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November

Important Dates

November

- 3-4 - Sr Boys Volleyball @ St.J's in Vermilion
- 5- Daylight Savings Ends (Set Clocks Ahead)
- 5 - Myrnam Craft Show at the school
- 6 - Gr 10 at Blue Quills
- 8 - Remembrance Day Ceremony
- 9 - PLC Day (No School)
- 10 - No School
- 13 - No School
- 17 - NMS Report cards go home
- 17-18—Sr Volleyball Zones Girls in Two Hills and Boys in Vermilion

22 - Awards night @ 7:00pm

23 - MOHC Report cards ready for pick up

December

- 8 - PLC Day (No School)
- 19 - Christmas concert @ 7:00 p.m.
- 20 - German Christmas concert @ 7:00 p.m
- December 22 - January 8 - Christmas Break

Stay up to date
with information:

Website:

www.newmyrnamschool.ca

 Facebook:

New Myrnam School SPERD

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[newmyrnam](https://www.instagram.com/newmyrnam)





Principal's Message

Greetings, families! In the month of October, some of our junior/senior high students were interviewed by Hoopla Media. Hoopla came out to record interviews and B-roll footage for a short feature as a part of our

Emerald Award win in June. The students were recorded doing some work on our new solar arrays that Team Net Zero worked so hard to fund last year. You will notice the two very large solar arrays in the CTEC parking lot. These are the culmination of hours of research, problem solving, networking and grant writing by our students. Together, they are a 17.44 kW grid tied solar array which will provide electricity to the CTEC building. This is in conjunction with the 5.52 kW grid tied solar array already mounted on the CTEC roof owned by St. Paul Education. What Team Net Zero is hoping to accomplish with the ground mounted system vs. a roof mounted system, is that the panels will be accessible in the to remove snow in order to get more production out of them in the winter time. The arrays can also be tilted to follow the angle of the sun as it changes through the seasons. Peak production occurs when the sunlight is perpendicular to the panels. This has been such a labour of love for our Team Net Zero and we're so immensely proud of the work they've done.

October 23 was our first school council meeting of the school year. I encourage all parents to come to the school council meetings. It's a great opportunity to advise the school on matters important to you and your family, provide feedback on fundraisers, and hear about the amazing things happening at the school. If your kids are like mine, all I hear when they get home is that their day was "fine". Coming to the school council meetings gives you a look into what we are working on at the school.

I took a crew of highly motivated students to the Post Secondary Night on October 24, 2023 at Regional High School in St. Paul. It was a great opportunity for students to speak to representatives from several post secondary institutions in one night. They found out that the University of Alberta has chocolate milk on tap (big selling feature) and that if you play your cards right, you came away from the night with a handful of cookies, pens, and hair scrunchies.



NEW MYRNAM SCHOOL



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October 23, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians:

PRINCIPAL: MRS. DANIELLE ERIKSEN
ASSIST. PRINCIPALS: MR. ROBERT TYMOFICHUK,
MRS. ALYSSA KALYNCHUK

On **Sunday, November 5, 2023**, the Myrnam Agricultural Society will host their Myrnam Market from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This event is hosted in the school gymnasium. Admission to the public is free and there are 45+ vendors selling a variety of products.

The school is providing a concession for vendors and guests of the event. The Foods 20/30 class will be busy in October preparing food to sell in the concession. It serves as a great fundraiser for the school. Fundraising dollars raised will go towards field trip costs for students from kindergarten to grade 12. We will need the following number of volunteers for the shifts indicated. Please contact myself or _____ to sign up for a shift. Students are encouraged to sign up to work shifts as well as adults. If students are inexperienced with working booth shifts, parents should sign up to work with them.

- 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - 4 volunteers
- 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - 4 volunteers
- 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - 4 volunteers
- 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - 4 volunteers for the clean up crew

We also want to have our annual bake sale. Bake sale items can be dropped off at the school Sunday after 9:00 a.m. or Friday any time from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All students from kindergarten to grade 12 are invited to provide baked goods packaged and ready to sell. The volunteers on the first concession shift will price all baking items.

