WESTVIEW SCOOP

NOVEMBER 2024

Reporting an Absence?

Please email

westview@psd.ca or call 780-963-2203 and press 1 anytime and leave a message. Please be sure to include your child's complete name and grade and details of the absence!

Westview School Administrators

Mrs. T. Neuman – Principal

Mrs. D. Villeneuve – Assistant Principal

Mrs. C. Harrison – Assistant Principal

Principal's Message

The past month at Westview has been a full one, filled with wonderful opportunities for students inside and outside the classroom! Our Junior High volleyball teams have been active with league games and tournaments, showcasing their growth and competitive spirit throughout the season. Halloween brought extra excitement across the school, with classes engaging in learning activities and fun. The Junior High Halloween dance was a hit, too—special thanks to Mr. Sloan for serving as the DJ!

Our recent parent-teacher interviews for Grades 1-9 were a success, providing valuable time to collaborate and share learning goals with parents. Thank you for supporting the school Book Fair! If you missed the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher, please feel free to reach out to arrange a time. Teachers will also continue to update PowerSchool with grades and assignments, so parents can stay informed on their child's progress.

In honor of Remembrance Day, we will hold a school-wide assembly on Thursday, November 7th. Students, staff, and community members will gather to recognize the importance of this day with poems, wreath-laying, and a choir performance. Poppies will be provided to students on November 7th, and donations are welcome.

We also want to highlight the importance of consistent attendance. Regular school attendance plays a crucial role in academic success and personal growth. We encourage parents to prioritize sending their children to school each day unless they are unwell. Together, we can support our students' learning and success.

A reminder that November 8th is a PD Day and Fall Break will take place from November 11 to November 15. We look forward to welcoming students back on November 18th. This break is a great time to rest, recharge, and focus on well-being. On behalf of the Westview School staff, I wish everyone a safe and relaxing Fall Break!

Warm regards,

Tanya Neuman Westview School Principal



Westview School

SCHOOL COUNCIL & FUNDRAISING SOCIETY



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westview.scchair@partner.psd.ca

November 1, 2024

DEAR PARENTS/GUARDIANS:

In preparation for our Remembrance Day assembly in November, we want to provide your child(ren) an opportunity to place a poppy as part of the program. Poppies will be distributed to the students on the morning of November 7. **Donations** will be accepted at that time, or before. This year, we will be having our **"Remembrance Day"** ceremony at **10:30 a.m. Thursday, November 7th.**

We plan to have an assembly for all students to help them understand the meaning of Remembrance Day through their participation in a ceremony of poems, readings and music. This is to remind them that war takes its toll on both sides and that one side's sense of pain and loss is no less than another's. We will also be focusing on our responsibility to be involved in keeping the peace in our communities.

Many of you have had friends or relatives who **SERVED** their country in wartime. We would like to remember these people by having your child pin up a poppy. At the time that your child is doing this, we will have a slide show presentation where we will have the details as well as a picture if possible of the veteran.

******IF YOU HAVE FILLED THIS FORM OUT IN PREVIOUS YEARS, I HAVE ALL YOUR INFORMATION AND YOU DO NOT NEED TO FILL IN THIS FORM******

Please go to the following link and fill out the Google form **<u>REMEMBRANCE DAY</u>**

If you have a picture of the individual you wish to honor, please send it to christine.tarapaski@psd.ca

Parents and community members are very welcome to attend this ceremony.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Tanya Neuman - Westview School Principal

FORM to be completed no later than November 6, 2024

Attendance – Every Minute Counts!

Lost Minutes = Lost Learning

It's important to **arrive and be ready to learn before the school bell rings**. Showing up 15 minutes late **each day** is the same as missing two weeks of school in one year!



October 1, 2024

To our generous on-line donators,

For the 46th year, the Stony Plain Kinsmen are gearing up for the Christmas Hampers service project serving Stony Plain & West Parkland residents. Our goal is to help make Christmas brighter for local families struggling on a limited income. Last year, with your help, we assisted 710 families in our area and supported over 1900 residents!





Bank will administer the distribution of the food portion of the Christmas Hampers in the form of an 'upsized' December hamper for all clients. The Kinsmen will not collect nor distribute non-perishable food but will support the Parkland Food Bank with gift cards for food to contribute to the upsized December hamper. Last year, we provided over \$100,000 in grocery gift cards and meat certificates to hamper recipients!

