

Ecole Springfield Elementary News





Important Dates to Remember:

April 1st - 11th-No School (Spring/Easter Break) April 16th-Neon Day April 21 - School Council Meeeting

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Daily Screening Checklist

Mrs. Aquino's class is having fun learning about plants! They harvested their own seeds from fruit in their lunches and are exploring how to germinate the seeds.



One seed is already sprouting! Some of the seeds the class will grow are lemon, apple and grapefruit seeds! Spring is on it's way and we are ready!









Superintendent's Message

Wellness in Peace River School Division

In order for us to learn and be our best, we must feel and be well. Educational research supports this connection and we take this very seriously. We feel we have a great opportunity to not only academically educate our students, but to support, guide, and teach them to honour their overall health and well-being.

To support wellness on a school level in the division, every PRSD school has a designated Youth Education Support Worker, Success Coach or a Family Liaison Worker. The role of PRSD's Youth Education Support Workers, Success Coaches and our Family Liaison Worker is to promote positive mental health in children, youth and families while working closely with school staff. This ranges from presentations, activities and programming that supports problem solving, emotional management, targeted topics, skills for learning, adolescent empowerment, healthy relationships, mindfulness, teamwork and leadership. PRSD also has three divisional Social Workers that provide one-on-one support to students in need.

We also encourage and support our students to be leaders, involved in the community and work together as a team - attributes that serve and inspire our students, communities and society as a whole. Students are also provided with opportunities to represent their school through various committees such as PRSD's Student Engagement Teams and PRSD's Anti-racism Committee.

Healthy eating and active living are important components to health and wellness and we support this through ongoing education, encouraging healthy canteen and vending machine choices, and by providing a broad range of physical education activities in the division.

In closing, I would like to thank all our students, families and staff who completed the Student Mental Health and Wellness Survey sent to students in grades 7-12, parents and staff in early February. The data is currently being reviewed and will be presented to the board of trustees on March 25, 2021 and will be shared with the public shortly after. The data collected from the survey will be used to leverage the board's advocacy efforts to impact positive change to support students and families in having access to the supports and services they need.

Paul Bennett, PRSD Superintendent of Schools

Peace River School Division No. 10

Message from Superintendent Paul Bennett

Indigenous Education in Peace River School Division

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Principal's Message

I believe that Spring has finally arrived!! Spring is a time for renewal and we are all anxiously waiting for the longer, warmer days. It is an opportunity to get outside and enjoy the fresh air and sunshine that should lighten everyone's spirits. Winter months can be long and appear to drag which can have a negative effect on us. As the snow fades away, we should be able to engage in more summer activities which is good for our overall health and well-being.

We are fortunate to have with us Sandra MacKenzie, our Success Coach, who can provide support with various aspects of wellness. She promotes positive mental health in children and families while working closely with school staff. She provides a range of presentations, activities and programming that supports problem solving, emotional management, targeted topics, healthy relationships, mindfulness and many other programs. Mrs. MacKenzie is a very good resource for our children and their families.

Hang in there, summer will be here before you know it!

Take care,

Elizabeth Green, Principal, École Springfield Elementary School



Happy St. Patrick's Day from 3VR!









Pound Fitness Workout!





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First Aid fun on PD Day!







Springfield's Project PEACE Success Coach

Welcome to Spring! It's so nice to see the sun shining and the snow melting. I know the increased sunshine has improved my own mental wellness! To help motivate you all to get outside and enjoy the sun, I've attached a fun little scavenger hunt for you.

https://www.cbc.ca/parents/play/view/printable-spring-scavenger-hunt

I don't think any of us thought this time last year, we'd be faced with another Easter where we were dealing with a global pandemic, yet here we are. There are so many fun things we can still do! So check out this link for a few different ideas. <u>https://www.islandsavings.ca/simple-advice/easterideas-for-families-during-covid-19</u>

Did you know the town is still hosting a version of their Easter Stravaganza? Check out the attached link for more details. <u>https://peaceriver.ca/event/easter-egg-stravaganza-hunt/</u>

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

Safety Message – Wildlife Safety

Spring time is rapidly approaching and everyone will be getting out into the sunshine! Wildlife activity will also be on the increase as they search for food after a long winter. Scented items including food containers, trash, cookware, toiletries and lotions can all be attractants for wild animals. Often adult wildlife will have their offspring with them. This can create an even greater hazard as they will look to protect their young from all perceived threats. It is important to be aware of your surroundings and be making noise to announce your presence. If there is wildlife in the area, space and time should be given to leave the area and avoid any possible conflicts with them.

The Peace River School Division, recognises that many of our schools have encounters with wildlife. When an encounter occurs the schools go into a hold and secure situation where all students and staff are called into the school. The children go on with their day but remain indoors until the principal gives the all clear and students are again allowed outside for their activities.

For more information on wildlife please follow the attached link provided by Alberta Fish and Wildlife:

https://www.alberta.ca/human-wildlife-conflict.aspx

David Smith,

Safety & Wellness Coordinator



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April 2021 Calendar

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