The library will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair in conjunction with this event. A percentage of sales from books comes back to the school allowing Mrs. Evans to purchase books for the school library.

Thank you in advance for supporting the Scholastic Book Fair, bake sale, and concession fundraisers! Please contact the office or your child's homeroom teacher if you have any questions.

Yours truly,


Danielle Eriksen

Concession Menu

Chicken Quesadilla (Sour Cream and Salsa) \$3.00

Grilled Cheese (with Vegetables or Pickle) \$2.50

Crackers, Cheese, Sausage and Pickle Plate \$3.00

Pizza Pop \$1.00

Taco in a Bag \$6.00

Mr. Noodle (Chicken/Beef/Spicy)\$2.00

Hot and Spicy Noodle Bowl \$3.00

Boiled Egg \$0.50

Water \$2.00

Juice Box \$1.00

Gatorade/Powerade \$2.50

Iced Tea \$2.50

Sparkling Ice Drink \$2.50

Italian Ice \$2.00

Veggie Straws \$1.00

Sunchips \$1.00

White Cheddar Popcorn \$2.00

Assorted Trail Mix \$2.00

Almonds \$2.00

Dried Whole Apricots \$2.00

Breadsticks & Nutella \$2.00

Ritz \$1.00

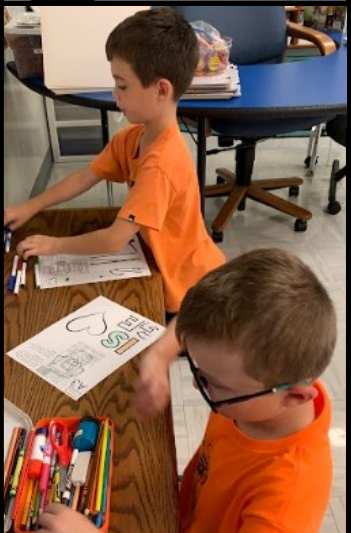
Made Good Cookies \$0.75

Twizzlers \$3.00

Corn Nuts \$2.00

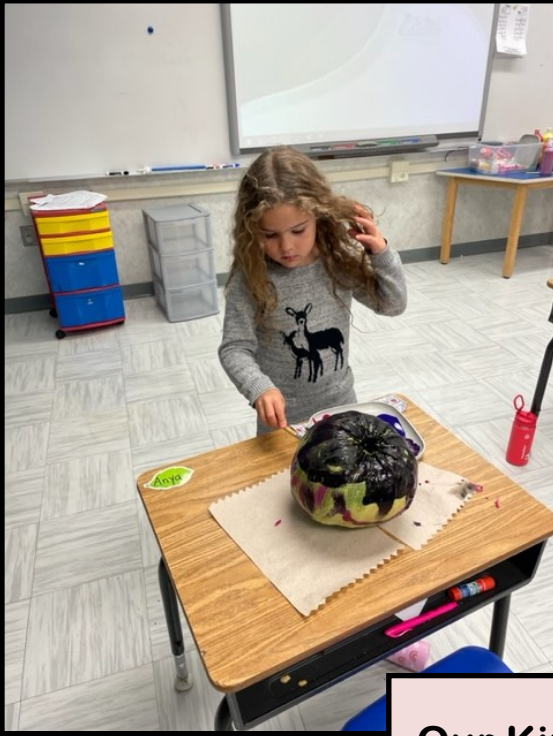
Gum \$1.00

Orange Shirt Day





Kindergarten - Pumpkin Painting Fun



Our Kindergarten class would like to thank Joyce Stratey for her generous donation of pumpkins. They had so much fun painting them!



Fire Safety Week



Practice your home fire drill!



