

Meridian Heights Hype

June 2025

Principal's Message

Meridian Heights	Welcome to June!		
School	As we move into the final month of the school year, the warm weather and unpredictable		
4119-43 Street	storms have turned everything beautifully green! Please ensure your child comes to school		
Stony Plain, AB T7Z	each day with a water bottle, hat, and jacket, so they're ready to enjoy both sunshine and		
	showers.		
1R2	May was an exciting and busy month at Meridian! We wrapped up our Track Meets, held our		
	final Meridian Spirit Assembly, and celebrated a successful Badminton and Golf		
Phone: 780-963-2289	season. Our Grade 6 and 9 students completed the ELA and FLA PATs, and we were		
Email:	thrilled to announce the launch of two new programs coming to Meridian next year: REAL		
meridian@psd.ca	and Early Education. What's Happening in June		
	June promises to be just as packed with wonderful experiences. Highlights include:		
Principal:	 The last day of School is June 26. 		
Treena Neumann	 Field Trips for all students to celebrate the communities they've built this year - 		
treena.neumann@ps	please checkout the Meridian Calendar		
d.ca	 Completion of the remaining Grade 6 and 9 PATs 		
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Assistant Drivelas	 Our Spring Music Concert, featuring performances by our upper-year choirs The Grade 9 Farewell on June 5 		
Assistant Principals			
& Inclusive Education	• The Grades 7–9 Awards Ceremony on the last day of school, June 26		
Leads:	Looking Ahead to September		
	As we prepare for the 2025–2026 school year:		
Nicole Saulnier	• PowerSchool will be updated the week before school starts so you can view your		
Nicole.saulnier@psd.c	child(ren)'s homeroom.		
a	First Day of School: Tuesday, September 2		
-	Mark Your Calendars		
Dana Lakusta	• August 29, 2:00–4:00 PM – Open House and Supply Drop-Off		
dana.lakusta@psd.ca	• New this year! A chance to meet teachers, explore classrooms, and drop off supplies		
<u>uana.iakusta@psu.ca</u>	before school begins.		
	 September 11, 6:00 PM – Meridian Heights 101 & School Council Info Night for Families 		
Website:			
https://meridianheigh	Staffing & Class Updates		
<u>ts.psd.ca/</u>	We have some exciting staffing changes and an updated class configuration to		
	share—please see the next section for full details. We've had such a rewarding year with		
	your incredible children and will miss them over the summer. Thank you for letting us be part		
	of their learning journey. Wishing all of our Meridian families a safe, restful, and joy-filled		
	summer!		
	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. Our last day of school is June 26.



Updated Class Configurations and possible Teaching Assignments - 2025-2026

French Immersion

- K Mme Pronovost
- K/1 Mme Pelletier
- 1 -Mme Munro
- 2 Mme Tremblay
- 3 M Kubota
- 4 Mme Scheetz
- 5 Mme Fortin-Koga
- 6 -Mme Kirk
- 2 x 7 Mme Jepsen & Mme Longpre
- 8 M Cust
- 9 Mme Watt

English

- K/1 Mrs Peck & Mme Cloutier
 1/2 Mrs Gilchrist
 3 Mrs Paterson
 4- Ms Starling
 5 Ms. Ubbing
 6 Mrs. Fetter
 7 Ms Blanchard
- 8 Ms. Hogan 9 - Mrs. Jones

Specialist Positions Music - Mrs Huedepohl PE - Mrs Eddie & Mrs Forsberg



Grade 9 Farewell (Gym) Thursday June 5 - 6 pm

Grade 7-9 Awards Ceremony (Gym) Thursday June 26 - 10 am

Kindergarten Graduations (in the classroom)

Monday (June 23)): Mme Pronovost - 9:30am-10:30am

Thursday (June 26th):

Mrs Peck and Mme Cloutier 10:30 - 11:30 am



Staffing Update

At this time of year we are excited to have new staff join the team for 2025-2026 and we are sad to say goodbye to those moving on.

Coming to our school next year is Mrs Gilchrist from Copperhaven, Ms Ubbing from Wabamun, and Ms Fetter from Athabasca Delta Community School.

We are grateful for the work of Mrs Sass, Mrs Woodward, Ms Anderson, and Mrs Lande as they move on in their teaching journeys. We wish all the best to Mme Lebritton and Mrs Norgard as they adds new additions to their families. We wish all the best to Mme Lalonde, Mrs Boer, and Mrs Mulroy as they move to new and exciting adventures within in Parkland School Division. A huge farewell to Mme Letourneau who is pursuing her teaching career closer to home in St Albert. We will miss Mrs Steptoe, Mrs Parker, Mrs Bauman, and Mrs Bergey as they brought so much compassion and creativity when supporting our students. The dedication and passion that our Educational Assistants have brought to Meridian Heights will be deeply missed but we wish them all the best!





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.

Thank you to all of out students and teachers for a great year of celebrating our Meridian Heights Spirit! Thank you to all of the families that were able to join us !



Congratulations to our Meridian Magic Recipients!



We celebrate and succeed together! Me Voici Maintenant!







