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# Paw Print Newsletter

# February 2023

# PNCS Kindness Poster Contest

The Virtue of Kindness is our special focus during February!

To enter the PNCS Kindness Poster Contest submit a poster that shows the theme "This is Kindness!"

One winning poster will be chosen from Gr K-2, Gr 3-5 and Gr 6-9.

Winners will receive a Snake Cake to share with their class!



Poster paper is available in the office.

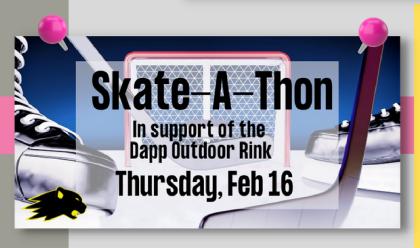
Posters need to be submitted by Feb 21.

What is a Snake Cake?

It's a silly cake, shaped like a snake, decorated with gummy treats. It's not very nutritious but definitely delicious! Tastes best when shared with friends.

Drop off your bottles at the school during the month of February and support our annual Grade 4 Trip to Drumheller (May 16-18).





We love having a rink available to our students all winter, so our students are giving back to the community by raising funds to support the rink! Thanks in advance to all those who generously donate towards this each year. See www.pncs.ca for more details.

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### Feb 1

Bottle Drive Begins
Jr High B-Ball Games @ St. Mary

#### Feb 3

Ski Day for Gr 4-9 Kindergarten Friday

#### Feb 7

Ice Cream Sale Jersey Day

#### Feb8

Hotdog & Pizza Orders Due Gr 9 Immunizations CTF Agriculture Fieldtrip

#### Feb 9 & 10

Teacher's Convention (No School)

#### Feb 13

School Council Meeting 4 pm Fundraising Assoc Meeting 5 pm

#### Feb 14

Hot Dog Lunch (Paid Lunch)
Classroom Valentine's Activities

#### Feb 15

Deadline To Enter Science Expo Gr 6 B-Ball Games @ Neerlandia JH B-Ball Games @ BCHS

#### Feb 16

Skate-A-Thon

#### Feb 17

Panther Day (No School)

#### Feb 20

Family Day (No School)

#### **Feb 21**

Pizza Lunch (Paid Lunch) CTF Art & Baking-Pastry Showcase

Poster Contest Deadline

#### Feb 22

Anti-Bullying Pink Shirt Day

#### **Feb 23**

JH B-Ball Divisional Tournament

a Spirit Centre

#### Feb 24

Kindergarten Friday PNCS Science Expo

#### Feb 28

Free Lunch for All Students





Note: We have a short turn-around time for lunch orders this month.

The order due date for Hot Dogs and Pizza is

Wednesday, February 8th.

Order through your Powerschool Parent Account.

If you need a paper order form, please request one from your child's homeroom teacher.





# Powerschool Parent Account

All Pembina North families need to have a Powerschool Parent Account. This account will provide you access to many different things that need to be completed throughout the year.

#### **Payments**

Your Powerschool Parent Account can be used to pay for lunch sales, student fees, sports fees, and field trip fees.

#### **Consent Forms**

All Consent Forms needed for student field trips, special classroom events, sports teams, etc will be made available for parents to complete on-line using the Powerschool Parent Account.

#### **Checking Attendance**

Parents of children in Gr K-9 can use their Powerschool Parent Account to check their child's daily attendance.

#### **Checking Marks**

Parents of students in Gr 7-9 can use their Powerschool Parent Account to check their child's marks throughout the school year.

#### **Need Assistance?**

If you need help to create your Powerschool Parent Account, or help to recall your username or password, please call the school office and we can provide assistance. 780-954-3790 February 2023 Page 3

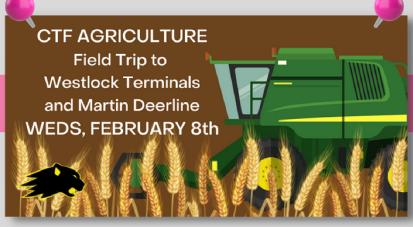
Our buses depart at 8:45 am and return by the end of the school day. If parents are driving their child to the ski hill, please be sure to let their homeroom teacher know.





Wear your favourite jersey to school on February 7th!! Hockey? Football? Soccer? Panthers gear? Show us your colours!

Parents, please complete the field trip consent form through your Powerschool Parent Account.





#### **Volunteer Registration**

Pembina Hills School Division requires all parents who help in classrooms, go on fieldtrips, help with hot lunches, etc to complete the Volunteer Registration process.

#### Step 1

Submit to the school office a completed Volunteer Registration form. A printable version of the form is available on the School Division webpage, or you can request one from the school office.

#### Step 2

Submit to the school office a current Criminal Record Check. These are available through the Westlock RCMP.