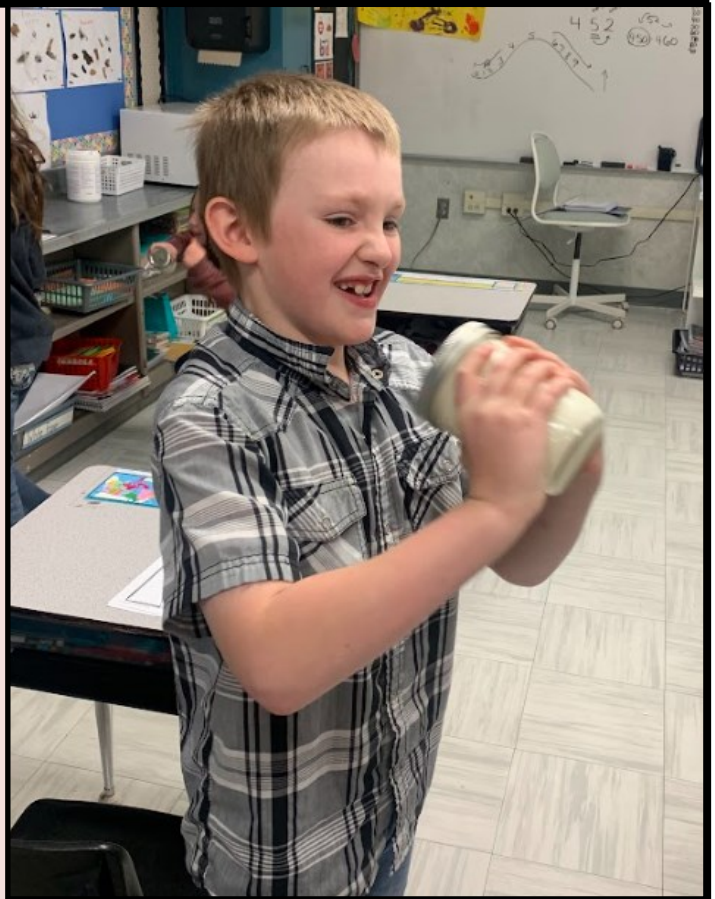
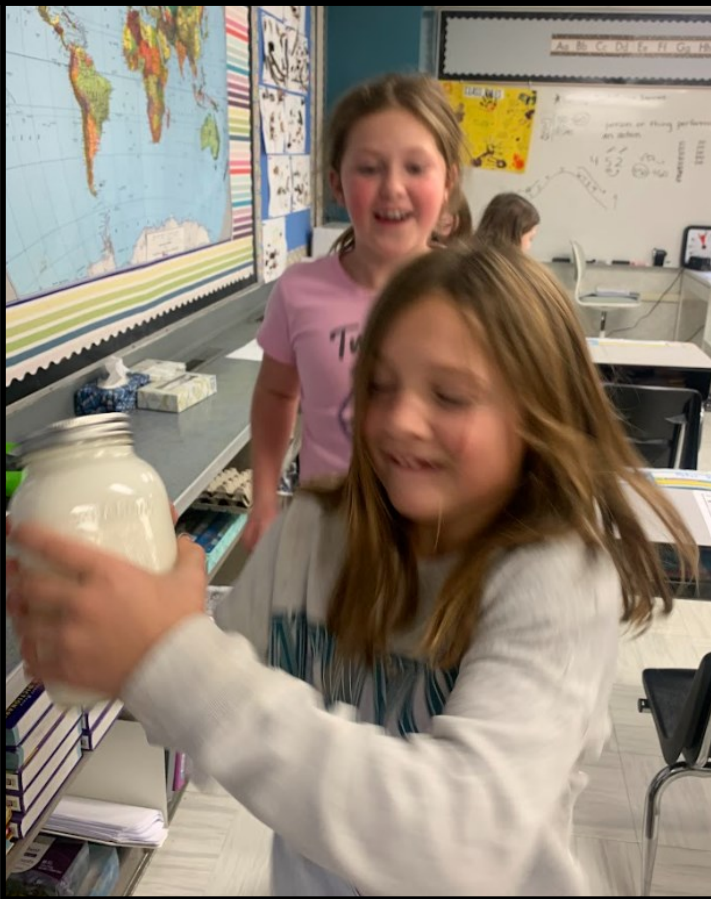
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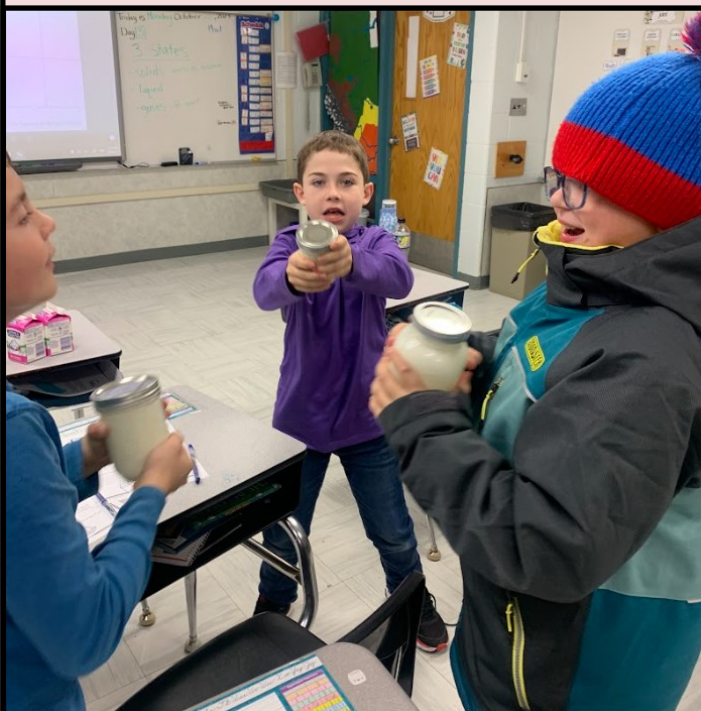
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Grade 3/4 Learning and Fun!



