



SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER



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September 2025

Letter from the Principal

A Warm Welcome to Fall!

The halls are buzzing with energy as we dive into Fall! It's been a fantastic start to the new school year, and we're thrilled to have over 20 new students join our community. We extend a warm welcome to all our new families and can't wait to see them thrive here.

We kicked off the year with a highly successful Meet the Teacher Night. It was wonderful to see so many of you connect with our dedicated staff and witness the excitement on our students' faces as they introduced their parents to their teachers. A strong partnership between home and school is vital, and your presence made the evening a huge success.

Speaking of success, our annual Terry Fox Run was a tremendous hit! It was inspiring to see our students, staff, and families come together to honor a Canadian hero. We're so proud of everyone's effort.

Celebrating Student Achievement

We celebrated the success of our students at our Annual Awards Night, which took place this week on September 26. It was a wonderful evening where we had the privilege of awarding over \$20,000 in scholarships and awards to our deserving students. We are incredibly proud of their dedication and hard work, and we look forward to seeing all they accomplish in the future.

Introducing Our New Student Newspaper!

We are excited to announce the launch of our new student newspaper, Fox Creek School Newspaper. This weekly publication, written and edited by our talented students, will feature articles on school events, student achievements, sports highlights, and more. It's a fantastic opportunity for our young journalists to develop their skills and for the entire school community to stay connected. The Fox Creek School Newspaper will be published every Wednesday and can be found at the school. We encourage you to read each issue and celebrate the incredible work of our students!

As the crisp autumn air settles in, I want to again express my sincere gratitude for the tremendous support and enthusiasm you've all shown as we've launched into this new academic year.

Kind Regards,

Ian Baxter

Principal Fox Creek School - ian.baxter@ngps.ca

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Elementary Assembly

Elementary Assembly Highlights

Orange Shirt Day:

- We watched Phyllis Webstad's story, the inspiration behind Orange Shirt Day.
- Grade 3s led drumming as everyone walked to the beat.
- Students shared something they are thankful for with a partner.
- Classes learned about the importance of the number 4 by standing in circles and taking 4 deep breaths.

Kindergarten Performance:

- Shared a poem.

CHAMP Team:

- Shared the Waawaatesi (Firefly) song and led everyone in a calming Firefly Breathing activity.

SPARKS:

- Congratulations to this month's SPARKS winners: Hunter, Jax, Wade, & Logan. Each received a \$5 gift card from Rexall.

Safety Reminders:

- Use the crosswalk whenever possible
- STOP – LOOK BOTH WAYS – CROSS
- Avoid crossing between parked cars.
- Walk your bikes at the back of the school—no riding.
- Ride close to the sidewalk to stay safe.

June, July, August and September birthday students w
a cheerful Happy Birthday sing-along!



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September 2025 | Sports Corner

Fox Creek Sports Highlights

- Our Volleyball Teams have been off to an exciting start this season!
 - They competed in their first tournament of the year in Grand Trunk, showing great teamwork and determination.
 - The Seniors faced Hilltop—the Senior Girls took the win while the Senior Boys battled hard, taking it to a close third set.
 - At our home tournament, the Senior Girls placed 2nd while the Senior Boys fought hard in every set.

Golf

- Congratulations to the Senior Boys Golf Team on representing Fox Creek at the Zone Championships in Drayton Valley.



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September 2025 | CHAMP Team

Kelso's Choices

Kelso's Choice is a program for teaching conflict management skills to children.

Originator of the beloved choice wheel, these conflict resolution tools teach children the difference between big problems and little problems. Kelso, the frog, is a fun and engaging way for children to learn conflict management.

Parents and teachers are invited to use these resources to convey to children that they are strong enough and smart enough to solve many of their own problems using Kelso's Wheel of Choices.

Kelso's Wheel of Choices:

Try two (2) then ask an adult for help.



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September 2025 | Important Dates

- Friday, Oct. 3 & Sat., Oct. 4 - Jr. Volleyball Tournament @ Onoway, Sr. Boys Volleyball Tournament @ Spruce Grove, Sr. Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Devon
- Tuesday, Oct. 7 - Junior GCAA Golf
- Wednesday, Oct. 8 - Jr./Sr. Cross-Country @ Slave Lake
- Friday, Oct. 10 - Professional Development Day - **NO SCHOOL Support Staff or Students**
- Monday, Oct. 13 - Thanksgiving - **NO SCHOOL FOR ALL**
- Picture Day - Fri., Oct. 17, 2025
- Tinsel Town - Nov 24-28
- School Council Holiday Lunch - Dec 8
- Elementary Winter Concert - Wed., Dec. 17, 2025 > 7:00 p.m.
- Elementary Track and Field Day - Fri., June 5, 2026
- Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony - Sat., June 20, 2026

Parent Teacher Interviews

Elementary

Thurs., Nov. 13, 2025 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thurs., Feb. 26, 2026 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thurs., May 21, 2026 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Secondary

Wed., Oct. 22, 2025 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wed., Dec. 10, 2025 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wed., March 18, 2026 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wed., May 6, 2026 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

