

### **NOVEMBER 2024**

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#### **Principal's Message**

Thank you for such an amazing set of parent-teacher conferences in October. If you need to reschedule your time, please reach out to chat with your child's teacher. We want to encourage each and every parent and guardian this year to attend *Parent Teacher Conferences*. You are the expert in your child's strengths and stretches, and we value your partnership, which sets the stage for a successful school year! Together, we can make this year an outstanding one for your child(ren).

As the school principal, I am grateful to visit classrooms at Fairview every day, and I wanted to share that I SEE GREATNESS in EACH AND EVERY CHILD at our school. Classrooms are filled with students engaged in activities across Literacy (Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking, and Representing) and Numeracy - building upon number sense and mental math strategies. In our school district, we are asked to infuse Financial Literacy into several curriculum areas so that a) our students recognize Canadian currency and currency values, and b) grade-level teachers implement the familiarity with money to practice the math concepts of skip counting; sorting rules; patterns; addition and subtraction; multiplication and division; fraction and equality. FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING & LIFE LIVE HERE!

A very exciting area of learning and innovation that we continue to access is the Google Chrome platform, and we utilize Chromebooks with every student at Fairview. Each class at Fairview has access to technology, and students will continue to learn how to communicate, participate, create, and complete assignments 'online.' Your child's teacher will be using technology frequently so that your child's confidence continues to grow! We know that teaching digital citizenship is an important part of this learning for your child. Digital Citizenship includes creating an awareness of safety on the internet and learning how to balance time on devices. As we say, "Balance is Best."

Another area of opportunity that we take pride in offering our young Firebirds is leadership! For those new to our school, every student has a leadership role within their classroom. This can be a responsibility such as a line leader, line caboose, light manager, paper manager, Assembly Hosts, AMA School Safety Patrol Team, Firebird CARE Crew, etc. These leadership roles result in BIG confidence and the acquisition of new skills. These new skills will prepare our young learners in areas of cooperation & collaboration when working with others at school and out in the workforce in the future. Our goal is to grant our students a leadership opportunity to learn new skills and practice these before they leave our school. We practice perseverance, responsibility, kindness & helpfulness to others, and generosity.

We are very excited to work with our young leaders at Fairview School! Thank you for entrusting their educational welfare to our staff and being a partner in learning at Fairview School. It is truly an honour to work and learn with your child every day!

As we enter November, we look forward to sharing your child's progress with you - in a written report card format. Once again, we will host Parent Teacher Conferences on December 12, 2024, and we hope to have 100% of our parents attend. This is a great opportunity to learn about your child's strengths and 'next steps' in learning this term. If you would like to chat earlier/or between conferences, please call your child's teacher to schedule a time. Similarly, if you have any questions or concerns, please know my door is always open. Feel free to call the school at 403-343-8780. I look forward to talking with you!

In Partnership, Teresa Tataryn, Principal

### HALLOWEEN CANDY

Please **limit** the amount of candy your child brings to school to 2 pieces per day. Good nutrition supports brain development and learning. We are learning about nutritious choices, beginning with our 'brain food' that helps us stay focused, learn and feel well! We will work as a team to keep our school grounds clear of wrappers and trash. Thank you.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next meeting is **Wednesday**, **November 20**, **2024 @ 3:15 pm** This meeting will be in person and/or virtual. A link will be sent to all family email addresses online. Our Teacher Feature this month is Miss Genova and Mrs. Lychuk, who will share the wonderful things happening in Grade 1! Hope to see you there!

# LOOKING FOR AN ACTIVITY FOR YOUR CHILD

Every sport you can think of under one roof <u>Central Sport</u> Need help with the cost <u>Canadian Tire Jumpstart Program</u>



## DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!

Please ensure that your children are dressed for the weather. Students go outside up to -20 degrees Celsius. We expect ALL our students to have a toque, mitts/gloves, and snow boots. Snow pants are highly encouraged and must be worn if sledding. We love our Alberta weather!





# Mark Your Calendar

- Daylight Savings time ends. Set clocks back 1 hour
- Recognition Assembly for October @ 1:30 pm
- Remembrance Day Assembly @ 10:45 am
- Staff Learning Day (No School)
- Fall Break (No School)
- Observing Remembrance Day (No School)
- Picture Retakes
- FV Swearing In Ceremony
- School Council Meeting @ 3:15 pm 4:15 pm
- Recognition Day Assembly for November @ 9:30 am
- Report Cards Issued
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Staff Learning Day (No School)
- FV Family Winter Celebration
- Red & Green / Crazy Christmas Sweater Day
- Pajama & Movie Morning; Early Dismissal 1:52 pm
- Christmas Break

Sunday, November 3 Monday, November 4 Wednesday, November 6 Thursday, November 7 Friday, November 8 Monday, November 11 Wednesday, November 13 Monday, November 18 Wednesday, November 20 Monday, December 2 Friday, December 6 Thursday, December 12 Friday, December 13 Tuesday, December 17 Thursday, December 19 Friday, December 20 December 21 - January 5



#### PLEASE JOIN US

November 18th@ 8:45 a.m. Fairvew School Gymnasium

Students are encouraged to 'Dress In Their Best' (Cultural outfits are encouraged) for this special occasion



IN HONOR OF BULLY PREVENTION WEEK, WE TAKE AN OATH FOR A SAFE AND CARING SCHOOL WHERE ALL BELONG

#### Special Guests to Include:

Community Policing Action Team, Officiated by Lawyer: Mr. Ziakris, RDPSD Senior Administration, Riverside Meadows Community Association Representative, School Council Members, Staff and Parents





#### Dental Outreach of Red Deer (DOoR)

Free urgent dental treatment is available for children 5-18 years of age who are having difficulty accessing dental care. Services are provided at the Red Deer Johnstone Crossing Community Health Centre

For more information, please call 403-356-6302 and ask for the DOoR program.