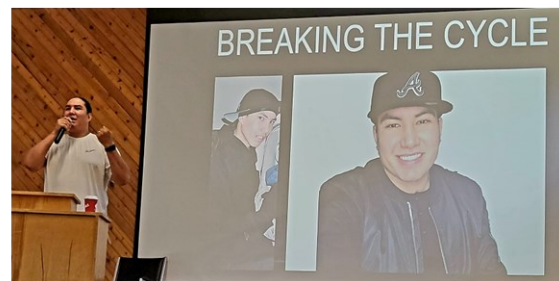
“It was an awesome day listening to his stories, his life, his message. Very inspiring”-Clarisa Spencer

Kitselas Health teamed up with Kitselas Social Development and NIFCS to bring Mike Scott to Kitselas First Nation.

Approximately 60 community members attended the event, ages 10+. Twenty of those attendees were K5T employees/students.

Each person who attended received a sweater from Mike Scott’s clothing line.

It was a great turn out.



Kitselas Leadership/Culture camp 2022

This year was another great year at our annual culture camp, we also included a leadership camp this year to teach some leadership skills for the older youth to assist us with the younger youth. We partnered this year with UNBC/NIFCS/Kitselas treaty to offer our youth some cultural activities and some leadership and scientific activities.

First week started July 4-8th

This was our leadership camp for youth ages 12 and up, we had a total of 15 older registered youth that participated in this week long training, our week included a visit to Stan Bevans carving shed/Treaty simulation with BCTC/Training with UNBC/Kayaking and a tour of our Forest Garden with Patsy and Chelsea. We also had the opportunity to listen our elders Isabelle Mckee and Ken Mcdames Sr. talk about some history of Kitselas.

Second week July 11-15th

This was the start of our culture camp for youth ages 6-11, for this camp we had a total of 22 youth registered, bringing our total amount of youth up to 37 as we combined our leadership camp. We had the opportunity to work with UNBC this week, some of the activities included:

- Harvesting raspberries and learning how to jar (Nutritional Science)
- 3 science experiments (Biochemistry Science)
- Toured community garden and community smokehouses
- Traditional art classes with Sierra Spencer
- Toured traditional Kitselas lands at Ferry Island and learned about its history
- Spent the day at lakelse lake

Third week July 18th – 22nd

Our last week of camp included a trip to the Nisga'a Museum in Laxgalstap, we also made a stop at Gitwinksihlkw to visit the walking bridge. During the week we also harvest more raspberries and blueberries, and did more traditional art work. We had the opportunity to teach them some outdoor survival skills that included what to do in the event you find yourself lost in the woods, like staying in one spot and building a shelter in case you have to stay over-night. We ended our camp with a day at the Lakelse lake, the kids really enjoyed themselves and are already asking about next year and what we can do.

It was a difficult month for our community, we had many deaths in the community, we did our best to keep our programs going and took the time to educate our youth on what our cultural protocols are when someone passes away in the community, we had moments of silence and made some grief counsellors available to those youth who needed to talk to someone.

I would also like to mention that we took our 13u boys youth basketball team to a tournament in Gitlaxdaamix July 8-9th, they played 4 games in two days and came in 3rd, I am very proud of our teams this year and cant wait until next basketball season.



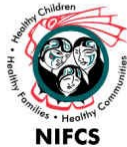




" Hello community of Kitselas,

I've been contracted with NIFCS to be the Community Liaison Officer from July 11, 2022 to September 30, 2022. I've recently completed my training sessions, and am now planning on meeting with the community of Kitselas to share information on Bill C-92. My plan is to meet with 4 different groups: Kitselas Chief and Council, along with Leadership, Elders, Community & Youth. Please keep an eye out for upcoming dates to meet with my team and I to learn what this means for our children and community. I look forward to meeting with you all. Toyaxsuut nuusm (thank you all),

Sue Clayton."



Bill C-92 Information Sheet

Bill C-92 - *An Act respecting First Nations, Inuit and Métis children, youth and families* is an Act to affirm and recognize First Nations jurisdiction over child and family services. It came into force on January 1, 2020.

