MEADOWBROOK SCHOOL



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Good afternoon, Parents/Guardians,

We hope everyone had a meaningful and fantastic Thanksgiving this past weekend and we hope you had time to spend with your families. We have quite a few fall festivities and news items to share with you:

Bulldog Athletics:

Junior A Volleyball: We'd like to congratulate our Bulldog Junior A volleyball teams for their achievements at the Turkey Classic pre-season tournament this past Thursday. Our girls lost their bronze medal match playing a stellar 4th place and our boys came in 2nd place at the tournament. We are very proud of our teams for their achievements which we hope will transfer into a successful season as our first tournaments begin today. The girls and boys and teams are set to play on October 14th, October 21st and October 28th.

Grade 6 volleyball: will be starting up the week of October 25th and more tryout information will be shared with the grade 6 PE classes. Practice times and dates are already posted on our school calendar on the Meadowbrook page with the divisional tournament being hosted on Friday November 4th.

Cross country: Our cross-country athletes are also participating in this Friday's cross-country meet at Windsong Heights today and we wish them good luck!

A reminder that all athletes and spectators are expected to adhere to the Rocky View Code of Conduct when attending any sporting events.

School Entry/Exit Safety:

A reminder for all of our students that when coming to school, they are to be using the crosswalk to ensure their safety when crossing the street in front of the school. Students who are using bikes, scooters, or skateboards are to be walking these in high pedestrian traffic areas on the sidewalks and especially in the bus loading zones. These are high risk areas for collisions, and we want to keep all student safe!

We also would like to remind parents/guardians that drop off and pick up are not to take place in the bus loading zones or the staff parking lot. There is signage indicating where the designated bus loading zones are.

Safety is the priority for our students, and we thank you for your support in having these conversations at home.

<u>Communication:</u> A reminder that all our important dates and events are updated regularly on our school calendar on our main website at https://meadowbrook.rockyview.ab.ca/calendar. This can be added to your personal calendar if you click the + sign in the bottom right-hand corner of the page and events will be added as they are added by the office!

We also have social media pages through Twitter and Facebook. To follow our Twitter page, you can look up "@meadowbk_rvs" and to follow our Facebook page, you can look up "Meadowbrook School".

Student Leadership Update: With Halloween on the horizon, our Leadership 8 students have been working very hard to promote school spirit as demonstrated by our successful Cozy and Comfy Day last Thursday October 6th. On October 24-28th, our students will be invited to participate in a spirit theme week where students are encouraged to participate where they'd like:

Monday October 24th - Movie Character Monday: Dress as your favourite movie character OR actor/actress this day! **Tuesday October 25**th- Identical Day: A Twist on your Typical Twin Day- find a pair or group and dress identical. Riding solo? Give your best identical impersonation outfit of a staff member!

Wednesday October 26th - Western Day: Denim, cowboy hats, flannel, boots, it all goes on this Alberta-style day. Not a Westerner? Start with just wearing a pair of jeans!

Ms. D Weaver Principal Mrs. D Stapor Assistant Principal **Thursday October 27**th - Tacky-Tourist Thursday: Beach vacation, backpackers, or the typical sight-seeing. Bring it all as if you were on vacation! (Hint- bucket hats are a great start!)

Friday October 28th - Bulldog Swag Day: Show your support of our Jr. A teams going into their final tournament of the season and wear your Bulldog Swag or School Colours! Prize to be rewarded to the class with the highest % of participants on this day!

Halloween Dance & Festivities:

On Monday October 31st, students will be engaging in Halloween festivities along with a daytime "sock hop" dance. There will be a costume contest during the dance and students are encouraged to dress up for categories that will be shared by our Leadership 8 students. A reminder that student costumes are to be school appropriate, no inflatables, no gore, no masks, or weapons.

Parent/Teacher Conferences November 2nd and 3rd from 4:00-7:00 PM

Parent Teacher interviews will be held in person at the school and bookings will be available beginning Monday October 17th. Appointments will be held with both of your child's core subject teachers at the same time as you will see when booking an interview time with your child's core subject teachers. Please use the link below to book your appointment. https://meadowbrook.schoolsoft.com/login.jsf?logout=true

Remembrance Day Preparations:

Remembrance Day ceremony preparations are underway, and we are hoping to make our Remembrance Day Ceremony (on November 10th) more meaningful in an attempt to connect our students with their pasts. Students are asked to send in digital copies of any relatives that have served in any military capacity for our impactful slideshow for the ceremony. We require the minimum information for these photos: Name of the individual, in which capacity they served and an interesting detail as well as the student(s) whose relative it is. If you contributed a photo from last year, we ask that you confirm that we can reuse the information for our slideshow. Please send these digital photos to dstapor@rvschools.ab.ca by Friday November 4th.

Healthy Hunger

You will need to log in to your Healthy Hunger account and your child's new homeroom teacher to be able to order if you already have an existing account. If you need a new account, you can register at healthyhunger.ca.

Be sure to save the following dates in your calendars!

Junior A Volleyball Tournament: Friday October 14 Junior A Volleyball Tournament: Friday October 21

Picture Re-take Day: Monday October 24

Junior A Volleyball Tournament: Friday October 28

Halloween Festivities: Monday October 31

Parent Teacher Interviews: Tuesday November 2nd and Wednesday November 3rd at 4pm-7pm

Annual Immunizations for Grade 6: Tuesday November 8 Remembrance Day: Friday November 11 – no school School-Based PL Day: Monday November 14 – no school

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