

Principal's Report - April 16

- Artist in Residence Program ended at Spring Break - take a look around at the art prints in the Art Room - a large-scale collaborative piece will be shared in May for families to come and view with possible public display as well.
- Spirit Assembly April 11 was amazing - last one of the year is May 25
- Quebec Trip
- Badminton Season is in full swing
- Front Park Update and Slide Request - see notes and email
- Education Planning is underway for next year - will share the Ed Plan for feedback at the next School Council
- Budgeting and planning for next year is also underway - We should be able to share class configurations in May --- we are missing RSVPs for students which is highly impacting the planning
- Staffing updates and information should be closer to be shared in May as well
- Teachers and class lists will be shared in August/September

Principals Report - March 20

- Cont Gord's presentation of Online Safety
- Parent Engagement Night being moved to April
- Spirit Assembly - April 11
- Parent Teacher Interviews - April 15/16
- Quebec Trip
- Badminton Season is in full swing

Principals Report - February 20, 2025

- Const Gord will be presenting at the next School Council - March 20. It has been confirmed of the new date - a new infographic and invitation will be sent to families and I will be boosting it on Facebook for interest
- Assurance Measures Survey is now out from Alberta Education - students and parents in gr 4 and 7 will be surveyed as well as all teaching staff
- Parent Engagement Night will be shared out in March as well - we are looking at March 25-27.
- Spirit Assembly - Feb 26
- Francofete - March 3-7
- Vive le Francais - March 6

Athletics

- Basketball - great start to the season
- Snowboard and Ski club start
- Running Club

Assessment -

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).

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

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.

Principals Report - January 16, 2025

- Looking to hear back from Const Gord, as there has been a change in staffing for the AHS drug addictions counselor so we will plan for a date and send out the parent night for online safety.
- Looking to set up a Parent Engagement night facilitated by Scott Johnston for parent feedback and planning for the 2025/26 school year
- Spirit Assembly - January 29

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Assessment

- report cards and comments coming out at the end of January

Student Support

- Community Classroom - GR 1-5 and grade 6-9

- Lunch Club - 4-6 and Jr High
- GSA - 4-6 and 7-9
- Literacy Intervention support

Principals Report - December 19, 2024

- Staffing Update:
 - Mme Pelletier is back in January early from Maternity Leave gr 1
- Kinsmen Christmas Hampers were awesome!
- 12 days of giving - Smokehouse window - over 20 families supported
- Meridian Spirit Assembly - next January 29
- Meridian Christmas Market - December 4
- Meridian Christmas Concerts
- Results Report has been submitted
- Basketball is up and running with teams being decided this week
- Community classroom in full swing
- Waiting for confirmation of the presentation for January 28.
- Update on Assessment and Reporting plan to be shared in January

Principal's Report - November 21, 2024

- Staffing Update -
 - Katarina Steadman - new Library Tech
 - Colleen Salter - Secretary II
 - Brian Penner in for Mme Kerr
 - New EA's
 - Danielle Bauman
 - Hanna Norgard.
 - Erin Taylor
- Kinsmen Christmas Hampers - December 16
- First Meridian Spirit Assembly - next December 10
- Meridian Christmas Market - December 4
- Meridian Christmas Concerts - December 17 and 18
- Results Report - committee creation to review
- Parent session - let's pick 1 or 2 days in January for Cont Gord to come as he has agreed to be available
- Basketball is up and running with teams being decided this week
- Choir is on fire :) running a few charoling sessions for seniors residences
- Beginning Literacy and Numeracy small groups for gr 2-9 - some pull out and some in class supports
- PSD Engagement night - Next wednesday at Broxton - intended for gr 4-6 parents

Principal's Report - October 17, 2024

What's been happening and what is upcoming:

- Staffing update -
 - We are saying good-bye to Mrs Robinson as she is pursuing a new position in her new hometown of Fort Saskatchewan - we will miss her and we wish her all the best!
 - Mme Kerr is getting ready to head off on maternity leave in November.
 - Currently interviewing for a Library Tech, 2 EA positions and a PE specialist to fill in for Mme Kerr

- Open House - What's the Scoop went great! - Meridian 101 went well!
- Complementary courses - All grades 7-9 students have now been added to and chosen their complementary courses - fees have been added
- Volleyball Girls & Boys - teams have been announced
- X-Country team is finishing up today!
- Terry Fox Run - Sept 19 - Toonies for Terry - went amazing and we thank Mme Lalonde for planning the amazing event.
- Both Chor programs are getting set up and have begun or will be shortly.
- Snack Shack & Breakfast program up and running
- Literacy and Numeracy Benchmarks & Screens for K-9 on going until mid-october, most were completed by the end of September
- Approved for our artist in residence program - AFA -looking to begin this in February and complete it by March.