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November 2020 Newsletter

Events this Month

Tues. Nov. 10 - Wear red/black

Wed. Nov. 11 - No School in observance of Remembrance Day

Mon. Nov. 16 - Picture Day with Lifetouch

Tues. Nov. 17 - Picture Day with Lifetouch

Thurs. Nov. 19 - Report Cards available through MSS Parent Portal

Thur. Nov. 26 - Wear Tie-Dye

Mon. Nov. 30 - Early Dismissal Day
Students dismissed at 1:55 p.m.

Sunningdale 2019-2020 Yearbooks

There are still a few copies of the 2019-2020 school yearbook available for purchase at the office. The book is \$24, cash or cheque only please.

Covid-19 Updates

Prairie South School Division uses the Saskatchewan Health Authority Website as the source of truth for COVID-19 information at

<http://www.saskatchewan.ca/coronavirus>



Message from Administration

We had the pleasure of meeting with parents, staff and a Board member at our SCC meeting last week. After 6 long months of not having a meeting, it was so nice to once again see each other and socialize. As an administrator, the feedback that we gather at these meetings is extremely valuable. One of the concerns that came forward was the fact that some parents are cutting "U" turns on Wood Lily and not always adhering to the no parking signs that are on Wood Lily.

Student safety is at the core of everything we do for our students. Please, please, please do not cut a "U" turn in the middle of the road and do not park in a spot that has signage indicating no parking. The reasons the signs and laws are in place is to ensure the safety of others. Please do your part! We know that some drivers are deterred by police, so just an FYI; fines for a "U" turn will put you back \$230. A parking ticket could cost you \$90. Speeding through a school zone starts at \$270. Christmas is coming! Follow the laws to keep everyone safe and keep your money!

Unfortunately, we have been unable to participate in extracurricular activities such as volleyball and X-country due to challenges with COVID-19. As a staff we miss providing these opportunities for our kids. We have still been able to

participate in the Terry Fox Run, Orange Shirt Day, Halloween Activities and SLC theme days. Thank you for supporting these exciting times!

It is a tradition at Sunningdale School, to honour our fallen and present day soldiers. We will continue this important tradition although we will need to do it a little differently this year. We will be sure to send photos out on our social media feeds on how we have honoured and given thanks to our heroes.

You may have noticed a new big and beautiful outdoor classroom just north of the school. This was a partnership project between the Sunningdale VLA Association and PSSD. Funds have been raised over the course of many, many years and it is awesome to see the project in its completion. Soon, you will see a fence erected all along Wood Lily drive. This fence will ensure all of our little grizzlies are able to utilize the outdoor classroom in a safe manner. Thank you for supporting this exciting undertaking! Will be fantastic come spring!

And finally, teachers have been busy at the school conducting various assessments with students. In many cases it is evident that students have been out of school for 6 months. Our teachers and support staff are working very hard to close this gap and get our kids back up to where they should be with their learning. Our school learning improvement goals this year are around becoming better readers and improving our math skills which will help. Parents have an important role to play in helping your children become better in both of these areas. You know your children better than anyone else, so you can help them choose books that meet

their own special interest. You can offer encouragement and support by ensuring your child reads at home and by asking questions about what it is they are reading. You can also help with their math skills. We wish to be helpful by offering some tips on how to support your children's math skills at home.

- Play store! Put some prices on their toys, food items in the cupboard, and items around the house. Parents be the clerk and have some fun!
- Have your child practice counting coins/paper bills of different amounts. Monopoly money works too!
- Review basic math concepts: Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Use dice and turn it into a game. Eg. Rolling a 6 and a 4 would become $6+4$ or 6×4 . Play a game with cards like math war, adding, subtracting.
- Count by 2's, 5's and 10's using beans or other objects around the house.
- Count around the house. Count steps as you climb them or blocks as you stack them. Count buttons on a shirt while getting dressed, pages in a book, or train cars as they pass by your vehicle.
- Give your child a catalogue or flyer to look at. It should have prices. Have your child pretend they have \$200 to spend. Ask your child to make a list of things he/she would buy with their \$200 budget.
- Record the length of objects at home. Measure some liquids in your pantry and fridge.
- Try to find as many patterns as you can within your house. Patterns found on furniture, wallpaper, geometric patterns on fruit such as pineapple.
- Parents will love this one...!! Have your child help you set the table, sort laundry,

and put groceries away as these tasks help with sorting.

*****At the very least, please have your child read, read and then read some more! We cannot stress enough the benefit of reading at home!*****

Thank you for being so cooperative and supportive in following our PSSD protocols for masking, social distancing, article drop-offs, and signing in when entering the building. Our students are doing an excellent job with our protocols and we are very proud of their efforts! These protocols will most certainly help us all stay healthy and in school learning and having fun!

As always, please don't hesitate to contact us at any time.

Lifetouch Picture Days

SAY CHEESE!



Exciting News! We have been given the green light to have picture days! Picture Retake Day has been scheduled for December 8.

