



The
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Newsletter

Pembina North Community School

October 2021

[Goal Setting Interviews - October 6 & 7](#)

Every fall our teachers conduct Goal-Setting Interviews with parents. These interviews help teachers and students move forward in the up-coming year with goals that are appropriate and reachable.

This year teachers will be conducting these interviews with parents by Telephone.

- All interviews are approximately 10 minutes long
- Elementary interviews are with the homeroom teacher
- Junior High interviews include all four core-class teachers (Math, LA, Science and Social)

Teachers will be available on the following dates:

- October 6 from 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm
- October 7 from 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm

INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOOKING AN INTERVIEW

- Go to <https://pnsc.schoolappointments.com>
- Register for an account by clicking the "**REGISTER**" menu tab and filling in the on-line form. Choose a user id and password for yourself and then click "**Register Now**".
- Add your children into the system by clicking the "**Add a Student**" button. Click "**Insert New**" button to add more children.
- Click the "**date**" icon beside each child's name to schedule appointments.
- Select the staff you wish to book appointments with. Use the "**Ctrl**" or "**Command**" key to select multiple staff to view at the same time.
- Then click the "**View Calendars**" button.
- Click on available time slots to book your appointments to make your bookings
- Appointment bookings can be made until October 5th at 11:00 pm.

Please call the school office (780-954-3790) if you require assistance booking an interview. For those who choose not to take part in Goal-Setting Interviews at this time, please know that you are always welcome to contact your child's teacher(s) at any time throughout the year with any questions or concerns that you may have.





[October Toonie Drive for the Food Bank](#)



For the past 4 years we have held a food drive for the Westlock and District Food Bank in the month of October. We have raised over 6,000 pounds of food and over \$1000 during that time! We have been so proud of our community for supporting our food drive and the Food Bank.

This year, rather than collecting food, we will once again be holding a Toonie Drive throughout the month of October in support of the local Food Bank. Last year we raised \$1111.00, and we are going to challenge our students to meet or beat that amount! Together we can help our local Food Bank continue to serve our community!

[School Spirit Day - October 14](#)

Let's show our School Spirit on October 14. Put on your Panther gear and get out those black and yellow clothes! Let's fill our school with Panther Pride!



[School Pictures - October 26](#)

Smart Photography will be here on Tuesday, October 26th to take individual student pictures. They will be using the same order system as last year. Rather than receiving a Proof Package and order envelope, students will receive a bookmark with all the information needed to view their proofs on-line. If parents choose to order pictures, they will use the information on their child's bookmark and make their purchase through the Smart Photography On-Line Order Site. Order forms and payments will no longer be collected at the school, and orders will be shipped directly to the purchaser..

If you have a pre-schooler and would like to have their picture taken, please have them at school by 8:30 am on this day as their pictures will be taken first. Please remember to follow the protocols for entry into our school building.



[Halloween Activities - October 28](#)

This year's Halloween Activities will take place in individual classrooms (rather than our usual big Halloween Assembly). Watch for more information to come from your classroom teachers about what will be happening. When choosing Halloween costumes, please remember that replica weapons are not permitted at school (this includes replica guns, knives, axes, etc.).





Junior High Volleyball/Gr 5-6 Soccer

At this point, we are still waiting for our School Outbreak Status to end, and to receive clearance from Alberta Health Services to resume our extra-curricular school sports activities. Coaches will keep students and parents updated as soon as they know more information. We have not included any of the previously scheduled sports activities on the October calendar in this newsletter, as we do not know at this time which activities may still be happening. Once our Outbreak Status clears, there may be other district schools still experiencing outbreaks, so schedules may need to be revamped. Coaches/teachers will do their best to keep players (and parents) up-to-date on games and schedules.

[School Messenger - Text Messaging Service](#)

Pembina Hills School Division uses a text messaging service called School Messenger. The purpose of School Messenger is for the school division to have a means to contact parents and staff quickly and efficiently, especially regarding emergent situations or important updates.

Parents can sign up to School Messenger simply by texting “Y” or “Yes” to 978338.

While the school division strongly encourages parents to participate, the text messaging service is entirely optional. Parents can Opt-Out at any time by replying “STOP” to any message.





October 2021

Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<i>Oct 1</i> PD Day (No School @ PNCS)	<i>Oct 2</i>
<i>Oct 3</i>	<i>Oct 4</i> Food Bank Toonie Drive Begins	<i>Oct 5</i> Kindergarten Day	<i>Oct 6</i> Goal Setting Interviews	<i>Oct 7</i> Kindergarten Day Goal Setting Interviews	<i>Oct 8</i> Alternate Day (No School @ PNCS)	<i>Oct 9</i>
<i>Oct 10</i>	<i>Oct 11</i> Thanksgiving Day (No School)	<i>Oct 12</i> Kindergarten Day	<i>Oct 13</i>	<i>Oct 14</i> Kindergarten Day School Spirit Day	<i>Oct 15</i> Kindergarten Day	<i>Oct 16</i>
<i>Oct 17</i>	<i>Oct 18</i>	<i>Oct 19</i> Kindergarten Day	<i>Oct 20</i>	<i>Oct 21</i> Kindergarten Day	<i>Oct 22</i> Alternate Operational Day (No School @ PNCS)	<i>Oct 23</i>
<i>Oct 24</i>	<i>Oct 25</i>	<i>Oct 26</i> Kindergarten Day Picture Day	<i>Oct 27</i>	<i>Oct 28</i> Kindergarten Day Classroom Halloween Activities Food Bank Toonie Drive Ends	<i>Oct 29</i> Alternate Day (No School @ PNCS)	<i>Oct 30</i>

[PLEASE SEE THE WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR ACTIVITIES HAPPENING IN 2021-22](#)



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