Magic Music

The school year is rapidly coming to a close and with that comes the year end concert for Meridian Heights' choir programme. Receiving two awards and four gold certificates, Meridian's choir members sang their best at the St. Albert Music Festival in April. We will share our festival repertoire one more time (along with some other summer favourites!) at the final concert on June 4th starting at 6:30 p.m. in our school gym. Even though rehearsals will end soon, keep on singing, my young singers! -Mrs. Huedepohl



French Immersion Summer School

For students entering into Grades 1-7 in September 2025 (just finished kindergarten - Grade 6)

Registration: open April 7 and closes in early June

How to register: through PowerSchool or https://register.psd.ca/ssr/

Classes run: June 30 to July 11 (excluding July 1st & weekends), 8:30am - 2:45pm

Location: CFL Stony Campus (4300 43rd Street, Stony Plain)

Cost: \$375 per student

- Program Highlights: academic mornings combined with active My Path programming afternoons
 Morning programming: This program of choice focuses on providing students with rich French language opportunities to increase students French Literacy skills specifically focusing on oral language and vocabulary acquisition. French Immersion summer school's secondary focus is numeracy. French Immersion Summer School will help increase the confidence of the students and build foundational French language skills.
- Afternoon programming: Physical Activity and Recreational Sport. Outdoor Adventure and Nature-Based Learning. Fine and Performance Arts. Nutrition and Healthy Behaviours. Citizenship and Volunteerism. Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM).







To our food service staff,

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School Lunch Hero Day | June 2









Around the School and community this month!









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Magic Athletics

Athletics:

Badminton: Our Grade 5/6, Junior and Senior badminton teams wrapped up a fantastic season! Special thanks to coaches Mme. Letourneau, Mme. Pronovost, Mrs. Mulroy, Mme Kirk and Mrs. Blanchard for coaching!

Track and Field

- Junior High: Our junior high students competed in a successful, rain-free day of track and field events this past Monday! A very special thank you to our parent volunteers who helped this event run smoothly! Students who placed in the top 4 of their event will advance and compete against Greystone, Duffield, Broxton Park, CFL, Living Waters and Ecole La Trinite in the Zone 2 meet on Wed. May 21st. Permission forms to attend this event must be returned to the office by Thursday, May 15th. Should students place in the top 3 in the Zone 2 meet, they will advance to the PCAA Track Meet on Friday, May 30th.
- **Grade 4/5/6:** EMHS hosted a meet for these students on Thursday, May 29th (all day). Families were welcome to come watch and cheer on our athletes. Should your child qualify in their events, they may have the opportunity to attend the PCAA West Track meet on Thursday, June 5th.

Soccer: Our soccer team season is closing. Semi-finals will be the first week of June with the final being played on Tues. June 10th. Special thanks to our coaches Ms. Blanchard, Mme Kirk and Mrs. Forsberg.

Golf: EMHS sent a team of golfers to the PCAA Junior High Golf Tournament at Deer Meadows on Monday, May 26th! Thanks to Mme. Eddie for leading the charge and accompanying this group at the tournament. Qualifying athletes will advance to Playoffs which will be held after school on Monday, June 9th.

PSD Try Me TriathIon: Any EMHS students 5 years old and older are eligible to swim, bike and run in this well-organized and sponsored exciting Parkland School Division event on Friday, June 6th. To register, go into your child's PowerSchool account, click on "Student Fees", click on the tab with your child's name, then click on the TryAthlon logo.

Jays Care Foundation Girls at Bat Program: EMHS is excited to be selected as a Jays Care Affiliate School. This program uses the sport of baseball in conjunction with student leaders to create a safe and inclusive space where girls can build a sense of belonging, build confidence, be a part of a team and have fun learning a new sport. All girls in grades 4-6 are welcome to join and no experience is necessary. This program will run in our big gym every Tuesday and Thursday during lunch recess until the end of the year.







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





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

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.







Amazing Artwork from our Artist in Residence Program!





School Council and Fundraising

Upcoming School Council Meeting

All Ecole Meridian Heights School families are invited to join our School COuncil that will meet again NEXT SCHOOL YEAR! Thank you to everyone that came out and worked with our council this year!!! Our first meeting is September 17, 2025 at 6pm!



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 here to see the latest issue.</u>





Canadian Parents for French - Parkland Chapter

Canadian Parents for French is a great organization full of resources and activities for families whose children are enrolled in french immersion or taking steps to learn french either in school or at your own pace. We are a group of parents who want to learn ourselves and help our children grow and flourish in their french immersion programming. A letter will be coming home with your child next week with information and an agenda for **our next meeting will be in June, and we will update you when a date is chosen.** We know it is a very busy time of year but we want to share important updates to parents.

SUMMER FUN!

Calling all French Immersion parents! Did you know we have a local chapter for Canadian Parents for French? With a free membership you have access to amazing programs and events. With summer right around the corner, there is a great event - **Camping en Francais!** This fun-filled family camping weekend is full of French and bilingual activities for French and non-French speakers. Join the fun August 8-11, 2025 in Pincher Creek, AB. For full details, click <u>here</u>.