Shaking cream into Butter!



Swimming Lessons 3-6



Senior High Volleyball

The season is well underway and the Sr teams are really busy right now with league games and tournaments.

The Sr Boys team consists of:

Reece Winterbottom, Brodie Pashulka, Trystn Sakowsky, Sam Crundwell, Tony Neufeld, Lukas Myshaniuk, Gabe Goddard, Marshall Willier

The Sr Girls are:

Olivia Saruk, Cassie O'Reilly, Sydney Chanasyk, Caitlin Clyke, Justina Peters, Ava Machney, Nelly Boese, RaeBecca Pashulka, Hellen Briggs

The schedule for the rest of the year:

October 27-28th - Sr Boys and Girls

Wow Pow Tournament at Lac La Biche

November 1st - Sr Boys and Girls

Home games vs Two Hills and TTES (Frog Lake)

November 2nd - Sr Boys

League games at Ashmont

November 3rd and 4th - Sr Boys

St. Jerome's Tournament

November 7th - Sr Boys and Girls

SPAA League Championships at St. Paul

November 17th and 18th - Sr Boys and Girls

Zone Championships- Boys at St. Jerome's,
Girls at Two Hills



Junior High Volleyball



Jr Boys

The 2023 Junior Boys volleyball season will be one to remember because of their team building and team growth! Athletes started the season with a new learning opportunity with a H.I.T.T. volleyball clinic coming to Myrnam and Two Hills. Their skills were put to the test at the St. Jerome's Tournament in Vermillion and the Vegreville Pumpkin Smash. Players gained confidence in their abilities, building our team spirit and made memories throughout the season. Our Baron's strong dedication, relentless effort and leadership on and off the court made for a great year! The athletes' optimism, caring and passion through the season built a sense of belonging within the team. This season would not have been possible without the support of parents, the community, and school. Thank you to everyone who put in the time, resources and support to make the Barons season a success!



