

École Springfield Elementary News A R C 2022

Our first, in person school assembly was a huge success.

Students were excited to come together again.

## Important Dates to Remember:

April 15th & 18th-No School Happy Easter!

> April 22nd-Wacky Hair Day

April 27-Kindergarten Open House & Registration 6:30pm

April 29th-Kindergarten Planning Day-No School





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## Why is School Attendance Important?



Did you know that being late for school hurts a child's learning too? A student who is 10 minutes late every day will miss more than 30 hours of instruction during the year.

Especially in the early years, the first half hour of the day builds good learner routines and reinforces concepts taught previously during morning bell work.





March 2022

## Room 110 - Robot Fun!



























Celebrating the Character Trait-Kindness and High Fives!

















Celebrating the Character Trait- Tolerance and High Fives!

# superintendent's Message

#### **Alternative Education**

To ensure the success of all students within the Peace River School Division (PRSD), we have created the Alternative Education Program that supports students and families through an adaptable, multi-faceted approach to education. At the forefront of this program, we have placed one of our most flexible educators, Saxon Butte, to facilitate and lead the Alternative Education Program.

With this program, more students are able to receive and access education in ways that break the traditional mode and support their specific learning styles. This allows them to experience more success within a dynamic setting.

The PRSD Alternative Education Program educates around 600 students throughout various programs and locations within the Peace River School Division and beyond. Available programs include Peace Home Learning Connections (parent directed education), Virtual Educational Program, Peace Regional Outreach Campus, Fairview and Area Learning Store and Hutterite Colony Programming.

For parent-directed home learning, the Peace Home Learning Connection allows parents to educate their children with support from the PRSD Home Education Coordinator, Golda David, and Marian Johnson-Higgins, the Home Education Facilitator.

PRSD has several geographically distanced, smaller schools with high school programs that have required a dynamic shift in practice to ensure students' success. The Virtual Education Program allows students to access high quality instruction for all necessary high school courses that are typically available in larger centres. This approach gives students a broader range of educational courses, resources, and specialized teaching to guarantee their graduation from high school.

To further support high school students, the Peace Regional Outreach Campus and Fairview and Area Learning Store offers flexible learning hours and high-quality instruction that accommodate students' family commitments, work schedules and any other needs they may have.

With these Alternative Education options, Peace River School Division truly is the first choice for students! Creating ways for ALL students to succeed is our top priority.

Adam Murray Superintendent of Schools Peace River School Division

# Principal's Message

Thank you to all our families who attended the recent Parent-Teacher interviews held just before the break. For the first time in two years, we welcomed parents and students back into the school for this round of interviews! We also accommodated families who wished to have a phone meeting. It was heartwarming to see the smiles on student faces as they showed off their work to parents, and highlighted learning accomplishments from this past term. If you happened to miss out on attending an interview with your child's teacher, please contact them at the school to set up an appointment. Next year, we are hoping to go back to an in person book fair during the interview days. Fingers crossed!

With the recent time change, the days are longer, the weather is starting to feel warmer and the puddles and mud on the playground are a temptation for students to explore - it's looking and feeling a lot like spring! With that in mind, please ensure your child comes to school prepared for the weather. This time of year, there is a lot of moisture, both in the air and on the ground, and we ask students to wear what they bring to school during recess. Splash pants and rubber boots go a long way in keeping our students dry and comfortable throughout the day.

With all classes being back on the playground during recess, I would like to say a huge thank you to our students for demonstrating such great playground behaviour. Most students are using <u>Kelso's Choice</u> Wheel to help solve minor conflicts when they arise. It is wonderful to watch the caring, respectful behaviour between friends - old and new - as they engage in all kinds of play.

Take Care,

Gail McNabb Principal, École Springfield Elementary School





### DEAR SPRINGFIELD PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

The volunteer Parent Advisory Council at Ecole Springfield Elementary School is fundraising to build a new playground to be completed in July 2022. Our volunteer committee would like to announce that we have met our \$160,000 initial goal and have surpassed it raising a total of \$184,028 thus far. With pending approval of completed grants and your help, the board would like to add additional structures to this new amazing playground and upgrade our existing equipment. The Springfield Parent Advisory Council, teachers and students thank you for any donation you can provide!

Thank you for supporting local and encouraging outdoor play for future generations!



#### Monetary or in-kind donations needed in full or part, if you would like to donate:

Buddy Bus: \$6,000 Picnic Table: \$2,000 Crazy Cup: \$1,700

Corkscrew Spinner: \$3,200 Lunar Scooter: \$2,100 Pea Gravel: 370t or 26 loads

Excavator/Bobcat: 1-2 days Sandblasting/Painting: 7 structures Trucking: Dirt and Pea Gravel

#### ETRANSFER: parentcouncilspringfield@gmail.com Password: playground PAYMENT BY CHEQUE: 7701 99th Street Peace River, AB T8S 1R4

Questions? Please feel free to contact Principal: Gail McNabb at 7806242143 mcnabbg@prsd.ab.ca or Fundraising Coordinator: Amanda Barkwell at 7802192565 parentcouncilspringfield@gmail.com.

### THANK YOU. THE PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL

Please add "Ecole Springfield School Parent Advisory Council" page to your Facebook account for updates!







# Meet the École springfield Grade Four Team!









Our fabulous Grade Four Teaching team is pictured above. From Left to right: Mr. Sellberg (Gr 4 English), Mme Schneider (Gr 3/4 French Immersion). Mrs. Viel (AM Gr 4 English) Language Arts), Mr. Pare (Gr 4 English). This hard-working crew share a wealth of experience and have a common love of hanging out with cool kids all day!



To help out in the Grade Four Classes: Top row left to right: Ms Makrakos, Ms. Nola, Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs. Monfette, Bottom Row left to right: Mrs. Bentt, Mrs. Darling, Mrs. Dyck. These wonderful EAs help ensure everything runs smoothly in Grade Four!

































































































# April 2022 Calendar

Springfield School Office # 780.624.2143

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