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Paw Print Newsletter

March 2024



We finished off February in style by celebrating Kindness!
We dressed in Pink, held our PNCS version of Family Feud - Kindness Edition, announced the winners of our Kindness Poster Contest, and finished off with Kindness Cookies for everyone!
We had 110 posters entered in our contest! WoW!
Congratulations to our Kindness Poster Contest winners:
Rose for the K-2 category, Blair for the Gr 3-5 category, and Jolyn for the Gr 6-9 category



















Upcoming Events:

Mar 1

PD Day (No School for Students)

Mar 1 & 2

JH1J B-Ball Zones in Hinton

Mar 4

JH Semester #4 Options Begin

Mar 5

Ice Cream Sale

Gr 2 Swimming Lessons

Mar 7

Gr 7-9 Curling in Westlock

(afternoon)

Gr 2 Swimming Lessons

Mar 11

JH Afterschool Badminton Begins

Mar 12

Free Hotdog Lunch

Mar 14

Jr High Curling Teams Practice in Westlock (afternoon))

Mar 15

Home Alone Course

Teacher-Directed Day (No School for Students)

Mar 18

Wear Green for St. Pat's Day! Cookie Decorating with School Council

Mar 19

Jr High Curling Teams @

Westlock Bonspiel

Mar 20

Gr 9's @ RF Staples for CTS Tours (Full Dau)

Mar 21

K-6 Progress Reports

7-9 Powerschool Updates

Mar 22

Panther Day (No School)

Mar 27-28

Spring Break (No School)

Mar 29

Good Friday (No School)

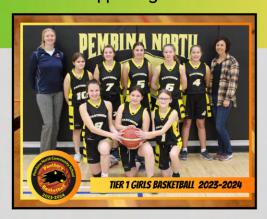
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Easter Monday (No School)

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Remember to cheer on our Junior High Basketball teams! They are at their 1J Zones Tournament in Hinton on March 1 & 2. Thank you to all of our players for their fantastic play and sportsmanship this season! Thank you also to our parents, coaches and bus drivers for their faithfulness in supporting our teams!







March 5th is another Ice Cream Sale. The cost is \$2.00 per bar. Profits from sales go towards our Elementary Sports Program.



We are having a free hotdog lunch on March 12 paid for by our Nutrition Funding. Please text Andrea Gibson at 780-206-5581 if you are able to help with the hotdog lunch.

Curling Consent Forms need to be completed through Powerschool. Students who join the Curling Teams will be assessed a \$5.00 fee which will go towards bussing and ice fees.

Badminton Consent Forms and Fees will be loaded into Powerschool once we know who will be playing. Mr. Ivey will be sending home a letter outlining the season and the different event categories players can qualify for. Fees are \$15 for players in one event and \$30 for players in two events.

Junior High Curling

All Gr 7-9 Students - March 7 (afternoon)

JH Curling Teams - March 14 (afternoon practice) JH Curling Teams - March 19 (All Day Bonspiel)

Please complete Consent Forms in Powerschool





Volunteer Registration

Pembina Hills School Division requires all school volunteers 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, however you must have a letter from the school saying why you need a CRC.

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.

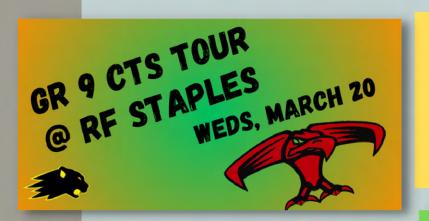


On March 15th FCSS will be holding their Home Alone Course at our school. The Home Alone Program is designed to provide children Gr 4 and older with skills and knowledge to be safe and responsible when home alone for short periods of time. Students in Gr 4 and up are eligible to attend (limit of 12 participants). There is a \$10 fee for the course (payable to Town of Westlock, Westlock & District FCSS) and a registration form must be completed. Registration deadline is March 11. Participants should bring a water bottle and snack. If you have questions about the program please contact FCSS at 780-349-5900.





We aren't in school on St. Patrick's Day but we'll still be celebrating all things green and shamrocky on Monday, March 18. Students can wear their greenest of green outfits and our School Council will be bringing in shamrock cookies for all of the students to decorate!



On Weds, March 20 our Grade 9 students will be spending the full day at RF Staples learning about all the different Career and Technology Studies (CTS) options that will be available for them in high school. They will have a chance to see Media Arts, Cosmo, Band, Sr High Foods, Automotives and Construction. The will leave for RF at 9:30 am and return at approx 2:30 pm. Students can bring lunch or they can purchase food at the RF cafeteria.

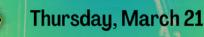
Watch for Progress Reports to come home with students in Grades K-6 on Thursday, March 21. For students in Grades 7-9, Powerschool will be updated with teacher comments.







K-6 Progress Reports and 7-9 Powerschool Updates









Parent-Teacher Interviews April 4th & April 8th



Appointments can be booked at www.pncs.schoolappointments.com or by calling the school office 780-954-3790

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be on April 4 & April 8 from 4:00-6:30 pm.
Appointments can be booked through www.pncs.schoolappointments.com.
We encourage parents to book early so they can get the time slots they need.

Note for Parents of Gr 9 Students: Please be sure to attend an interview so you can see the course recommendations our teachers have for your child's Gr 10 year.

RF Staples will be holding their Gr 10 Open House/Orientation on Wednesday, April 10.

Registration is open for PN-Prep (Preschool) for 2024-25. Registrations can be made online at pembinahills.ca/EL-apply. If you have questions about the Early Learning program, please contact Kelly Ferguson (Early Learning Principal) at 780-674-8565 or email el.main@pembinahills.ca.







Registration for Kindergarten for 2024-25 will be open on Monday, March 4. Complete registration information will be available on our webpage starting March 4. www.pncs.ca.

Also, mark Friday, April 26th on your calendar and plan to attend our PNCS Kindergarten Open house. While the children explore the Kindergarten room and take part in some special activities, parents will be able to find out more about the program and what to expect during their child's Kindergarten year.

Upcoming April/May Dates to Note:

- April 10 RF Staples Gr 10 Open House/Orientation
 - April 11 Dragonfly Centre Presentations (more info to follow)
- April 16 PNCS Science Expo
- April 25 Class Photos
 - April 26 Kindergarten Open House
- May 4 Highway Clean-Up (Gr 4, 7, 8 & 9)
 - May 14-16 Grade 4 Drumheller Trip
- May 27-30 Scholastic Book Fair
 - May 30 PNCS Open House
 - *Check our website calendar for more upcoming dates/events*







The Bingo at Fawcett Hall on Feb 29th was a Huge Success!

Thank you so much to PACO and our parent & student volunteers

who did so much work to make it a great event!



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Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Mar 24	Mar 25 Spring Break (No School)	Mar 26 Spring Break (No School)	Mar 27 Spring Break (No School)	Mar 28 Spring Break (No School)	Mar 29 Good Friday (No School)	Mar 30
Mar 31	Apr 1 Easter Monday (No School)	Apr 2 Kindergarten Day	Apr 3	Apr 4 Kindergarten Day Parent-Teacher Interviews (4-6:30 pm)	Apr 5 Kindergarten Day	Apr 6

Note: April 5 is a Kindergarten Day. This notation was missed on our yearly calendar.

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