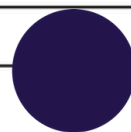
****For school holidays and professional development (PD) days, please refer to the NGPS Divisional School Year Calendar found on the Fox Creek School web page (www.foxcreekschool.ca) under "QuickLinks".**



JUNIOR VOLLEYBALL 2025/2026 SEASON



Game	Date	Transportation / Notes
Onoway at Fox Creek Girls only	Wednesday Oct 1	Games start at 4:30pm
Junior Volleyball Tournament @ Onoway	Oct 3-4	Bus + Stay at school
Fox Creek at St Joes Girls only	Wed Oct 8	Bus leaves at 3:00pm or parent drivers
Fox Creek at Holy Trinity Girls only	Wed Oct 15th	Bus leaves at 1:30pm or parent drivers
MHS at Fox Creek Girls only	Wed Oct 22	Games start at 4:30pm
Junior Volleyball Tournament @ Mayerthorpe (waitlist)	Oct 24/25	TBD
Possible Mini Tournament	TBD	
Fox Creek at Hilltop Girls only	Wed Oct 29	Bus leaves at 3:00pm or parent drivers
GCAA Final Tournament Onoway (Maybe) or Quarter Finals	Monday Nov 4	TBD
Junior Volleyball Zones 1J Girls Volleyball @ Saint Mary Catholic School Westlock	Nov 5	TBD
GCAA Finals	Nov 7	

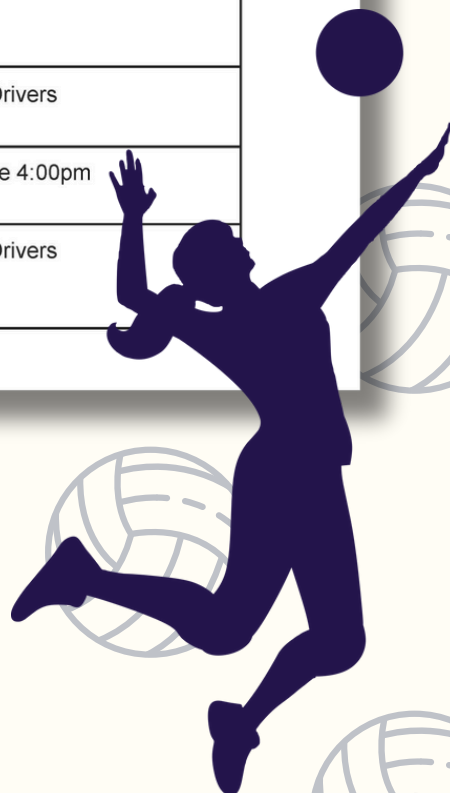




SENIOR VOLLEYBALL 2025/2026 SEASON



Game	Date	Transportation / Notes
Home Game vs. Swan Hills	Tues, Sept 23	Game starts at 4:30pm
Home Game vs. Hilltop (Senior Teams only)	Thurs, Sept 25	Game starts at 4:30pm
Senior Volleyball Home Tournament	Friday, Sep 26 – Saturday, Sep 27	
Away Game @ St. Joes	Thurs, Oct 2	Bus leaves at 3:00pm
Senior Boys Volleyball Tournament @ Living waters Spruce Grove Senior Girls Volleyball Tournament @ John Malland Devon	Oct 3/4	Parent Drivers
Away Game @ Holy Trinity Drayton Valley	Tues, Oct 7	Bus leaves at 1:30pm
Home Game vs. Onoway	Tues, Oct 14	Games start at 4:30pm
Senior Volleyball Tournament @ Mayerthorpe	Oct 17/18	Bus (Come back and forth)
Away Game @ Mayerthorpe	Tues, Oct 21	Bus leaves at 1:30pm
Senior Volleyball Tournament @ Swan Hills	Oct 24/25	Bus (Overnight at school)
Playdowns week , higher seed hosts 7th at 2nd 6th at 3rd 5th at 4th	Tues, Nov 4	Location based on seeding
Senior Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Living Waters Christian Academy	Nov 7/8	Parent Drivers
Senior Volleyball GCAA Finals @ Onoway (if we qualify)	Tues, Nov 12	Start time 4:00pm
Senior Volleyball Zones 2A Boys Volleyball @ Gerard Redmond 2A Girls Volleyball @Ecole St. Joseph	Nov 21/22	Parent Drivers



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Support Services

Just a reminder from the RCMP that these Support Services are available and are great resources.



Kids Help Phone

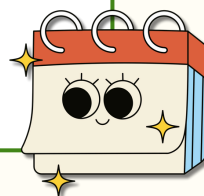


- **Kids' Help Phone** - 1-800-668-6868 or text 686868
- **Indigenous Help** - 1-855-554-4325
- **Black Youth Helpline** - 1-833-294-8650
- **Hope For Wellness Line** - 1-855-242-3310 or use their chat function
- **Canadian Indian Residential Schools Crisis Line** - 1-866-925-4419
- **Trans Lifeline** - 1-877-330-6366
- **Sexual Assault Text Line** - Text HOME to 741741



2025-26 School Calendar

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