The gift portion of the Christmas Hamper program will be run completely separate from the food. The Kinsmen will collect gifts and gift cards to all children 17 and under so we encourage gift cards and monetary donations. Last year, we provided gifts to 929 children in our area!

We rely on thoughtful caring people like you to donate to this important local cause. We are a 100% volunteer-based non-profit group and can only assist those in need in our community with your help.

YOU CAN HELP us reach our goals and support your community at Christmas by DONATING:

- Monetary donations or local grocery store gift cards which go toward a family's 'upsized' December food hamper. Denominations of \$25 work best.
- New, unwrapped gifts for children 9 and under. Local gift cards are ideal for ages 10-17.

On-line donations are accepted year-round. Gift donation pickup day is Monday, December 16

HOW TO DONATE:

- Donate at over 70 advertised collection locations and the schools in Stony Plain and area
- Online donations (Donorbox) gratefully accepted at www.<u>www.stonyplainkinsmen.ca</u>
- E-transfer accepted at <u>spkhampers@gmail.com</u>
- Cheques may be mailed to Box 2231, Stony Plain, AB T7Z1X7 or can be picked up by one of our volunteers. Please make cheques payable to *Stony Plain Kinsmen Christmas Hampers*.

If you know anyone in need of assistance, please encourage them to reach out to the Parkland Foodbank and apply for a Christmas Hamper. For more information, visit <u>stonyplainkinsmen.ca</u> or call the Kinsmen phone at (780) 915-6934.

THANK YOU for your incredible past support of local families at Christmas. Best wishes for a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season!

School Council and Society Meeting.

The next Westview Society meeting is Nov 4 at 1:30pm

The next Council meeting will be on Nov 19 at 6:30pm

All Westview Parents are welcome!!!!

Student Drop Off and Pick Up

Supervision begins at 8:15am. Dismissal is at 3:05pm. See the video link for dropoff and pickup details. https://youtu.be/9AEzbk nFLZc

Linter is Coming

Dressing for the weather:

With the cooler weather approaching, we will inevitably have some snow days to come. A reminder that you will still need contact the school to inform us if your child is not going to attend that day. You can leave a message at 780-963-2203 and press 1 or you can email westview@psd.ca.

With the cold weather we ask the parents ensure their children are dressed appropriately for the outdoors. Please send a warm coat, hats, mittens, weather appropriate footwear such as boots and warm socks. We recommend two pairs of mittens and extra socks be kept in backpacks <u>daily</u>. This will keep your kiddo warm and also assist us in the office with less phone calls for clothing changes/additional clothing. Students also go outside for DPA and phys ed so proper gear is essential.

RETAKE DAY

November 5th is Picture Retake Day! Smile Big!!!!



WESTVIEW WEAR

If you are interested in order new Westview wear for your child or for yourself, please use the following link!!!

https://westviewunited.entripyshops.com/



November 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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				Day 1
				Choir Practice 12:10pm
4	5	6	7	8
Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
Fundraising Society	Picture Re-take	Gr 9 Take Our Kids to Work		PD Day – NO SCHOOL FOR
Meeting 1:30pm	Day	Day	Remembrance Day Assembly	STUDENTS!
	Elder Linda Visit			
	Chior Practice			
	12:10 pm	Fit for Life Field Trip	Term 1 CTF Last Day	
	SR Girls VB Final			
11	12	13	14	15
FALL BREAK	FALL BREAK	FALL BREAK	FALL BREAK	FALL BREAK
40	40			
18	19	20	21	22
Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Bullying Awareness Week	Bullying Awareness Week	Bullying Awareness Week	Bullying Awareness Week	Bullying Awareness Week
		Bullying Awareness week	Bullying Awareness week	
Term 2 CTF First Day	Choir Practice 12:10 pm		Choir Practice 12:10 pm	Early Ed & Kindergarten PD
Term 2 CTF First Day	School Council			Day
	Meeting 6:30 pm			
25	26	27	28	29
Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Grade 4 – Play Parkland	Gr 4 Play Parkland	Gr 4 Play Parkland	Gr 4 Play Parkland	STEPS PD Day
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			Gr 5 Skating	Choir Practice 12:10p