**Homelinks Kaslo Grade 8 Progress Report**

The following checklist of learning outcomes is used to describe student progress.

**Personal and Social Awareness and Responsibility (Core Competencies)**

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| Describe different aspects of their identity, have pride in who they are |  |  |  |
| Accept responsibility for their actions |  |  |  |
| Focus and regulate energy level appropriate to the activity |  |  |  |
| Recognize their value and advocate for their rights. |  |  |  |
| Take responsibility for their choices, actions, and achievements |  |  |  |
| Set priorities; implement, monitor, and adjust a plan; and assess the results |  |  |  |
| Take responsibility for their learning, seeking help as they need it. |  |  |  |
| Use strategies for dealing with emotional challenges, for finding peace in stressful times |  |  |  |
| Find the social support they need |  |  |  |
| Take purposeful action to support others and the environment |  |  |  |
| Identify how their actions and the actions of others affect their community and the natural environment and can work to make positive change |  |  |  |
| Respect differences, and demonstrate respectful and inclusive behaviour, including online |  |  |  |
| Advocate for others |  |  |  |
| Show awareness of how others may feel and take steps to help them feel included. |  |  |  |
| Maintain relationships with people from different generations |  |  |  |

**Language Arts**

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| Communicate by writing, using letters and words and applying basic conventions of Canadian spelling, grammar, and punctuation |  |  |  |
| Use writing and design processes to plan, develop, and create fiction and non-fiction texts for a variety of purposes and audiences |  |  |  |
| Assess and refine texts to improve their clarity, effectiveness, and impact according to purpose, audience, and message |  |  |  |
| Use paragraphs that are coherent and contain a topic sentence, supporting details, and clear transitions |  |  |  |
| Access information and ideas for diverse purposes and from a variety of sources and evaluate their relevance, accuracy, and reliability |  |  |  |
| Think critically, creatively, and reflectively to explore ideas within, between, and beyond texts |  |  |  |
| Recognize and identify the role of personal, social, and cultural contexts, values, and perspectives in texts |  |  |  |
| Recognize how language constructs personal, social, and cultural identity |  |  |  |
| Respond to text in personal, creative, and critical ways |  |  |  |
| Understand how literary elements, techniques, and devices enhance and shape meaning |  |  |  |
| Recognize and appreciate the role of story, narrative, and oral tradition in expressing First Peoples’ perspectives, values, beliefs, and points of view |  |  |  |
| **Content (Student knows…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** | |
| Literary elements: Characterization -character types (e.g., protagonist, antagonist, stereotype), story structures (e.g. linear, cyclical, iterative), setting |  |  |  | |
| Literary devices: Metaphor, sound devices (alliteration), imagery, hyperbole |  |  |  | |
| Elements of non-fiction texts: Facts and data in informational articles; chronology in memoirs, biographies, etc.; headings and subheadings in textbooks; analogies and real-life examples; use of third person; diagrams, maps, tables and charts, captions, labels, and web links |  |  |  | |
| Elements of visual/graphic texts: Layout, infographics, emoticons, icons, symbols, interactive visuals, hypertext, and colour, as well as illustration styles (e.g., realism, cartoon, sketch, outline) |  |  |  | |
| Language usage and context ~impact of context on choice of language usage |  |  |  | |
| Elements of style: Diction, figurative language, tone, inclusive language, and degree of formality |  |  |  | |
| Syntax and sentence fluency: Mix of simple, compound, and complex sentences, use of transitional words, awareness of run-on sentences and sentence fragments |  |  |  | |
| Demonstrate presentation techniques that: Reflect an appropriate choice of medium for the purpose and the audience and demonstrate thought and care in organization |  |  |  | |

**Math**

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | | **Term 2** | | **Term 3** | |
| Inductively and deductively reason and use logic to explore, make connections, predict, analyze, generalize, and make conclusions |  | |  | |  | |
| Develop and apply mental math strategies and estimate amounts and outcomes |  | |  | |  | |
| Implement multiple strategies to solve problems in both abstract and real-life situations using different cultural perspectives |  | |  | |  | |
| Develop, construct, and apply mathematical understanding through play, inquiry, and problem solving |  | |  | |  | |
| Engage in problem-solving experiences that are connected to place, story, and cultural practices relevant to the local community |  | |  | |  | |
| Apply cultural perspectives of First Peoples to the concepts of locating, measuring, and numbering |  | |  | |  | |
| **Content (Student knows…)** | | **Term 1** | | **Term 2** | | **Term 3** | |
| Logic and patterns to solve games and puzzles | |  | |  | |  | |
| Percents less than 1 and greater than 100 (decimal and fractional percents) | |  | |  | |  | |
| Perfect squares and cubes | |  | |  | |  | |
| Square roots and Pythagorean Theorem | |  | |  | |  | |
| Rates and proportional reasoning, ratio, proportions, and percent | |  | |  | |  | |
| Operations with fractions (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and order of operations) | |  | |  | |  | |
| Expressions and equations, writing and evaluating using substitution | |  | |  | |  | |
| Two-step equations with integer coefficients, constants, and solutions | |  | |  | |  | |
| Numerical proportional reasoning | |  | |  | |  | |
| Surface area and volume of regular solids (right prisms, triangular prism, and cylinder) | |  | |  | |  | |
| Construction, views, and nets of 3D objects | |  | |  | |  | |
| Theoretical probability with two independent events | |  | |  | |  | |
| Financial literacy - best buys (e.g., coupons, proportions, unit price, products, and services) | |  | |  | |  | |

