



PARKDALE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2024



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Healing our community by giving students a strong background of academic and life experiences to create curiosity and understanding of what they can achieve.

Seven Grandfather Teachings:

Each month we focus on one of our grandfather teachings. It is reflected in our lessons and assemblies. Students can earn rewards by demonstrating acts of one of the teachings.

October: **Humility - Wolf**
November: **Respect - Buffalo**
January: **Wisdom - Beaver**
February: **Honesty - Sabe**
March: **Truth - Turtle**
April: **Courage - Bear**
May: **Love - Eagle**



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



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Dear Parkdale Parents and Guardians,

Quarter One is coming to a close on Nov 6th. I would like to take a moment to celebrate all of the achievements of our students so far this year. Our students have been working hard in their classes and we have seen tremendous growth. This success can be partially attributed to the ongoing support of our parents and guardians. Thank you for all you do.

As we move forward into Quarter Two, we look towards how we can continue to enable success for our students.

Attendance Matters

Consistent attendance is crucial for our students' academic success. Each day in the classroom is an opportunity for learning and social development. When students are present, they benefit from direct instruction, engage with their peers, and participate in valuable discussions. Please encourage your child to attend school regularly and to arrive on time.

Volunteer Opportunities

We are always looking for parents and guardians who wish to get involved! Your participation enriches our school community and enhances the learning environment for our students. Whether it's helping in the classroom, organizing events, or supporting extracurricular activities, your contributions make a significant impact. We have a Parkdale Parent Advisory meeting scheduled for Nov 6th at 6:30pm. All are welcome!

Homework

Our homework program is set to increase in Quarter 2. Our students have been working diligently to complete their work, thus getting essential practice in academics, independence and responsibility. This is an excellent way for our Parent and Guardians to stay connected with your child's learning by discussing what they are learning, celebrating their achievements, and providing encouragement as they tackle challenges. Homework will now be assigned on both Day 1's and Day 2's.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education.

Michael Ruby



SAFEARRIVAL INFORMATION



Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools

SafeArrival Information for Parents

At Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools, one of our greatest priorities is ensuring that all our students arrive safely at school each and every day.

To enhance our absence-checking procedure, we also have a more efficient student absence reporting system called SafeArrival. This system will reduce the time it takes to verify student attendance, make it easy for you to report your child's absence and easy for staff to respond to unexplained student absences.

With SafeArrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these 3 convenient methods:

1. Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at go.schoolmessenger.ca).

The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account (will need to be verified via your email). Then select Attendance then Report an Absence.

2. Use the SafeArrival website, go.schoolmessenger.ca. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.

3. Call the toll-free number 1-833-525-9071 to report an absence using the automated phone System.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time. In addition, we use the SchoolMessenger Communicate automated notification system to contact parents whose child is absent when the absence was not reported in advance.

The automated notification system will attempt to contact parents at multiple contact points until a reason is submitted for the absence.

If you report your child's absence in advance using the SafeArrival toll-free number, website or mobile app, you will NOT receive these notifications.

Please report absences in advance using SafeArrival instead of sending notes or calling/emailing the school.

Staff will use the SafeArrival notifications to let you know if your student is absent (when you haven't reported the absence in advance).

**Check this
out!**

Important things to note:

9:30am & 1:30pm-
SafeArrival
morning/afternoon
attendance codes
submitted by parents are
written into PowerSchool

9:40am & 1:40pm-
Attendance call is sent via
SchoolMessenger to parents,
informing of student(s)
absence

Parents/Guardians can also call the office at 780-352-4594 or text ONLY at 780-335-0851 or email pd@wrps11.ca to inform us of your student(s) absence!



BREAKFAST CLUB



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GOOD MORNING!

ROOM 104

8:20-8:35AM



GAMES!

YUMMY FOOD!

Warm breakfast will be graciously provided by Hope Mission and Parkdale School!

Or students can play outside or in the gym! Students can also read or work on homework in the library!



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PIZZA DAYS



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Delicious

Pizza Day

Starting back up on October 3rd!



Pizza Cards are now available online for purchase!

\$20.00 Pizza Card= 8 slices of pizza!
\$2.50 per slice

\$10.00 Pizza Card= 4 slices of pizza!
\$2.50 per slice

Pizza Day will now be held on Thursdays!

Pizza Days will now be held every Thursday, unless otherwise stated, starting October 3rd.