Jr Boys and Girls

The 2023 Junior Volleyball season looked a little differently this year for our teams, but they still had a season to remember! Athletes spent time developing their skills and played hard. Great job Barons!



Cross Country Running 4-6

A very successful cross country season has come to an end for the year. It started with interested Gr. 4-6 students practicing twice/week after school in September. Students worked hard to achieve 2km personal bests throughout the season and competed in two races. The first event took place in Vermilion Provincial Park on September 20th and the second occurred at Riverdale Mini-Park, near Wainwright, on September 26th.

Competition personal best times:

Gr. 4 Boys- Colton Sheppard (8:12)

Gr. 6 Girls- Ella Eriksen (12:57)

Gr. 5 Girls- Maggie Boese (11:27)

Scarlett Shukys (12:59)

Gr. 5 Boys- John Balash-Dack (16:40)

Gr. 6 Boys- Briggs Matthews (8:08)

Chett Matthews (11:00)

Kyler Patterson (9:26)

Luke Osinchuk (14:21)

Eli Sheppard (7:30)

Carson Phillips (9:43)

Coach- Jodine Benning



Cross Country Junior/Senior High

Our large Jr. High team was able to compete on a beautiful day at Ross Lake. We sent 20 students to compete. For the first time in 20 years we had enough male athletes running to qualify for the team title. Out of the 11 teams that were at the event, the Baron Boys finished 3rd overall, behind only the 2 St. Paul schools!!! We had many great individual performances and many personal bests.

On October 11th, our Sr High team went to the Zone Championships at Muriel Lake. It was an amazingly sunny day. The team all ran with determination and guts and the results were excellent. As a school we finished in 4th place amongst all the 1A schools (100 or less students in high school).

C Boys - 2000m Team score: 3rd	C Girls - 2000m Team score: 3rd	B Boys- 2000m Team score: 4th	B Girls - 2000m	A Boys - 3000m Team score: 3rd
Easton Sheppard (1st): 8:14 New Baron record	Alex Misik (4th): 10:12 New Baron record	Oliver Machney (13th): 9:38	Mackenzie Norman (24th): 17:23	Reece Winterbottom (2nd): 13:14
Hudson Machney (3rd): 8:49	Larysa Myshaniuk (6th): 10:54	Treston Campbell (14th): 9:43		Timmy Boese (15th): 17:17
Tony Boese (18th): 10:27	Ella Axley (15th): 11:52	Eddie Dack (30th): 13:46		Brodie Pashulka (17th): 17:20
Mason Phillips (24th): 11:22	Arianna Cribb- Martinez (26th) 15:00	Brody Poste (32nd): 14:56		Luke Wagner (18th): 17:29
	Natalie Gray (27th): 15:27			Dean Briggs (25th): 20:04
Gr 6 Boys - 2000m				
Eli Sheppard (1st)				

Jr Girls- 4000m	Int, Boys- 5000m
Caitlin Clyde (4th): 18:34 New Baron record	Lukas Myshaniuk (9th): 20:37 New Baron record
Ava Machney (15th): 23:04	
Justina Peters (17th): 24:39	



All four high school athletes qualified for the ASAA Provincial Championships on October 21 in Trochu. It was a chilly day and a really tough course. The kids ran well against the best competition in the Province of Alberta. (Most importantly, they all got new Provincial hoodies to show off.)

Results

Junior Girls (4 km)

Caitlin Clyke - 21:40

Ava Machney - 28:31

Justina Peters - 28:31

Intermediate Boys (5 km)

Lukas Myshaniuk - 22:30



Junior High Cross Country





Announcements



Soup Fundraiser orders will be available for pick up on
November 14th



Now that the winter weather is upon us, it's time to remember to dress warmly for recess and for the ride into school on the bus. Dress in a jacket, snow pants, a toque, gloves or mittens, and boots to stay nice and warm.

