

MEADOWBROOK SCHOOL

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Good afternoon, Parents/Guardians,

Lunch Expectations:

Students have two options for lunch, they may go home or stay at school. Students are not to be wandering the community or hanging out in the park across the street. If they are seen by staff, they will be asked to return to school property where they can be supervised. Students are required to be back on time when returning from lunch. See the link to our bell schedule <https://meadowbrook.rockyview.ab.ca/publications/newsletters/our-school/bell-schedule-1>. Please discuss these expectations with your student.

Terry Fox:

This past Friday, we were happy to host our annual Terry Fox Run/Walk and our students were able to enjoy the sunshine at East Lake. Our Leadership 8 Bulldog team demonstrated tremendous leadership as they helped organize and fundraise money for cancer research. Our Bulldogs surpassed our \$1500 fundraising goal with a total of \$1942!!! We are proud of our Bulldogs for giving this event the utmost respect and creating positive change within their community. We'd also like to thank our parent volunteers for taking part in the event and we hope to invite more volunteers into our building for school events in the future!

Orange Shirt Day: As part of our efforts for Truth and Reconciliation, our students are asked to wear orange shirts on Thursday September 29th to commemorate and honour those affected by the residential schools. Classes will be participating in activities throughout the week in preparation for our National Truth and Reconciliation Day on Friday September 30th for students. This is a reminder that there is no school on Friday September 30th.

Communication: 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".

Divisional Assessments as communicated by Sharon Cronin, Director of Instructional Leadership:

As part of RVS' plan to ensure that all of our students can read, write and do math at appropriate levels, we are beginning a new assessment cycle at all schools across RVS. Depending on your child's grade, they will be taking part in brief standardized assessments that give the teacher important information about the child's basic skills that can be used to guide instruction or to provide additional supports if needed. There is no preparation needed of your child for these assessments.

Your child's teachers can inform you at student-led conferences about their progress and how we can work together to support their skill development. This information will not be shared as part of Real Time Reporting in PowerSchool nor is it used to determine their performance level in their grade. The purpose is to see where they are at in their basic skills and guide us on a path of improvement.

If you have specific questions about your child's assessments or learning in general, please reach out to your child's teacher.

Ms. D Weaver
Principal

Mrs. D Stapor
Assistant Principal

Athletics

Our Bulldog volleyball teams have been invited to W.H. Croxford's Turkey Classic on Wednesday October 6th with our league tournaments beginning after the long weekend. Our cross-country team is also going to be attending their first running event on October 14th at Windsong.

Information about practices and future tournaments are available on the school calendar on the Meadowbrook page.

Curriculum Newsletters: As per our communication of learning for all our students, please see the attached grade level curriculum newsletters to see what Meadowbrook students are learning in September and October. Grade level curriculum newsletters will be sent out every 2 months throughout the year to communicate what curriculum outcomes students are learning, what outcomes are being assessed and what is coming up next for student learning.

Grade 6 Provincial Achievement Exams: This year, our grade 6 students will be participating in this year's Provincial Achievement Tests (PATs) in May and June 2023. Each subject area of English Languages Arts, Social Studies, Science, and Math are administered to students in grade 6 for three main purposes to determine if students are learning what they are expected to learn, to report to Albertans how well students have achieved provincial standards at given points in their schooling and to assist schools, authorities, and the province in monitoring and improving student learning. In preparation for the PATs, we are enclosing a *Quick Fact Guide for Parents/Guardians* and the testing schedule of PATs for reference. Teachers will be communicating how the tests will be administered as we approach the dates and how students can prepare for these assessments in the upcoming months. These assessments will be used for data analysis to inform our teaching and learning practices in the future, and we thank you for your support in giving our school reflective opportunities to plan for the success of your learner in our school community!

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!

Orange Shirt Day and Truth and Reconciliation Day at Meadowbrook: Thursday September 29

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation: September 30 – no school for students

Professional Learning Day: Friday October 7th – no school for students

Thanksgiving: Monday October 10th – no school for students

School council meeting: Tuesday October 11th at 6:30pm

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

Sincerely,

Denise Weaver and Diana Stapor

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Principal

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Assistant Principal