**Social Studies** – 7th Century to 1750

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | | **Term 2** | | **Term 3** | |
| Use inquiry processes and skills to: ask questions; gather, interpret, and analyze ideas; and communicate findings and decisions |  | |  | |  | |
| Assess the significance of people, places, events, and developments at particular times and places (significance) |  | |  | |  | |
| Determine what is significant in an account, narrative, map, and text (significance) |  | |  | |  | |
| Assess the credibility of multiple sources and the adequacy of evidence used to justify conclusions (evidence) |  | |  | |  | |
| Characterize different time periods in history, including periods of progress and decline, and identify key turning points that mark periods of change (continuity and change) |  | |  | |  | |
| Determine what factors led to particular decisions, actions, and events, and assess their short-and long-term consequences (cause and consequence) |  | |  | |  | |
| Explain different perspectives on past or present people, places, issues, and events, and compare the values, worldviews, and beliefs of human cultures and societies in different times and places (perspective) |  | |  | |  | |
| Make ethical judgments about past events, decisions, and actions, and assess the limitations of drawing direct lessons from the past (ethical judgment) |  | |  | |  | |
| **Content (Student knows…)** | **Term 1** | | **Term 2** | | **Term 3** | |
| Social, political, and economic systems and structures, including those of at least one indigenous civilization | |  |  | |  | |
| Scientific and technological innovations | |  |  | |  | |
| Philosophical and cultural shifts | |  |  | |  | |
| Interactions and exchanges of resources, ideas, arts, and culture between and among different civilizations | |  |  | |  | |
| Exploration, expansion, and colonization | |  |  | |  | |
| Changes in population and living standards | |  |  | |  | |
| Social, political, and economic systems and structures, including those of at least one indigenous civilization | |  |  | |  | |
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**Science**

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | | **Term 2** | | **Term 3** | |
| Identify questions to answer or problems to solve through scientific inquiry |  | |  | |  | |
| Formulate alternative “If…then…” hypotheses based on their questions |  | |  | |  | |
| Make predictions about the findings of their inquiry |  | |  | |  | |
| Collaboratively plan a range of investigation types, including field work and experiments, to answer their questions or solve problems they have identified |  | |  | |  | |
| Observe, measure, and record data (qualitative and quantitative), using equipment, including digital technologies, with accuracy appropriate to the task |  | |  | |  | |
| Ensure that safety and ethical guidelines are followed in their investigations |  | |  | |  | |
| Construct and use a range of methods to represent patterns or relationships in data, including tables, graphs, key, scale models, and digital technologies as appropriate |  | |  | |  | |
| Evaluate the investigation |  | |  | |  | |
| Transfer and apply learning to new situations |  | |  | |  | |
| Communicate ideas, findings, explanations, processes, etc. |  | |  | |  | |
| Consider social, ethical, and environmental implications of the findings from their own and others’ investigations |  | |  | |  | |
| **Content (Student knows…)** | | **Term 1** | | **Term 2** | | **Term 3** | |
| Characteristics of life | |  | |  | |  | |
| Cell theory and types of cells | |  | |  | |  | |
| Photosynthesis and cellular respiration | |  | |  | |  | |
| The relationship of micro-organisms with living things: basic functions of the immune system, vaccination and antibiotics, impacts of epidemics and pandemics on human populations | |  | |  | |  | |
| Kinetic molecular theory | |  | |  | |  | |
| Atomic theory and models: protons, neutrons, and quarks; electrons and leptons | |  | |  | |  | |
| Types and effects of electromagnetic radiation | |  | |  | |  | |
| Light: properties, behaviours, ways of sensing | |  | |  | |  | |
| Plate tectonic movement | |  | |  | |  | |
| Major geological events of local significance | |  | |  | |  | |
| Layers in Earth | |  | |  | |  | |
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**Physical Health and Education**