Career Counsellor Dates

November - 6, 21, 27



Links Page

Watch here for great links to our projects!

New Myrnam School Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/newmyrnamschoolsperd?fref=nf>

Power School

<https://powerschool.sperd.ca/public/home.html>

Our Project Videos/Articles

<https://www.newmyrnamschool.ca/project-s-videos>

School Cash Online

<https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com/>





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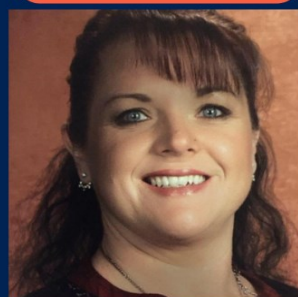
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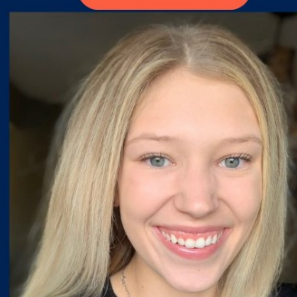
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HOW SICK IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?



SEND TO SCHOOL

- A runny nose or just a little cough but no other symptoms.
- Sore throat but no other symptoms.
- No fever in the past 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine.
- No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.



KEEP AT HOME

- Fever higher than 100.4 degrees F (38 degrees C).
- Sore throat, with other symptoms such as a persistent cough.
- Vomiting or diarrhea in the past 24 hours.
- Eyes are pink and crusty.
- Has been exposed to an illness where isolation is recommended.



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SchoolMessenger Mass Notifications System Information for Parents

What is SchoolMessenger?

SchoolMessenger is a mass notification system used to deliver information to families. These mass notifications are referred to as 'Broadcasts' due to SchoolMessenger's capability to simultaneously send messages to a vast number of destinations. Available broadcast destinations include phone, email, and SMS text.

Message recipients' contact data for parents comes from the PowerSchool Student Information System (SIS) database. This data is updated every evening so that any changes to phone numbers, emails and contact preferences will be current on every broadcast.

During phase one of implementation, the Division will begin using SchoolMessenger to communicate information to parents and guardians about safety alerts and school closures. Schools may also use this tool to share newsletters and information about special events and activities. Phase two, which includes activating the attendance reporting feature 'Safe Arrival', is expected to begin in early 2024.

Phone Messages



- Phone calls will be reserved for emergencies such as safety alerts or early dismissal due to inclement weather.
- Phone calls will be sent as an automated message (computerized or human voice) and will come from the school phone number.
- In addition to a phone call, text and email messages will also be sent in emergency situations.

Email Messages



- School newsletters and information about fundraising, hot lunch programs and other school activities will be shared via email.

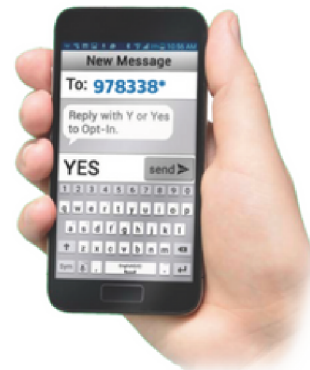
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- Existing school-to-home communication tools currently used by classroom teachers (e.g. Seesaw, ClassDojo) may still be utilized.
- Schools will have flexibility in how they use SchoolMessenger. Stay tuned to your schools website and social media to learn more about how this new tool will be used at your child's school.
- All messages can also be viewed on the SchoolMessenger app. Parents are not required to download the app at this time, however, the Division will be asking all families to download the app when we move forward with the SchoolMessenger attendance reporting feature 'Safe Arrival'.
- Parents have the option to request that additional contacts, such as a child care provider, receive text and email messages from their child's school. Please call the school to make this request or if you have any questions about SchoolMessenger.

