#### Nurturing Learning in a Caring Environment



## **Mossbank School**

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Located on Treaty 4 Territory, the original lands of the Cree, Ojibwe, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and the homeland of the Métis Nation

# Prairie South Schools Learning together.

# January 2024

#### **Dear Moss**bank School Families,

As we welcome the New Year, I hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. January brings with it a fresh start, real winter weather and the anticipation of final exams for some of our students, along with the commencement of a new semester for our 7 – 12 students.

As temperatures drop, I want to remind everyone to stay vigilant and ensure the well-being of our students and staff during the colder days. Please encourage students to dress warmly, and if there are any questions about weather-related issues affecting attendance or transportation, do not hesitate to reach out to the school.

For our students in the upper grades, final exams are approaching quickly. I would like to commend our students for their hard work and dedication throughout the semester. As they prepare for their exams, let's offer them our support and encouragement. If there are any concerns regarding the exam schedule or preparations, please feel free to contact our dedicated teaching staff.

As we bid farewell to the current semester, we also look forward to the opportunities and challenges that the new semester will bring. Our commitment to providing high-quality education remains unwavering, and I am confident that with the dedication of our teachers, staff, and the support of our engaged parents, we will continue to achieve academic excellence.

**Please** keep an eye out for announcements regarding upcoming events and activities that will enrich our students' learning experiences. We are planning a range of activities, including our annual ski trip for students in grades 7 and up and we hope to have another pancake breakfast in February, all with the hopes of fostering a sense of community and engagement.

As always, my door is open, and I encourage open communication between parents, students, and staff. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any of our dedicated staff.

Wishing you all a successful completion of the current semester and a prosperous start to the new semester. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the success

of our students at Mossbank School.

Warm regards,

Brett Tiffen-Principal

Mossbank School



"How about instead of calling my mom we go old school and I just write a sentence on the board a bunch of times. You know, with handwriting getting such short shrift lately."

### Thank you!

- Thank you to Farm It Forward for the Free Pasta Lunch!
- Thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas concert!

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- Jan. 9-Pink Day
- Jan. 19-Pajama Day
- Jan. 24-29-Final Exams
- Jan. 26-Pajama Day
- Jan. 26-27th-Curling Sections in Gravelbourg
- Jan. 30-End of Semester I
- Jan. 31-Teacher Prep/LIT
  Day
- Feb. 2-Groundhog Day, Pajama Day
- Feb. 6-Pink Day
- Feb. 9-Pajama Day
- Feb. 13-SRC Valentine's Bake Sale
- Feb. 14-SRC Formal Day,
- Feb. 16-No School
- Feb. 19-Family Day
- Feb. 20-23-Winter Break
- Mar. 1-SRC Tacky Tourist
  Day
- Mar. 5-Pink Day
- Mar 8-Teacher Prep/LIT Day

#### **Nut Alert**

We have students and staff attending our school with life threatening allergies to nuts of all sorts and any residue from products made from nuts.

Parent/Guardians please do not send your child with snacks or lunches containing any form of nuts. Thank you for your continued support in helping us make our school a safe place for all.

#### DID YOU KNOW ...?

We have an achievements board at school where we post accomplishments made by students and staff of Mossbank School. Please let Katie Letnes know if you have something we should celebrate! Email Letnes.katie@prairiesouth.ca or text 306-354-7413 with one picture and information about the achievement.

#### **Job Action**

I wanted to provide a brief update regarding recent job sanctions initiated by the STF (Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation). It is important to note that we value the dedication and hard work of our teachers, and we recognize that these actions may raise questions or concerns. Going forward many of us do not know what the future sanctions will look like, however we want all stakeholders to know that the staff at Mossbank School will always have the best interests of the students in mind.

Prairie South School Division has been very supportive during this time, and we are working closely with them to minimize any impact on our students' learning experiences. We understand that this situation may create uncertainty for everyone, however we are committed to maintaining open communication with our students, parents, and community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out. We thank you in advance for your understanding and support during this difficult period.

Brett Tiffen

Please be sure to contact the office at (306) 354-2449 to let us know if your child/ren are going to be absent and let us know the reason as we need it with our MSS student program for accurate records. Thank you!

# Welcome to our newest staff member!



Mrs. Laura Petersen Educational Assistant

#### **Reading Buddies**





#### FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE 2024

Date	Time	Course
Thursday, January 25	9:00 – 11:30	English Language Arts – Provincial Exam (11/12)
Thursday, January 25	1:00 – 3:30	English Language Arts – (9/10)
Friday, January 26	9:00 – 11:30	Social Studies (9) / History (10)
Friday, January 26	1:00 – 3:30	Health Sciences (11/12)
Monday, January 29	9:00 – 11:30	Math (9) / Workplace and Apprenticeship (10)
Monday, January 29	1:00 – 3:30	Math Foundations 20
Tuesday, January 30	9:00 – 11:30	Alternate day for student exams
Tuesday, January 30	1:00 – 3:30	Alternate day for student exams

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# January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
21	22 Day I	23 Day 2  Adam Sandler  Dress Up Day	24 Day 3	25 Day 4	26 Day 5 Pajama Day	27
28	29 Day 6	30 Day I	Teacher Prep/ LIT Day	I Day 2	2 Day 3 Pajama Day	3
4	5 Day 4	6 Day 5 Pink Day	7 Day 6	8 Day I	9 Day 2 Pajama Day	10
11	12 Day 3	I3 Day 4  SRC Valentine's Bake Sale	14 Day 5 Formal Day	15 Day 6	No School	17
18	Family Day	20 Winter Break	21 Winter Break	22 Winter Break	23 Winter Break	24