

Princess Margaret Public School 🎃🎃

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October 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PK/K – Days as indicated				
2 Immunizations (gr 6) Hot Dog Sale (gr 6) SCC Meeting @ 5:30 PK	3 Cross-Country Extravaganza @ Spruce Home K	4 PK	5 Volleyball @ JD Clothing Sale online K	6 PLC Day No Classes
9 Thanksgiving Day No Classes	10 Hot Lunch forms will be sent home K	11 Picture re-takes - AM PK	12 Hot Lunch forms are due K	13 Alfred Jenkins (PK) 9:45-11:20
16 Education Week PK	17 Bus Driver Appreciation Day K	18 Hot Lunch EDO's PK	19 K	20 Dress up for the future K
23 PK	24 Twisted Tuesday (wear your strangest clothes combo) K	25 Wacky Hair Day PK	26 Anything but a Backpack Day K	27 Pajama Day
30 Mullet Monday PK Halloween Costume Day PK	31 Halloween (K-8 Costumes – PM only) K			

**School Picture re-takes are Wednesday, October 11, 2023.
 Wear your best smiles!**

Principal's Message

We are now a month into the 2023-2024 school year. As we settle into routines, it is so great to have kids on our playground again and to be able to see everyone having a great time. It has been a fantastic start to the year, all of our students have been so excited to learn, and the engagement in our classrooms has been astounding. Keep up the great work! We have 204 students enrolled.

On September 27 we honoured Truth and Reconciliation Day by wearing orange shirts and discussed the meaning behind the day in our classrooms throughout the week. It all wrapped up with a smudge ceremony for our students and staff led by Knowledge Keeper, Rene French. We walked as a whole school around the community to remember the survivors and honour those who did not make it home from residential schools. Our assembly had our talented students doing a Fancy Dance, Grass Dance, Jingle Dance, and Metis Jig for the rest of the student body, we were so fortunate to have Rene and his good friend Zachary Cyr drum for our dancers. Thank Mrs. Wilkie for such a memorable day.

On October 3, our x-country runners will be competing at Extravaganza hosted by Spruce Home Public School.

Our girls' volleyball team had an outstanding first game and look forward to a strong season, go Timberwolves!

Our Princess Margaret Timberwolves swag and clothing store will go live on October 5!

Students will not have school on Friday, October 6, as our staff will have a Professional Learning Community Day to map out our plans for our student's future success regarding our reading literacy goal and continuing the implementation of the UFLI resource.

Education Week runs from October 16-21 with Bus Driver Appreciation Day celebrated on October 17. "Bright Minds, Bright Futures" is the theme this year.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to a great starting month in September. It was a success because everyone was working and learning together. Happy Thanksgiving and may you get many of your favourite treats on Halloween!

Jaret Nelson
Principal

HALLOWEEN

This year, costumes are welcome in the afternoon only. Please remember that they cannot bring anything such as plastic swords, axes, etc. These items will be kept in the office until the end of the day if your child brings it to school,

If you would like to send treats for your child's class for that day:

- *They must be nut free*
- *Store bought treats can be eaten during the school day*
- *Homemade treats will be distributed at the end of the day for your child's classmates to take home*

Your child's teacher will communicate with you in regards to what their classroom's Halloween afternoon plans are.

Scholastic book fair is coming!

NOVEMBER! NOVEMBER! NOVEMBER!

The Scholastic book fair will be set up in the library and will run the following times to match Mrs. Johnson's scheduled days at our school.

Nov. 6 & 7 **8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Nov. 8 **8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Nov. 9 **8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Please come out and check out all the new and exciting titles to choose from. We can't wait to see you all there!

Mrs. Johnson
Librarian

Student Leadership Council

We have started another year of SLC! We have a fantastic and energetic bunch of grade 6-8 students who have been eagerly planning spirit days for the students of Princess Margaret. We are meeting weekly at noon on Tuesdays and encourage any grade 6-8's to come out! We are going to be learning some leadership skills along the way too! Our upcoming Halloween Spirit week will be a **GRADE CHALLENGE!** Each day, the SLC members will go from class to class to tally the points for students who have participated in our spirit events. The grade with the most points by the 31st will win the coveted title and trophy of "Most School Spirit"! We encourage all Timberwolves to participate!

STAFF PARKING LOT

Please avoid using the staff parking lot from 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.. Many cars are going in and out at this time with young ones racing between cars. If you need to drop students off for the before school program, please use 4th Street. There is a sidewalk that leads students to the door.

The SCC or "Parent Council" at Princess Margaret Public School is composed of parents ranging from PreK to Grade 8. We have members that have participated in meetings for years, and some who sat in for the first time. We welcome new faces and encourage parent participation. The parent council is a place where you are able to listen and be heard. It gives you a chance to be involved in the discussions that makes your school and community a better place. For us to be successful we need additional

members. If you would like to join or even come to a meeting to see what it is all about, please contact Jaret Nelson (jnelson@srsd119.ca) or Kevin Fines (kfines@gmail.com) for more information.



PRINCE ALBERT

GOLF AND CURLING CENTRE

Junior Curling Program

Juniors – ages 11 – 19 – Mondays & / or Wednesdays 4:30 – 5:30 pm

League includes league play & instruction

League runs October 23 to March 6

Cost - \$80 – Sliders & brooms are supplied

For more information, contact Pat Bibby 306-961-5353

or the PAG&CC office 306-765-5201

Junior League – ages 14 – 21 – previous curling experience preferred

Wednesdays 7:00 pm - \$100 - October 18 to December 20

Registration is available online at pagcc.ca – curling – registration

Or at the curling office.