Text Messages



- In addition to being used for emergencies, your school may also use text messages to communicate important information regarding sports and other after-school activities, field trip delays, etc.
- Under federal law originally designed to protect consumers from telemarketers, we have to get your permission to send messages to a mobile phone by SMS text. It is also just a good idea so that we're sure that message is going to the right phone number for the right person. Therefore, to receive texts you will need to opt-in.
- On **October 18, 2023** an opt-in invitation text to participate in this free service* will be sent to mobile phone numbers of all primary contacts uploaded from our Student Information System (SIS). Recipients have to reply 'Y' or 'Yes' to the invitation text message to 'opt-in'.



- If you did not receive the invitation text message or want to ensure you are registered, you can simply send a text message as follows:

To Opt-In: Text 'Y' or 'Yes' to our short code number (978338)

**Standard Message and Data rates apply*

- You can also opt out of these messages any time by simply replying to one of our messages with '**Stop**'.



BUS STATUS

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St. Paul Education is pleased to offer a new bus notification system commencing in the 2023-24 school year!

Download the Bus Status 4 App and choose your preferences to stay updated.



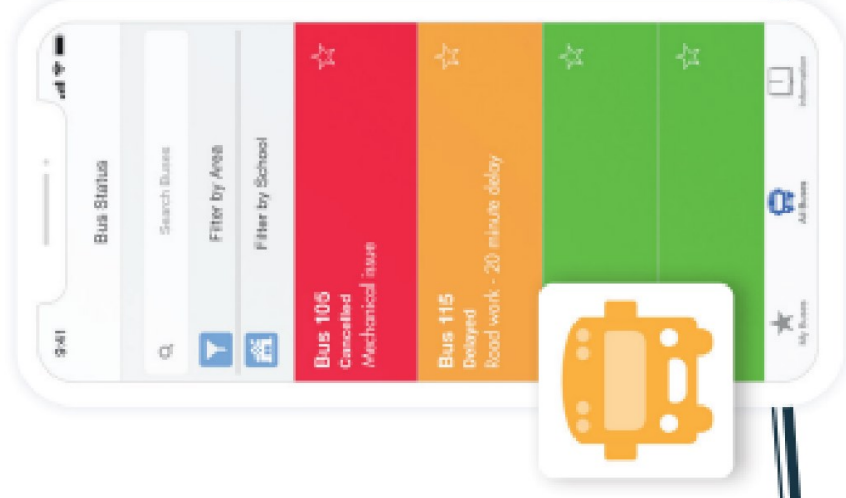
ios (Apple)



Android

Access the full instructional document at <https://bit.ly/47Aakkg>.

Please note that the Bus Status App is replacing the Alertus App used in the past.



St. Paul Education Learning Calendar 2023-2024

August 2023							September 2023							October 2023							November 2023						
M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F		
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21	22	23	24	25			11	12	13	14	15			16	17	18	19	20			20	21	22	23	24		
28	29	30	31				18	19	20	21	22			23	24	25	26	27			27	28	29	30			
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December 2023							January 2024							February 2024							March 2024						
M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F		
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11	12	13	14	15			8	9	10	11	12			12	13	14	15	16			11	12	13	14	15		
18	19	20	21	22			15	16	17	18	19			19	20	21	22	23			18	19	20	21	22		
25	26	27	28	29			22	23	24	25	26			26	27	28	29				25	26	27	28	29		

April 2024							May 2024							June 2024						
M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F		
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15	16	17	18	19			20	21	22	23	24			17	18	19	20	21		
22	23	24	25	26			27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28		

LEGEND						
Instructional Day						
PLC Day						
Schools Closed						
Early Dismissal 2 pm						

Days of School Operation			
	Instructional	Staff Only	
August	0	3	
September	19	1	
October	20	1	
November	19	1	
December	15	1	
January	17	0	
Semester 1	90	7	
January	1	0	
February	17	3	
March	15	1	
April	20	1	
May	20	1	
June	17	2	
Semester 2	90	8	