For the first quarter of the school year, (Sep 3- Nov 6), Parkdale will accept cash for the purchase of pizza.

Thereafter, **ONLY** pizza cards through online payment will be accepted.

Additional information to follow

Parkdale Pizza Card 

Name: _____

1 punch= 1 slice of pizza!





PARKDALE HOUSES



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Parkdale Houses!

Outdoor relay race, school-wide bingo, and much more for houses to earn points !

Upcoming

House Activities:

- November 7th during periods 8 & 9
- December 5th during periods 8 & 9
- January 10th during periods 8 & 9



FAMILY & INDIGENOUS SUPPORT LIAISONS



Family Services

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Indigenous Services

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FIELD TRIPS



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PARKDALE FIELD TRIPS

We offer fun and exciting field trips throughout the year!

Permission forms are to be completed ONLINE through your PowerSchool Parent Portal



If you wish to volunteer, please call the office!

Upcoming

Exciting field trips in the works!





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SPORTS



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Follow
pdwolfpacksports to
stay up to date for all
Parkdale School related
sports!

**Physical Education:
Mr. Scott White**

Upcoming

Volleyball Season: September 17th- November 5th, 2024

Jr. Girls Volleyball Practices: Mon & Wed 3:30-5:00pm @ Queen Elizabeth School

Jr. Boy Volleyball Practices: Thursday 3:46-5:15pm @ Queen Elizabeth School

Please see the calendar for upcoming home/away volleyball games on our Parkdale website!










NOVEMBER CALENDAR

*SUBJECT TO CHANGE *

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31 	1	2
3	4  Scholastics Book Fair	5	6 Parent Teacher Interviews 4-7pm	7 	8	9
10	11 Remembrance Day- NO SCHOOL 	12	13	14	15	16
						
17	18	19	20	21 	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 	29	30



= School Closure- NO SCHOOL



= PLC Day- NO SCHOOL



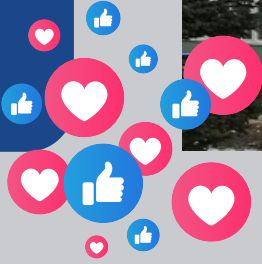
= Kindergarten Days



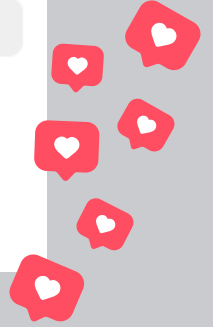
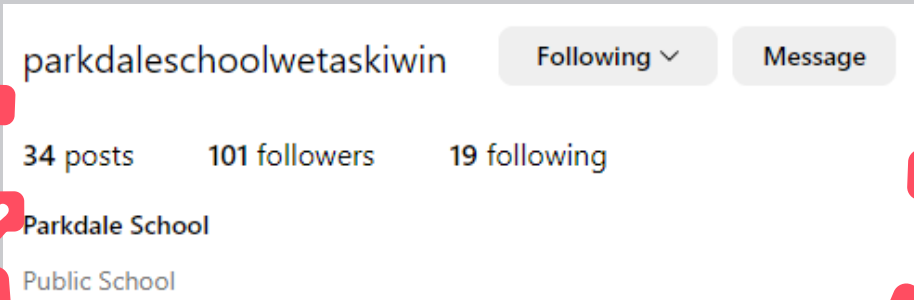
= Pizza Thursdays



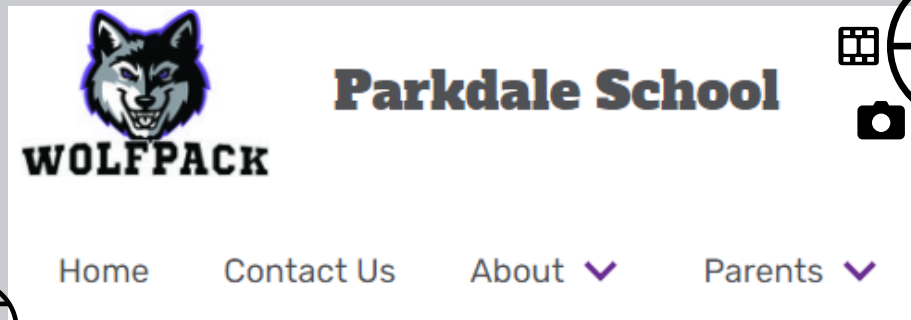
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