

## **Important Dates** to Remember:

June 8th-

Countdown to Zero for **Library Books!** 

First Class to have ALL books back wins a prize!

> June 7th-PD Day, no school

June 11th-**Backwards Day** 

June 14th -**Kennedy Thorp Spirit Awards** 

June 20th-Happy Father's Day

June 21st-**National Indigenous Peoples Day** 

June 25th -

Red & White Day & Last Day of School!





Thank you to some amazing Nurses in in Peace River!

Jessica Morrison and Katie O'Byrne are paying it forward and giving back to the community during Nurses Week when they deserve to be celebrated!





Hats on! for **Mental Health** 

**Green Shirt** Day for **Mental Health** 



# Superintendent's Message

## **Thank You**

As we approach the end of the 2020-2021 school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your contributions to education. It certainly has been an interesting and challenging year as we continually adjust to the changing landscape of the pandemic.

First and foremost I wish to thank our students. We recognize the uncertainty the pandemic brings to the lives of our students and you all deserve to be commended for your resiliency, adaptation, and dedication to your studies. To our graduates, we are very proud of each one of you and wish you all the best in your future endeavors. We know this is not the way you imagined graduation to be, and my heart goes out to you. To all our students, please know that the positive impact you have in your school, community and society is far-reaching and makes a difference. I am very humbled by the countless examples of collective and personal accomplishment, growth, school, and community spirit demonstrated this school year, especially during these challenging times.

Thank you to our parents, guardians and family members for your outstanding support and involvement. The way our families have rallied together to support learning at home, to provide child care, and to support one another is absolutely incredible. The COVID-19 pandemic has shown us what we can accomplish when we work together and our families deserve to be commended for their tireless efforts to support students learning at home. The pandemic has certainly caused a variety of stressors to our lives and for our parents who are already juggling many roles and responsibilities, thank you. I recognize and appreciate the time, sacrifice, coordination and effort you have and are all making.

To our staff, thank you. You continue to rise to the occasion in your dedication and flexibility in ensuring students are supported whether that be at-home or in-person, and for so many of our staff, this means both. Your resiliency, creativity, dedication and adaptability are noticed and is very appreciated. It has been a learning curve for all of us and the ways in which our staff throughout the division are collaborating and supporting one another is a true example of our mission statement "Learning together, success for all." Every role in the division has a direct impact on student learning and success and I am so grateful for the care, support and guidance that I see demonstrated every day in the division.

Thank you to our community members and organizations. We are very grateful for your involvement and participation in education. Your support and involvement shows our students the importance of teamwork and community spirit – very important attributes that will serve them for all of their lives. We are very thankful for your time spent volunteering, providing input, advocating, and forming partnerships throughout our school division that brings increased opportunities for students and increases community and school spirit. Your support is significant and very much appreciated.

In closing, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to all our school communities for their commitment to the division over the years. As I move toward retirement starting at the end of August, I have been spending a lot of time reflecting and counting my blessings for the many relationships and partnerships formed over the years. I will miss you all and I wish you all a wonderful summer.

Paul Bennett, PRSD Superintendent of Schools

Peace River School Division No. 10



## Principal's Message

June has arrived bringing with it sunshine and signs of hope! I believe we are all looking forward to a summer where we can relax without the worries of Covid and how it has affected our daily lives and relationships with family and friends.

All students and staff need to take this time to recharge the batteries for the upcoming school year. This past school year has been quite different from years past and, I suspect there are practices and guideline that will continue on into the future. What these will be and what it will look like is not certain but I believe that we have to prepare ourselves for this new reality.

On a more personal note, I have accepted a new position with Peace River School Division. Starting in August I will be supporting the Division as the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources. I am really looking forward to continuing to work with all of the staff of PRSD.

I have had a wonderful year at Springfield and have enjoyed the support of the staff, students and parents. I am very excited to be leaving the school in the very capable hands of Gail McNabb who will be your new principal. I want to wish her congratulations and my best wishes to all of you for a wonderful summer and a great start to a new school year.

Stay safe,

Elizabeth Green, Principal, École Springfield Elementary School













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Students in **Mrs. Viel** and **Ms. Robinson's grade 3 class** received new visitors in their room. Praying Mantis Pets!

We had to go online for awhile, but when we got back, we were able to see how they have grown by molting and shedding their outer skin.



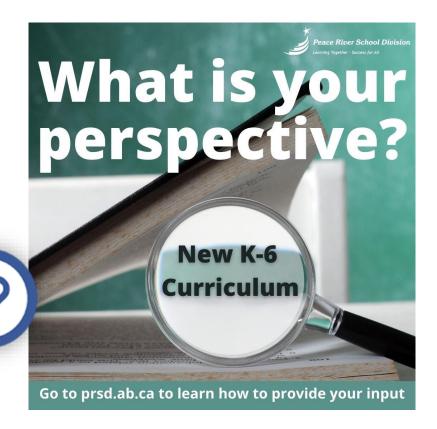






Mrs. Viel's Grade 3 Class!