#### Step 3

Submit to the school office a Child Intervention Check. This is available through Alberta Children's Services. To request the online form email cs.ircnorth@gov.ab.ca.

#### Step 4

Once all 3 items are received by the school office the Principal will review the Volunteer Registration. If all the School Division requirements are met, the registration will be approved.

#### **Approved**

The approved Volunteer Registration will be in effect for the duration of time that the volunteer has children at our school. It does not need to be done each year. If, however, there is a change to the Criminal Record Check or Child Intervention Check, updated copies must be provided to the school and the registration will be reevaluated for approval by the Principal.



Parents are invited to attend the CTF
Showcase on Feb 21st.
Our Mixed Media Art class and Baking & Pastry class will be showcasing some of the great projects they have completed this year.

Students are encouraged to wear a Pink Shirt on Wednesday, Feb 22 as we join together to emphasize the importance of kindness to others.

At a special assembly in the afternoon we will announce the winners of the Kindness Poster Contest and Mr. Ivey has agreed to host another round of Family Feud "Kindness Edition"!





We are so excited to be able to hold our Science Expo again this year! Mr. McCann is our lead teacher for the event. He will be meeting with students who are interested and will hand out information sheets with everything they need to know about creating a project. Our Science Expo is on February 24th and students can do projects in a wide variety of formats. Projects set-up will be from 8:00 am-12:00 noon on the 24th; project viewing for parents and other visitors will be from 1:00-2:30 pm.

The Westlock & District Science Fair is on March 8th. Students who wish to compete in that event must complete projects to certain specifications. Mr. McCann has handouts that explain those requirements.



Have you received your survey link yet? Pembina Hills School Division wants to hear from parents! Watch your email for a survey link. Your voice matters!



All parents are welcome to attend our School Council and Fundraising Association Meetings on Monday, February 13th. Both of these groups provide great opportunities for parent involvement in our school. Please plan to attend!



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## Calendar of Events

| Sunday | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday                                  |
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| Jan 29 | Jan 30<br>PD Day<br>(No School for<br>Students)  | Jan 31<br>Kindergarten Day<br>Free Spaghetti Lunch<br>for All Students  | Feb 1<br>Bottle Drive for<br>Drumheller Trip<br>Begins<br>(runs Feb 1-28)   | Feb 2<br>Kindergarten Day  | Feb 3<br>Kindergarten Day<br>Tawatinaw Ski Day<br>for Gr 4-9                                  | Feb 4                                     |
|        |  |   | Jr High B-Ball<br>Games @ St Mary<br>School   |  |   |   |
| Feb 5  | Feb 6  | Feb 7<br>Kindergarten Day<br>Ice Cream Sale<br>Jersey Day   | Feb 8 Hot Dog & Pizza Orders Due Gr 9 Immunizations in the morning CTF Agriculture Field Trip in the afternoon        | Feb 9 Teacher's Convention (No School)   | Feb 10<br>Teacher's<br>Convention<br>(No School)  | Feb 11                                    |
| Feb 12 | Feb 13<br>School Council<br>Meeting 4 pm<br>Fundraising<br>Association<br>Meeting 5 pm | Feb 14 Kindergarten Day Hot Dog Day (Paid Lunch) Classroom Valentine's Day Activities   | Feb 15<br>Sign-Up Deadline<br>for Science Expo<br>Gr 6 B-Ball Games<br>@ Neerlandia<br>Jr High B-Ball<br>Games @ BCHS | Feb 16 Kindergarten Day Skate-A-Thon Day (Students will take part during class PE time; Donations should be turned into the office by this date) | Feb 17<br>Panther Day<br>(No School for<br>Students)  | Feb 18                                    |
| Feb 19 | Feb 20<br>Family Day<br>(No School)  | Feb 21 Kindergarten Day Kindness Posters Due Pizza Day (Paid Lunch) CTF Mixed Media Art and Baking & Pastry Showcase 2:30-3:30 pm | Feb 22 Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day with Afternoon Assembly Kindness Poster Contest Winners Will Be Announced         | Feb 23 Kindergarten Day Jr High Divisional B-Ball Tournament @ Spirit Centre   | Feb 24<br>Kindergarten Day<br>PNCS Science<br>Expo<br>(Set-up 8am-12pm)<br>(Viewing 1-2:30pm) | Feb 25                                    |
| Feb 26 | Feb 27   | Feb 28<br>Kindergarten Day<br>Free Chicken Nugget<br>Lunch for All Students   | Mar 1   | Mar 2<br>Kindergarten Day<br>All Jr Highs Curling in<br>Westlock in afternoon  | Mar 3 PD Day (No School for Students)  Jr High B-Ball Zones (Location TBD)                    | Mar 4 Jr High B-Ball Zones (Location TBD) |

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