Northwest Inter-Nation Family Community Services Society (NIFCS) is an Aboriginal based agency that provides family support, guardianship, and caregiver services to seven First Nations communities in the Northwest region of British Columbia. Our member communities are: Kitselas, Haisla Nation, Lax Kw'alaams Band, Gitxaala Nation, Gitga'at Nation, Kitsumkalum Indian Band, and Metlakatla First Nation.

In 2021, NIFCS applied for funding under the Community Well Being Jurisdiction Initiative (CWJI). The Community Well-Being and Jurisdiction Initiatives Program funding is targeted to First Nation communities to lead, develop and deliver prevention programs and services that:

- are culturally appropriate
- are in keeping with the best interests of the child, as determined by the community
- support First Nations capacity in child and family well-being

NIFCS goal is to support our communities in the ongoing dialogue on the *Act respecting First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Children, Youth and Families*. With the CWJI Program Funding, NIFCS has contracted Community Liaison Officers from July 11, 2022 to September 30, 2022 to increase engagement, provide more awareness of Bill C-92 as well as gather input and feedback.

While this initial engagement for some communities may require a reflection on how the community historically took care of their children and families, it is also an opportunity for each community to provide feedback on the direction of childcare in the future.

One of the NIFCS communities, Lax Kw'alaams Band, has undertaken prevention utilizing the Na Gan Ts'i'stk Grandmother's Group. The Grandmothers Group are already taking steps to care for their children and families. Lax Kw'alaams Band has an existing framework and may want to dialogue on how it will enact their own laws and jurisdiction.

NIFCS would like our member communities to work together and explore options. The Community Liaison Officers will be engaging with their respective community to speak one-on-one or with groups to dialogue and engage. The Community Liaison Officers are as follows:

Joanne Ross, Haisla
Sharon K Bryant, Kitsumkalum

Susan Clayton, Kitselas
Helen E. Campbell-Johnson, Lax Kw'alaams

NIFCS respects and acknowledges that we are not the rights holders, but with over 20 years of sharing and collaborating with our member communities, we believe we can offer value when it comes to exploring future opportunities with respect to children, youth, and families. Under the child welfare legislation, we see an opportunity to support the elected leadership and others the elected leadership would like to engage with such as Hereditary Chiefs, Elders, knowledge holders, families, and youth to move this work forward in a good way.

NIFCS and Bill C-92 Information Sheet, Community Liaison Officers Background



Kitselas Marine Plan



Spatial Mapping engagement sessions

Please join to learn more about the marine plan progress and process for developing spatial maps. Maps of Kitselas activities in the marine territory will be presented and your feedback is important!

Tuesday, Sept 6, 2022
KLRD Board Room

9:00 am - 5:00pm: Ocean users interviews

Interviews with ocean users and review of maps.

Please reach out to book an interview if you are interested!

Wednesday, Sept 7, 2022
Kitselas Hall

12:00-3:00 pm: Community drop-in

Come review maps and ask questions

5:00-7:00 pm: Open House

Short presentation, dinner and open house

**Dinner
and Prize
draw!**

Please contact Nina at nina.mk.nichols@gmail.com or Geneva at cec@kitselas.com for more info!

Kitselas First Nation Job Opportunities

- Language and Culture Coordinator. This is a full time position!

Please submit resume with cover letter to: jobopportunities@kitselas.com

[Language-Culture-Coordinator.pdf \(kitselas.com\)](#)

- Kitselas First Nation is looking for a Language Instructor. This is a full time position!

Please submit resume with cover letter to: jobopportunities@kitselas.com

[Language-Instructor.pdf \(kitselas.com\)](#)



COME JOIN US AT GEORGE LITTLE PARK
FOR OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 31st 2022

10:00AM TO 3:00PM

FOR:

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TSIMSHIAN
TERRITORY—10 AM**

DRUMMING - 10:15 AM

PURPLE RIBBON SWAG AVAILABLE

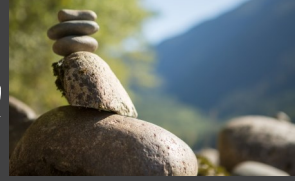
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OPEN MIC SPEAKERS

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KITSELAS CONNECTS

Is put together by the Kitselas Communications Department.

Please email communications@kitselas.com with any info - events, news, fundraisers, photos, etc. - that you would like to share with the community.

Deadline for submissions is Tuesday.

Call 250-635-5084 Ext. 4071 with any questions

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