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| Participate daily in variety of physical activities at moderate to vigorous intensity levels |  |  |  |
| Demonstrate proper technique for fundamental movement skills, including non-locomotor, locomotor, and manipulative skills |  |  |  |
| Develop and demonstrate safety, fair play, and leadership in physical activities |  |  |  |
| Identify ways to monitor and adjust physical exertion levels (e.g. checking pulse, etc.) |  |  |  |
| Identify/employ training principles to enhance personal fitness levels |  |  |  |
| Identify food choices to support active lifestyles and overall health |  |  |  |
| Explore and describe strategies for managing physical, emotional, and social changes during puberty and adolescence |  |  |  |
| Identify, apply, and reflect on strategies used to pursue personal healthy-living goals |  |  |  |
| Describe and apply strategies for developing and maintaining healthy relationships |  |  |  |
| Describe and assess strategies for managing problems related to mental well-being and substance use |  |  |  |
| **Content (Student knows…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| Effects of different types of physical activity on the body |  |  |  |
| Healthy sexual decision making |  |  |  |
| Marketing and advertising tactics aimed at children and youth, including those involving food and supplements |  |  |  |
| Potential short-term and long-term consequences of health decisions, including those involving nutrition, protection from sexually transmitted infections, and sleep routines |  |  |  |
| Sources of health information |  |  |  |
| Basic principles for responding to emergencies |  |  |  |
| Strategies to protect themselves and others from potential abuse, exploitation, and harm in a variety of settings |  |  |  |
| Consequences of bullying, stereotyping, and discrimination |  |  |  |
| Media and social influences related to psychoactive substance use and potentially addictive behaviours |  |  |  |
| Signs and symptoms of stress, anxiety, and depression |  |  |  |
| Influences of physical, emotional, and social changes on identities and relationships |  |  |  |

**Arts Education**

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|  | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| **Visual Arts:** |  |  |  |
| **Dance:** |  |  |  |
| **Drama:** |  |  |  |
| **Music:** |  |  |  |

**Career Education**

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| Recognize their personal preferences, skills, strengths, and abilities and connect them to possible career choices |  |  |  |
| Question self and others about how individual purposes and passions can support the needs of the local and global community when considering career choices |  |  |  |
| Recognize the impact of personal public identity in the world of work |  |  |  |
| Examine the importance of service learning and the responsibility of individuals to contribute to the community and the world |  |  |  |
| Demonstrate respect, collaboration, and inclusivity in working with others to solve problems |  |  |  |
| Demonstrate leadership skills through collaborative activities in the school and community |  |  |  |
| Recognize the influence of curriculum choices and co-curricular activities on career paths |  |  |  |
| Set and achieve realistic learning goals with perseverance and resilience |  |  |  |
| Apply a variety of research skills to expand their knowledge of diverse career possibilities and understand career clusters |  |  |  |
| Apply decision-making strategies to a life, work, or community problem and adjust the strategies to adapt to new situations |  |  |  |
| Explore volunteer and other new learning experiences that stimulate entrepreneurial and innovative thinking |  |  |  |
| **Content (Student knows…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| **Personal Development:** Goal-setting strategies, self-assessment for career research, project management, leadership, problem-solving and decision-making strategies |  |  |  |
| **Connections to Community:** Local and global needs and opportunities, cultural and social awareness, career value of volunteering, factors affecting types of jobs in the community |  |  |  |
| **Life and Career Plan:** Graduation requirements, influence of technology in learning and working, workplace safety (hazard evaluation and control, rights and responsibilities of the worker, emergency procedures) |  |  |  |

**Second Language**

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| **Competencies (Student is able to…)** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| Communicates personal information orally in brief and simple messages |  |  |  |
| Asks and responds to simple questions |  |  |  |
| Identifies and uses common expressions and greetings |  |  |  |
| Communicates likes, dislikes, wants, and needs |  |  |  |
| Expresses acquired information in oral and visual forms |  |  |  |

**Applied Design, Skills and Technologies**

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| **Student is able to engage in the steps of the design process:** | **Term 1** | **Term 2** | **Term 3** |
| Identify a design issue |  |  |  |
| Do research to understand the background of the design issue |  |  |  |
| Gather information about or from potential users |  |  |  |
| Identify key features or potential users and their requirements |  |  |  |
| Identify criteria for success and any constraints |  |  |  |
| Generate ideas and choose an idea to pursue |  |  |  |
| Create a plan and a test, gather feedback, and improve a prototype |  |  |  |
| Construct, share, and evaluate the final product |  |  |  |