

Meridian Heights Hype

Principal's Message

March, 2025

Meridian Heights School	Welcome to March!
4119-43 Street	It feels as though Spring is here - we will see if it stays! March is a very busy month as
Stony Plain, AB T7Z 1R2	we kick off with Francofete, our Artist in Residence and Spring Break! We also have
Phone: 780-963-2289 Email: meridian@psd.ca	our rescheduled Parent Presentation at School Council on March 20. The end of February and continuing into this month has seen labour action by CUPE Local 5543. We are very grateful for your understanding as we have been navigating this period with reduced staffing. Our goal is to maintain as much stability as possible for your
<u></u>	child's learning and well-being. Thank you for your understanding and support as we
Principal :	work to manage these challenge.
Treena Neumann	
treena.neumann@psd.ca	In February we had many great experiences and some fabulous weather to end the month however we are now in the wet season and ask families to please send extra
	socks and pants just in case your child gets wet at recess or over lunch. <u>Registration</u>
Assistant Principals &	for next year began on February 10th. Please register as a Meridian student as soon
Inclusive Education Leads:	as possible so we can accurately plan for next year. We need this information to
	create the school schedule and begin planning classes and staffing for the upcoming year.
Nicole Saulnier	
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Dana Lakusta	thank the dedication and support of our parents, community coaches, teacher coaches and our students for a great Basketball season! There is no school March 28
dana.lakusta@psd.ca	for a PD day and then we move into Spring Break! Students return to classes on
	Monday April 7.
Website:	We invite all of our Meridian Families to our next School Council meeting on March
https://meridianheights.ps	20th at 6pm in the Library. Pizza and Childcare will be provided. Please sign up here.
<u>d.ca/</u>	We have an amazing presentation from Cst Gord Marshall for all parents to be
	educated on Social Media Safety for all students.
	We are so very appreciative and grateful for our amazing community!
	Treena Neumann-
	School Events and Calendar

Check out our school website 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. There is NO SCHOOL March 28, March 31. April 1,2,3,4.







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.

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 Lande/McInroy & Gr 7 Anderson & Kindergarten Pronovost & Gr 5 Longpre & Gr 3 Munro



Congratulations to our Meridian Magic Recipients!



sincere! Je suis honnete.





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!





March 21st is world down syndrome day!

Rock your unique and unmatched socks that day!









Reporting and Assessment



Expectations:

Grades 1-3

5-6 marks across core subjects and comments on 2-3 assignments a month. An overall grade level of achievement for each core subject will be updated at the end of each month in terms of descriptors (INS, SAT, COM, EXC). At Meridian Heights, we have been making the shift to ongoing reporting and feedback throughout the year instead of just mid year and end of the year report cards.

Starting in February, all of our teachers are regularly updating each student's PowerSchool by entering assignments and adding comments throughout the month. Instead of waiting for June report cards, our parents can login to find out where their children are at in their learning at any time.

Grades 4-6

6-7 marks across all subjects will be entered a month along with comments on major assignments (2-3 a month). Grade level of achievement will be reported in terms of descriptors (INS, SAT, COM, EXC).

Grades 7-9

8-12 marks across all subjects will be entered a month along with comments on major assignments (2-3 a month). Grade level of achievement will be reported in terms of percentage.



Scan the QR Code for Instructions on how to access grades on PowerSchool











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.





Magic Athletics

Athletics:

Our basketball season wrapped up last week! Congrats to all athletes/coaches on a successful season! Junior A and Senior athletes, please be sure to return your jersey to your coach.

Senior Boys and Girls Div 2 ALL STAR GAME: Wed. March 19

-Girls at 4:30pm/Boys at 5:30pm @ High Park Best of luck to 5 athletes who have been selected to represent Meridian at the all-star game: Bellabrie Froese, Torria Kjelland, Charlie Schroh, Jeremy Scott, Tali Carey Staff vs Senior Basketball Teams will be played NEXT WEEK on a date TBA!

Badminton Practices for All!

Mon March 3 (3:15-5): Grade 7-9 Girls Tues March 4 (3:15-5): Grade 7-9 Boys Wed March 5 (3:15 - 5): Grade 8/9 Players

Badminton official TRYOUTS

Mon March 10 (3:15-5): Grade 7-9 Girls Tues March 11(3:15 - 5): Grade 7-9 Boys Wed/Thurs (3:15 - 5): Additional tryouts as needed

Senior Coaches: Mrs. Blanchard and Mme. Kirk Junior Coach: Mrs. Mulroy Gr 5/6 Coaches: Mme. Letourneau and Mme Pronovost (Dates TBA)

Running Room Indoor Games Saturday, March 8

Elementary girls qualified to race at 9:15am. Cris Hahn races in 200m semi final at 3pm and junior highs qualified to run in finals are at 9pm.

Snowboard and Ski Club Update

Meridian Heights Ski and Snowboard Club has lucked out with some amazing weather! March 6th and March 20th will be our final 2 evenings at Rabbit Hill!





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 March 20 at 6pm. An agenda will be sent via email prior to the meeting. A huge thank you to those who could make our meeting in March ! Pizza and Childcare will be provided. <u>Please sign up here</u>



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. Please click here to see the latest issue.



The Canadian Parents for French (CPF) Annual General Meeting (AGM) is March 12 6:30-8 pm at Ecole Broxton Park in the learning commons.

