



## Kindergarten Open House!

**VIRTUAL FRENCH IMMERSION OPEN HOUSE: FEB. 9, 6-7PM**

**VIRTUAL ENGLISH OPEN HOUSE: FEB. 17, 6-7PM**

**Kindergarteners must be 5 years old by December 31, 2021.**

Visit the school's website for more information, including a link to join the online Open House.

**REGISTRATION FOR ALL STUDENTS (K-9S 'NEW' & 'RETURNING STUDENTS') MUST BE COMPLETED FEB. 8-MAR. 25, 2021!**

### DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

Feb. 3rd - Winter Walk Day

Feb. 3rd—School Council Mtg 6:30-8pm

RSVP to our School council at [meridianheightsschair@psd70.ab.ca](mailto:meridianheightsschair@psd70.ab.ca)

Feb. 4th & 5th—Teacher's Convention—Students don't attend

Feb. 5th—Gr. 2 to Rotary Park 1-3pm

Feb. 12th—PD Day—No students attend

Feb. 15th—Family Day—No school

Feb. 16th—Next in /out transition date for students

Feb. 19th—Gr. 2 to Rotary Park 1-3pm

Feb. 26th—Gr. 2 to Rotary Park 1-3pm

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

**Please open hyperlink to access our Public Calendar of events:**

<http://meridian-heights.psd70.ab.ca/Events.php>

**If you are not yet on the parent portal and or if there are any demographic changes to your profile please also ensure that you edit your information.**



# FRANCO-FÊTE

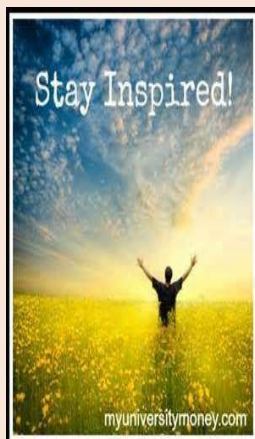
March 1-4th are the dates....more details to follow!

*When you can't find the sunshine, be the sunshine!*



CANADIAN  
PARENTS  
FOR FRENCH  
ALBERTA

Promoting and creating  
opportunities for students  
to learn and use French



≡ UPCOMING EVENTS ≡

<https://mailchi.mp/88fec74725d0/cpf-alberta-january-communic-13330576?e=3379ac2c51>

<https://ab.cpf.ca/>



## HOW DO I SUPPORT MY CHILD IN (FRENCH) ... CONT'D

### AUTOMATED ATTENDANCE CALL-OUT

#### AS WE NOW HAVE AN

**automated call-out for students who have unexcused absences, please ensure you call in to report your child's absence by 8:30am in the morning and by 12:45pm in the afternoons so you don't receive an unwarranted call.**



Check out these links to go further and have more fun

[CBC Jeunesse](#)

[Duolingo](#)

[Bookili](#)

[Bonjour de France](#)

[PBS French](#)

by Teachers at  
EMHS on February 1,  
2021

**[READ MORE ON  
OUR WEBSITE](#)**

Join Canadian Parents for French.

<https://ab.cpf.ca/>

Free until March 2021

Watch a favorite TV show or movie together.

French:

Change the language to French

Watch French stations

Check in and ask what is happening in the show

Make a game of finding out how much the parents can understand

Some classic French shows:

- TinTin
- Les schtroumpfs
- Asterix et Obelix

English:

Turn on subtitles and mute the volume

Ask about favorite parts / characters

Discuss if the movie were a real life situation. What would they do?

**Talk through a task you are doing with your child such as baking or cleaning or making something either in French or English.**

This will help develop vocabulary as well as make for many fun conversations.

Perhaps you can come up with silly names for your appliances.

For example: I have an appliance called McSteamy - can you guess what it does?

**Once a week make dinner a "French only" affair where everyone has to try and speak only in French.** Ask as many questions as you can about how to say something in French.

**Once a week at dinner rather than ask questions about how their day was and get those dreaded one word answers, ask specific questions about the subjects:**

What book did you read today? Tell me more.

What are you learning in Math? Can you teach me how to do that?

Tell me something funny that happened today.

**Share a new song**

Find French songs on Youtube. Most lyrics can also be found online for the songs.

Listen to your child's favorite artist. Allow them to be DJ for a few songs. Then share your favorite song.

**Use language apps together and have fun trying to beat each other through games found on the apps.**

## LUNCH

Our Hot Lunch program has begun again! We will be continuing with only offering it two days a week and there is still no made in house at this time. But we're happy to be able to do what we can and still comply with all COVID-19 safety protocols. If you haven't signed –up for hot lunch yet the website is <https://mhsaa.hotlunches.net> . There you can place food orders, make payments, and sign-up to volunteer.



**New Fundraiser Coming!**



Look for order forms to come home this month for locally made caramels, just in time for Easter!!!



*Have a great month!*

*Kindness is the  
language which  
the deaf can hear  
and the blind can  
see.*

