



AW Neill Elementary School

A.W. Neill Elementary is committed to meeting the unique needs of students in a supportive, caring environment which promotes student learning, a sense of pride, responsibility, and accomplishment.

A.W. Neill Elementary is a K to 7 school in the community of Port Alberni located in the shared Tseshaht and Hupasasath territories in which we live and learn.

Enrolment for the 2017-2018 school year is 324 students from kindergarten to grade 7. Currently, 22% of our students are of Aboriginal Ancestry. We are currently staffed at 19.5 FTE teachers for the 2017-2018 school year. With six Education Assistant positions and a full-time Nuu-chah-nulth Education Worker.

The A.W. Neill Elementary PAC has been very supportive in fundraising to provide many opportunities to students in our school. The PAC supports include: supporting field trips, swimming and gymnastics lessons, and providing each classroom with funds to purchase materials that support student learning as well as supporting school-wide fun activities (Halloween pumpkin carving, Christmas store, Pancake Breakfast, Winter Wonderland skating and an annual Hee Haw/Family Fun Fair).

A.W. Neill Elementary School has a strong feeling of family as a result of its multi-aged groupings, and the frequency with which students take part in whole-school activities and celebrations. Students are active physically, and are encouraged to take part in sporting events. Staff and parents from other schools involved with District events have commented on the polite and well-mannered nature of our group.

Our students are enthusiastic about taking advantage of opportunities made available to them such as: Salmonid in the Classroom program, safe outdoors areas for environmental learning and fitness activities, recycling, an established music/choir program, and various clubs and teams. Our Student Leadership Team also takes on planning and hosting many student activities and celebrations.

Through collaboration with school partners, we selected a new school logo. The symbol of a wolf was chosen and with much community involvement we created an acronym related to the characteristics of the wolf becoming the WOLF PACK.

We are part of a positive, safe, caring, and orderly school learning community and are the A.W. Neill Wolf Pack:

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| Welcoming | Positive |
| Organized | Always Respectful |
| Loyal Learners | Cooperative |
| Focused | Kind, Caring and Safe |

Grades: K-7
Enrolment:

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