

Meridian Heights Hype

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Principal's Message

Welcome November!

We had a amazing Halloween at Meridian! It was so great to see so many parents attend the parade and the costumes looked great!

November looks to be a very busy month! We are looking forward to our first Meridian Spirit assembly November 5 - this Tuesday- where we will celebrate "We are Unique, we are Magic!" In November we will be honouring Remembrance Day with our ceremony on November 7 which will begin at 10:15am in the large gym. We invite families to join us is recognizing this important day. There will be no school for Fall Break for students beginning November 8, we return to regular classes on November 18.

We invite all of our Meridian Families to our next School Council meeting on **November 21 at 6pm** in the Library. Parkland School Division Facilities Director, Serge LaBrie, will be joining us to discuss the front park. Pizza and Childcare will be provided. Please sign up <u>here</u>. This is during our Parent Teacher Student Interviews so families can come to the meeting and see their teachers before or after!

SAVE THE DATE -- Later this week teachers will be sending out information to sign up for Parent Teacher Interviews - being held November 20 and 21!

Thank you for coming and supporting our students in celebrating their accomplishments! We can't wait to see everyone on Tuesday!

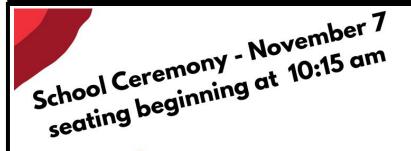
Treena Neumann - Principal

School Events and Calendar

Check out our<u>school website</u> to see our school's monthly calendar. Here you can filter by type of event and you can also add our calendar to your own iCal or Google Calendar. Please note that there is **NO SCHOOL - Fall Break -November 8 - 18.**









REMEMBRANCE DAY

Families are welcome to attend. If anyone is currently serving or has served in the military, please come and let Mme Lalonde (<u>lisa.lalonde@psd.ca</u>) know that you will be in attendance so that we can recognize and bonour you.



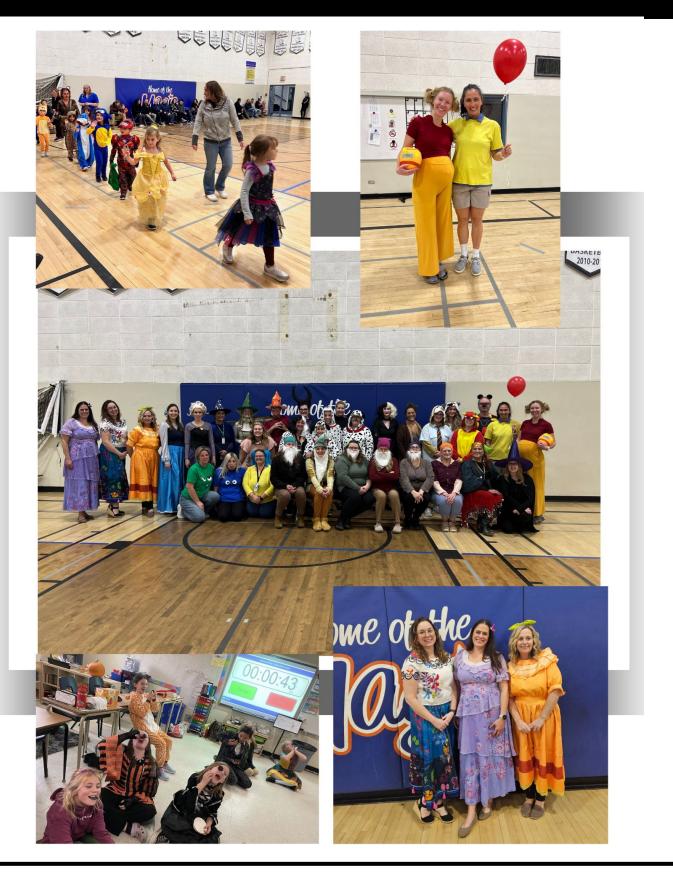


Morning Breakfast Program & Snack Shack

We are excited to announce that both of these programs are up and running! Grab and Go breakfast is in the small gym from 8:15- 8:35am daily and the Snack Shack is open beside the main office at recess and lunch!



















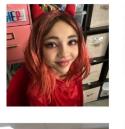


















Staffing Update

We are excited to announce that Mr Brian Penner will be taking over Mme Kerr's position while she is away on her maternity leave. He will be here for the remainder of this week to work with Mme Kerr on the transition.

We are thrilled to announce that Mrs Colleen Salter will be staying on as our secretary, and that we have hired two Educational Assistants, Danielle Bauman and Hanna Norgard.



Stronger Together Newsletter

Each month, Parkland School Division's Learning Services team compiles a newsletter for parents and guardians of students. Inside you will find information, opportunities and strategies to help you and your family connect with us on your child's educational journey. Each month we will provide you with information about mental health and ways we can work together to support your family. <u>Please click</u> <u>here to see the latest issue.</u>







Assessment and Reporting for the 2024-2025 School Year

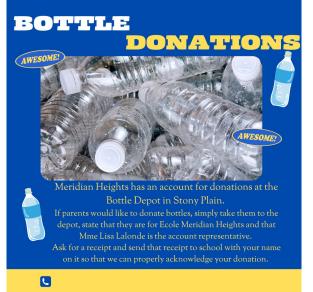


Semester 1		Semester 2	
August 28 - January 30		February 1 - June 26	
Student Led	Semester 1 Report	Student Led	Semester 2 REport
Conferences	Cards	Conferences	Cards
November 20 & 21 4pm-7pm	Live on PowerSchool January 30, 2025	April 16 & 17 4pm -7pm	Love on PowerSchool June 26, 2025

Regular updates and ongoing communication of student progress via PowerSchool take place throughout the year for grade 1-9.

Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns. Call us at 780-963-2289 if you need support with your parent portal username/password. We will also be running a parent session at an upcoming School Council meeting.

Student Led Conferences - Save the Date! We will be holding our first set of Parent Teacher Interviews in the evenings of November 20 & 21 . Information on how to book an appointment will be sent later this week via your child's teacher.









Please join us this year to celebrate and honour students in all classes that exhibit Meridian Spirit. Each assembly will be presented by a combination of classes and will share the learning our students have engaged in on the different topics. At the end of each assembly the Meridian Spirit Awards will be handed out to students in each homeroom.

November 5 - 2pm - We are Unique! Go Magic! Je Suis unique! Gr 5 Lalonde & gr 9 Cust & Gr 8 Letourneau & Gr 3 LeBritton
December 10 - 2pm - We are safe, respectful learners! Je suis prêt à apprendre! Gr 1 Starling & Gr 6 Boer & Gr 1/2 Gervais & gr 6 Kirk
January 30 - 2pm - We set goals and include others! Je Suis Inclusif! Gr 2 Sass & Gr Blanchard & Gr 9 Watt & Gr 2 Tremblay
February 28 - 2pm - We are honest and sincere! Je suis honnete. Gr 8 Jones & Gr 3 Paterson & Gr 7 Eddie & Gr 4 Matheson and gr 1 Mateus
April 11 - 2pm - We belong and can solve problems together! J'appartiens!
Gr 7 Anderson & Kindergarten Peck & Gr 6 Jepsen & Gr 4/5 Scheetz & Cloutier Kindergarten
May 23 - 2pm - We celebrate and succeed together! Me Voici Maintenant! Gr 4 McInroy & Gr 7 Anderson & Kindergarten Pronovost & Gr 5 Longpre & gr 3 Munro



Magic Athletics

Cross Country

Congrats to our Cross Country Running Team who wrapped up a successful season last Thursday! Meridian placed 3rd overall in our school division - awesome job athletes! A special shout to some accomplished runners who were awarded medals for their overall ranking across the season. Meadow Naas in grade 7 received a bronze medal, Adelaide Callbeck in grade 5 received a silver medal and Ellie Fredrickson in grade 5 received a gold medal!! A special thanks to our coaches Mme. Pronovost, Mrs. Forsberg, Mrs. Starling, Mrs. Peck and Mrs. Anderson for your time and effort this year.

Volleyball Season

Thank you to our amazing Volleyball coaches! Congrats to all of our volleyball athletes on a great season this year! Some of our athletes have an extended season as they were selected to play in the PCAA All Star Game at High Park School! A shout out to Ben Henkle and Desmond Sheriden who will represent Meridian Heights at 6pm on Tuesday and congrats to Bellabrie Froese, Brylee Blahun and Courtney Noseworthy who will represent us on Wednesday at 4:30pm.

Basketball Season

Basketball season begins after fall break! All interested students in grades 5-9 are invited to sign up on the bulletin board by the gym. Check in with Mrs. Mulroy for more information.

-Mon. Nov. 18 Grade 7/8/9 Open Gym: Girls 3:15 - 5, Boys 5-6:30

-Tues. Nov. 19 Grade 7/8/9 Tryouts: Girls 3:15 - 5, Boys 5 - 6:30

-Wed. Nov. 20 Grade 7/8/9 Tryouts: Girls 3:15 - 5, Boys 5 - 6:30

Though Grade 5/6 Junior B Basketball starts in January, we encourage students to sign up this week so we can plan accordingly.









School Council and Fundraising

Upcoming School Council Meeting

All Ecole Meridian Heights School families are invited to the next School Council meeting which will be in November 21 at 6pm. We have found our new School Council Chair! Thank you Rebecca Baglien! She has accepted the position of School Council Chair. An agenda will be sent via email prior to the meeting. Mr Serge LaBrie will be joining us to talk about the front playground.

A huge thank you to those who could make our Meridian 101 parent night! <u>Click here</u> <u>for the presentation that was shared that night!</u>

We look forward to more joining us for our School Council and Meridian Heights School Advisory Association (MHSAA) on November 21 at 6pm in the Library. Pizza and Childcare will be provided. <u>Please sign up here</u>







Community News!



Hi Parents/Guardians,

You should be getting a Growing Smiles Fundraiser form home soon. We would love it if you would consider participating to help raise funds for our school.

Here is the link for the fundraiser to order online, or you may use the order form to hand in to the office: <u>https://meridianheights.growingsmilesfundraising.co</u>

<u>m/home</u>

There are extra forms available at the office Payment is by CASH or CREDIT CARD ONLY

Orders are due by November 18

Thank you! The MHSAA For more information, please email mhsaaparents@gmail.com

Winter Fundraiser

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SUPPORT OUR GOAL BY ORDERING PLANTS FROM OUR FUNDRAISING WEBSITE