





PARENT NEWSLETTER

It seems like September and October flew by this year and here we are on the last day of October.

Volleyball season is in full swing and it has been great to see the action in the gym. The Halloween Dance was a huge success last week and it was great to see so many students out having fun.

During the 2022/2023 school year students at Fox Creek School will again be completing Provincial Achievement Tests (Grade 6 and 9) and Diploma Exams (Grade 12) as part of Alberta Education's provincial testing program.

Halloween activities were held on October 31st at the school. Thank you to all the parents, staff and students for their participation and contributions to our event.

Our Remembrance Day ceremony this year will take place on Wednesday, November 9 starting at 10:20 am. Watch for more specific information coming next week.

Cooler weather is here and as such I would like to remind everyone that it is important for students to dress for the conditions. Please ensure that your child comes to school with their coats, toques, gloves/mittens and winter footwear when needed for the weather conditions.

Student assessments and attendance information is currently available online through our PowerSchool Parent Portal. If you have difficulty with the login please contact the school.

Just a reminder there will be no school for students from the 10th to 14th of November. School resumes on Tuesday November 15th.

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IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

Nov. 2 & 3 – Book Fair

Nov. 3 – Parent Teacher Interviews (Gr. 1-6) 5:30pm to 8pm

Nov. 4 – Picture Retakes

Nov. 9 – Remembrance Day Ceremony (k-12)

Nov. 10,11,14 – NO School

Nov. 16 – School Council at 7pm in the Library Learning Commons at Fox Creek School

Nov. 22 – Tacky Tourist Day (School Spirit)

Nov. 24 – School Assembly at 2:05pm (Elementary)

Nov. 28 to Dec. 2 – Tinsel Town

Dec. 21 - Christmas Concert In Person



For Elementary Students – Kindergarten to Grade 6

Thursday, November 3rd 5:30pm to 8pm

Book your appointment today at

www.schoolinterviews.ca/code/f2j9m



School fees are now past due.

Log on to School Cash Online to find out the amount you owe the school. Access to extra-curricular activities may be removed if there are outstanding fees to be paid.

We strongly recommend the use of School Cash Online to pay your past due amounts.

Partial payments can be made if need be. We will still accept cash, cheques, interac, or credit cards at the counter. If you use a credit card at the counter a 2.5% fee will be added to the amount you owe.

Why Use School Cash Online?

Convenient - Make secure payments 24/7 from the comfort of your home

Easy To Use - Online shopping with various payment methods

Safe - Your child won't be carrying cash or checks to and from school

Saves Time - Manage your school expenses and view payment history in one place



Retake and Class Picture Day! Happening Friday, November 4th.

WHAT'S HAPPENING





Exciting News! We will be having a Christmas Concert in person this year!

NOVEMBER

Comic Club: Wednesdays November 2-23 Ages 5-8 - 4:00-5:00pm Ages 9-12 - 5:00-6:00pm \$35/Non-Members \$25/Members Registration Opens October 20

Multi Sport Club: Thursdays Nov 3 - Dec 5 Ages 2-5 (Parent Involved) 2:00-2:45pm Grades K-3 4:00-4:45PM Grades 4-6 4:45-5:30pm Grades 7-12 5:30-6:15pm \$35/Non-Members \$25/Non Members Registration Opens October 15

Tiny Travelers: Tuesdays November 8-29 Ages 2-5 (Parent Involved) - 2:00-2:45pm Ages 5-8 - 4:00-4:45pm Ages 9+ - 4:45-5:30pm \$40/Members \$30/Non Members Registration Opens October 25

PD Fun Day: Thursday November 10 10:00am-4:00pm Various Activities For All Ages! More Information With Times Will Be Released Closer To This Date! Free For Members or Drop In Rates Apply

Kid's Night Out "Space Party": Friday November 9 - 5:00-9:00pm Ages 6-12 \$35/Non-Members \$25/Members Registration Opens November 9



WHEN: Nov. 2 - 8:30am to 4pm

Nov. 3 – 8:30am to 4pm

5:30pm to 8pm

WHERE: Fox Creek School Room 54 across from the Playschool



SCHOLARSHIPS



DIPLOMAX is now offering live, instructor-led webinar review sessions in January and June. The new instructorled webinar sessions are for English 30, Social 30, Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Physics 30, Science 30, Math 30-1 and Math 30-2. Review sessions will continue to be scheduled as two-day events, held from 9:00-5:00 on Saturday and Sunday, just prior to the exam. Students will be able to interact with the instructor, ask questions, clarify concepts, practice exam questions, and receive tips and strategies for writing their diploma exams in the same fashion as a face-to-face diploma prep review session.