Take
the
Survey
here



View the 2021 Draft (K-6) Curriculum here:

https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en

# Springfield's Project PEACE Success Coach

And just like that, we have entered our last month of school! What a ride this year has been. I can't tell you enough how proud I am of all the staff, students and you the parents/guardians for rolling with it!

Watch for Project PEACE's summer fun packs to be available to families again this year! I'll post more on our Facebook and our school web page as I have more details. Project PEACE is also looking to host some events again this summer. While we have yet to know if they will be virtual or in person events, we will be looking to have lots of fun supporting mental wellness.

If you haven't already, please like and check out our Project PEACE facebook page. We will be posting all summer long to help support families https://www.facebook.com/Project-Peace-for-Mental-Wellness-110314457292915

If I can assist your family in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me at mackenzies@prsd.ab.ca or call 403-624-2143 extension 14151. Sandra MacKenzie, Project PEACE



# Spotlight on Health and Safety







## June Safety Message - Sun Safety

Summer means longer days, warmer temperatures and lots of outdoor activities! This can lead to many hours spent outside increasing the chance for heat-related illness. To protect yourself from the sun apply sunscreen often, take breaks during activity, stay hydrated and wear lightweight clothing.

Please visit the following websites for further information on sun and summer safety:

- <u>https://www.redcross.ca/training-and-certification/first-aid-tips-and-resources/first-aid-tips/heat-related-emergencies-staying-cool-and-hydrated-in-canadian-summers</u>
- https://www.nsc.org/home-safety/tools-resources/seasonal-safety/summer/heat
- https://www.parentscanada.com/family-life/summer-safety-101/
- https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrcs/sfttps/tp201407-en.aspx

Have a great summer!

**David Smith** 

Safety & Wellness Coordinator















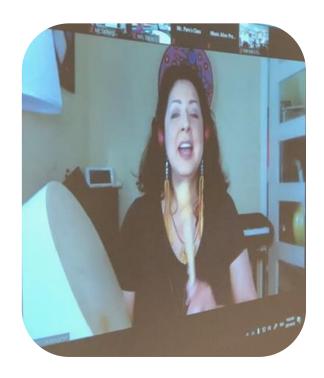








The grade 4 students participated in a tobacco and sage offering outside in front of the school in exchange for the First Nations songs, stories and games that they were about to learn about. Our Music Alberta Program workshop with Sherryl Sepewegaham was held virtually this year and as we could not offer the tobacco and sage directly to her in person, we instead offered it back to Mother Earth as a sign of our gratitude.







## Cree Songs with Sherryl Sewapagaham

Students in Mr. Sellberg's Grade 4 class enjoyed learning Cree songs and games with Sherryl Sewapagaham.

Thank you Mrs. Dallyn for organizing this awesome opportunity for the grade 4's!



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## The Art of Vincent Van Gogh

Students in Mr Sellberg's
Grade 4 class studied the
art of Vincent Van Gogh
and recreated the
masterpiece "Starry
Night"!

Students in Mr. Sellberg's
Grade 4 class enjoyed the
early warmish spring weather
on the playground.



# August/September 2021 Calendar

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	<u>Friday</u>	Sat
August	Welconic Back to SCHOOL	31	September 1	2	3	4
5	ရ No School	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	PD Day- No School	21	Tentative School Photo's	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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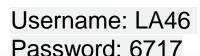


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## **Scholastic Education** digital resources available through **Alberta's Online Reference Centre**

Students in Alberta have access to four Scholastic Education online resources:



## Grades 4-9

ScienceFlix Transforming the way students access science

topics, acquire scientific knowledge, and build a lasting interest in science, technology, and engineering.





#### Grades 3-5

Uses content from the award-winning True Books

to help students strengthen literacy skills, build science and social studies knowledge, and cultivate 21st-century skills through inquiry.





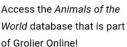
## Grades K-3

A remarkable online literacy resource that pairs classic, fictional video storybooks with top-quality, non-fiction eBooks.





## Grades 4-6





**Grolier Online** 



LearnAlberta.ca

To access any of these great resources go to

Do you like to read on your device? Maybe on your computer, laptop, e-reader, tablet, ipad or ipod? Download the Overdrive app on your device and add the Peace River School Division Digital Library. Gain access with your child's school email address - call and ask for your child's email address

Have you checked out Springfield's Computer Club on our School website? Click here or visit

http://www.springfieldelementary.ca