Total Instructional Days	180
Total Non-Instructional Days	15
Total Operational Days	195

First Day of Classes:	September 5
First Day of Second Semester:	January 31
Last Day of Classes:	June 26

Instructional Hours			
	Days	Min./Day	Hr./Year
Elem./Jr High	180	317	950
High School	180	333	1000

Important Dates		
August 29, 30, 31	PLC Days	
August 31 (a.m.)	Catholic Education Formation	
September 1	PLC Day/Division Day	
September 4	Labour Day	
September 5	First day of school	
September 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day	
October 6	PLC Day	
October 9	Thanksgiving	
November 9	PLC Day	
November 10	Schools Closed	
November 13	Remembrance Day (Nov 11)	
December 8	PLC Day	
Dec 25 - Jan 5	Christmas Break	
January 31	First day of second semester	
February 2	PLC Day	
February 2 (a.m.)	Catholic Education Formation	
February 14	Early dismissal - 2 pm	
February 15 & 16	Teachers' Convention	
February 19	Family Day	
March 1	PLC Day	
March 25 - 29	Spring Break	
March 29	Good Friday	
April 1	Easter Monday	
April 19	PLC Day	
May 16	PLC Day	
May 17	Schools Closed	
May 20	Victoria Day	
June 14	PLC Day	
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day	
June 26	Last day of classes	
June 27	PLC Day	

Calendar Approved: February 8, 2023

Professional Learning Community - PLC days provide opportunities for staff to work together on topics such as: school opening and closing, professional learning, sharing best practices, assessment, and supports for students.

Catholic Education Formation (CEF) - August 31 and February 2, mornings


Diploma Exam Schedule 2023-24 - October 26, 27, 30, 31 November 2, 3, 6-8 January 10-12, 19, 22-26, 29, 30 April 4, 5, 8-12, 15, 16 June 11-14, 17-20, 24-26

Provincial Achievement Test Schedule 2023-2024 - In draft format as per Alberta Education

Approved School Holidays			
Labour Day	Sept 4	Family Day	Feb 19
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 9	Spring Break	March 25-29
Remembrance Day	Nov 13	Good Friday/Easter Monday	Mar 29 & Apr 1
Christmas Vacation	Dec 25-Jan 5	Victoria Day	May 20



November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	TBA: Lifetouch Picture Retakes		1 Sr Girls Volleyball in Myrnam	2	3 Sr Boys Volleyball @ St. Jeromes	4
5 Ag Society Craft Show Daylight Savings Set Clocks Ahead	6 Grade 10's @ Blue Quills	7 Jr Girls Volleyball in Myrnam Sr Volleyball SPAA	8 Remembrance Day Ceremony Day 3 (K Day)	9 PLC Day (No School)	10 No School	11 Remembrance Day
12	13 No School	14	15	16	17 NMS Report Cards Go Home	18
19	20	21	22 Awards Night @ 7:00 pm	23 MOHC Report Cards Ready	24 Sr Volleyball Zones Girls Two Hills, Boys Vermilion Day 1 (K Day)	25
26	27 Day 1 (K Day)	28 Day 3 (K Day)	29 Day 4	30 Day 5 (K Day)	Day 6 	
		Day 2	Day 3 (K Day)	Day 4	Day 5 (K Day)	Day 6
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	Day 1 (K Day)	Day 2	Day 3 (K Day)	Day 4	Day 5 (K Day)	Day 6

December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Day 5 (K Day)	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 PLC Day (No School)	9
10	11	12	13	14 Day 3 (K Day)	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Day 2	23
	Day 4	Day 5 (K Day) Christmas Concert @ 7:00 pm Day 4	Day 6 German Christmas Concert @ 7:00 pm Day 5 (K Day)	Day 1 (K Day) Day 6	Day 1 (K Day) Day 1 (K Day)	29
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> Winter Break! See you January 9th! </div>					