The advantage is students are able to participate from their home or self-selected location rather than incurring transportation costs to get to the Edmonton facility. Students will still receive a complimentary copy of the Instructor's Notes resource immediately upon completing their registration in the course of their choice. Register on-line at www-diplomax-ca





SCHOLARSHIPS JUST OPENED!

Scholarship season is fully underway. There is currently over 7 Million Dollars worth of scholarships open for applications on ScholarTree!

Once students complete their profiles, they will be matched to all the awards they qualify for. However, one thing many students miss is that at the top left-hand corner of their scholarship list, they can filter scholarships by various categories; Program of Study, Ethnicity, Financial Need, etc.

We know in these uncertain economic times that, more people are worried about finances than usual, so we wanted to create a short presentation about where students can find scholarships and provide some tips to improve their scholarship applications. Access the presentation here: <u>Scholarship Advice</u>

For more information on Scholarships please check out our website at <u>www.foxcreekschool.ca</u> Click on "Students and Parents" and then click "Scholarships." MEET OUR TEACHER Mrs. Michelle George



About Me

Hello! My name is Michelle George. I have been teaching since 2013. I was with the Edmonton Public School Board until my family moved here in September. I have predominantly taught in division 2. This year I am teaching math to grades 3-6. I have 3 children: Nathan, Sammy, and Gabby.

Fun Facts

- I have been learning to knit and crochet
- I love reading
- Enjoy playing board games with friends
- Harry Potter Series is my all time favourite
- I love swimming and was a lifeguard for over 10 years

My Favourites

Colour: Purple! Drink: Tea Hobby: Crochet Food: Popcorn! Animal: Hippo Season: Summer

Math!

Favourite subject:

SCHOOL EVENTS

Anything for a Hat - Student Leadership Spirit Day





Fox Creek Volunteer Fire Department visited the school to present for Fire Safety Week

It's the 100th year. The theme is, "Fire won't wait, plan your escape".

Huge shout out to the members who gave up their time today to help keep our littlest community members safe.





Grade 6 with their mini pumpkins

CSI meet with Fox Creek RCMP

On Friday October 21, 2022.the Grade 7-9 CSI class had an amazing visit with Sergeant and Corporal Brand for an in class discussion about Careers in Law Enforcement, crime scenes, interviewing suspects and daily duties as a Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The CSI class has been trying to solve a murder case that was presented to them in early September and needed professional advice from the local RCMP. Many good questions and discussions were established by the Jr. High class with input from the local officers. The class was also invited by the Brands and the RCMP team to come to the local police detachment to experience and understand the process of criminal investigation on Tuesday October 25, 2022. At the detachment students were able to see the holding cells, interview rooms, the front desk and the police vehicles. The class was shown the process of a crime scene investigation. Students also witnessed how important observation skills are in this career. Honesty and integrity is an important character value in order to become a positive influence and representative in any career in law enforcement. Students learned how people skills and compassion are necessary in this profession. Knowing how to speak and support others in a time of crisis is an important part of this career. Following the evidence and not your opinion may be difficult when dealing with a crime case, however it is a necessity. Stay in school and pursue your dream was one of the messages given to the students. The CSI class would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Brand and the local RCMP branch for giving their time and experience to help the students progress and move forward with a better understanding of their crime scene at Fox Creek school.



Grade 8 CO2 Car Races The students had to design, build, and then race them. The winner was Brooklynn Taylor







November Monthly Assembly

Thank you to parents who made it out to our assembly. It was so great to see parents in the building.

The students learned about "respect," one of the seven Sacred Laws of Turtle Island. The grade 3 class presented how they each showed respect. The CHAMP team practiced some mindful breathing. The students were also reminded about playground expectations and dressing for the cooler weather. Halloween safety was also discussed at the assembly.









CELEBRATION ZONE

Thank you to Lisa Peterson from the Fox Creek Legion who joined our assembly to help present and congratulate our students who won last year's Remembrance Day poster and literacy contests from the Legion.



Poetry Winner – Caz Lakusta



Poster 2nd Place – Brielle DeCiccio



Poster 1st Place – Ava Bignell



Poster 3rd Place – Payton Brand

MONTHLY WINNERS

Winners of \$10 gift card to the Bookfair in November from School Council.

Gr. 3 – Abigail Clair Gr. 4 – Dane Boden Gr. 5 – Kane Zwicker Gr. 6 – Harley-Ann Thibert



Winners of \$5 gift cards from Rexall for SPARKS

(showing good citizenship and responsibility).

Gr. 2 – Addisyn Keough Gr. 3 – Chloe Wedge Gr. 2 – Carter Larocque Gr. 6 – Cee-jay Kozsan

THANK YOU'S



Thank you to one of the best ladies in the community, Auntie Barb for her volunteer work at the Halloween School Dance.



Thank you to the volunteers at the Fox Creek Fire Department for spending time with our students and educating them about fire safety while still keeping it FUN!