Monday Nov. 16- K even, Grades 1,2,3&4

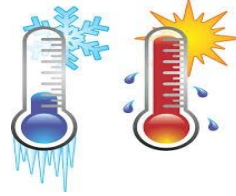
Tuesday Nov. 17- K odd, Pre-K, Grades 5,6,7&8

Student Led Conferences

Virtual Edition

We are hard at work making plans for Virtual Student Led Conferences. Please watch for communication from your child's teacher in the coming days.

Dress for the weather! Please help your child come dressed appropriately for the weather



conditions. Students will be expected to go outside for breaks and will need to be dressed suitably. You may wish

to take a moment and write your child's name in their boots and outside gear like jackets and mitts. This helps when we are trying to help locate lost items.

MySchool Sask Parent Portal

Have you logged onto your Parent Portal yet? If you have not, please do so. If you have forgotten your username, please contact Mrs. Noble. If you have forgotten your password please enter this temporary password **Parent#1** (you will be prompted to change the password once you have logged in).

NOTE: you MUST create the account on a computer (not a mobile device or tablet). If you need to use a school computer to do this, please contact us--we can accommodate you! After you have created an account, you can log on anytime to see mark submissions, attendance, etc. for your son/daughter. All report cards will be published to the portal on November 19.



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Lest We Forget

School Community Council

The AGM and election was held on October 27. We wish to thank the following parents for continuing the great work of the School Community Council.

Genelle Payant - Chairperson
Patricia Loptson - Vice-Chair
Kariann Robinson - Secretary
Raeleen Tenaschuk - Parent Member
Michelle Gulutzan - Parent Member
Andrea Darychuk - Parent Member
Charlyn McGregor - Parent Member

We also wish to thank outgoing members- Stacey Mohr, Erin Hewitt, Darren Gray, Tammy Giokas, and Brittany Stachura for your support and time dedicated to Sunningdale School!

The next School Community Council meeting will be November 10 at 7 p.m. in the school library.

COVID-19 Guidelines

Please refer to the link below for the Sunningdale School Safety Plan that contains information about mask policy, procedures for illness, and parent and caregiver responsibilities.

<https://schools.prairiesouth.ca/sunningdale/wp-content/uploads/sites/20/2020/08/Sunningdale-School-Plan-August-26-2020.docx>

We appreciate your due diligence and thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Food Delivery Services

Please do not have food deliveries, such as Skip the Dishes, deliver meals for your children to school. As stated in our Safe Schools plan, "Special lunches

from restaurants brought into the school by parents are highly discouraged. Please take your child out to have a special lunch." As partners in your child's safety, please refrain from having food delivered to minimize the number of visitors that enter our building.

Reporting Student Absences

Please contact the school by phone 306-693-9433 when your child/ren are going to be absent or late. A reason for the absence is also required so the absence is accurately documented in the MSS attendance program. **If your child is ill, you will be asked what his/her symptoms are and you will be advised to contact 811 if symptoms are COVID-19 related. Please indicate the reason for absence if you are leaving a voicemail after hours.**

Masks looking for its Home

If any of these masks belong to your children, ask your child to visit the office to pick it up.



Save The Date

Dear Grizzly Nation,

Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! To adapt to our changing needs, Scholastic has developed a **Virtual Book Fair** to provide an opportunity for our students and families to experience the joy of reading together.

So save the date! Our **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair** will take place on **November 16 to November 30**

When it's time to shop, visit our school's **Virtual Book Fair** site using this link:

<https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5150939>

Before our Fair begins, click the link to:

- **SAVE** it to your browser
- **WATCH** videos of popular new titles
- **PREVIEW** our Featured Books

Check It Out!!

[Scholastic Book Fairs – Featured Books Selection](#)

[Scholastic Book Fairs – Author Videos](#)

Watch for news leading up to our **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair!**

Happy reading Sunningdale!



VIRTUAL SCHOOL INFORMATION

From Nov 9 -13 parents may contact their school Principal to have your children transfer to/from the PSSD Virtual School.

- Parents whose child attends the Virtual School can contact Jeff Boulton to request their child transfers back into Sunningdale School.
- Parents whose child attends Sunningdale School can contact Mr. Osberg to request a transfer to the Virtual School. Again, this MUST be done between Nov. 9 and Nov. 13.

All transfers requests will be completed on or before Friday, Nov 13. Sorry, no exceptions.

Important Information regarding Virtual School:

- The Virtual School has no Chromebooks to lend out at this time. Students will need to have a Laptop/Internet to take online classes (phones do not work, and tablets are not a recommended device).
- Internet which supports Zoom lessons is required.
- EAL students with a CFR level below B1.2 should not take online classes. Please speak to your school administration about your

child's CFR score if your child is an EAL learner.

- Students who are independent learners typically do well in the virtual learning environment.
- EA assistance is not provided in the Virtual School.
- Elementary students taking online classes require an adult to be present/assist with the online classes (Parent/Guardian, Babysitter, Grandparent...etc.).
- Attendance is taken in the AM and PM - students are required to attend Zoom lessons - attendance is mandatory. If students do not attend Zoom classes, they will be transferred back to the home school.
- Parents for students wishing to transfer to the Virtual School can complete this form: <https://schools.prairiesouth.ca/virtualschool/elementary-registration-gr-1-9/>. Please speak to Mr. Osberg after you fill-in this form.