

# CANWOOD PUBLIC School newsletter

# OCTOBER 2021

# **ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE**

A sincere thank you to all staff, students, and families for helping to have a very smooth start up to the school year. It has been a wonderful start up, I can not state strongly enough just how good it has felt to see and be a part of so many of the good fun things that were missing from school last year. We have had a great turn out for a variety of clubs, and teams. The SLC is getting going and has already hosted a spirit week. Golf, football, soccer and volleyball seasons are all in full swing. We are doing our best to walk the line of safety and getting the fun factor back into the school. Thank you to the students who are doing a very good job of following the masking rules and doing their part to keep each other safe.

Our school goals are staying similar to the past couple years with a focus on literacy in the elementary grades and on time graduation for our high school students. In the month of October Mr. Linn will be meeting with the senior students to talk transition planning for their lives after high school. In these meetings students will be setting short and long term goals, to put them in the best position possible to start the next stage of their life once graduated.

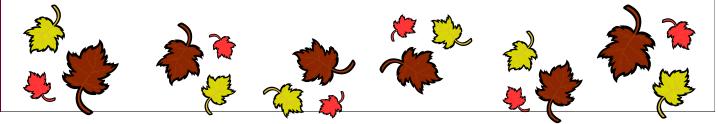
We have had a couple of concerned community members call the school or school staff about late night activity at the school. It is good to know that the community is looking out for each other and the school. We do have a caretaker that does work evenings some days and will be in the building until 11 p.m. some evenings. If you do see worrisome activity at the school after hours we would ask that you call the RCMP.

A friendly reminder to let the office know if your child will be leaving early. When notice can be given at the start of the day it makes for a much smoother time when the student is signing out for the day and the office is aware of what is going on.

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held Wednesday October 27<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-8:30 p.m.. The division has done away with the fall report card. A large part of this decision is because parents can follow their child's progress with their Edsby account. All parents have been sent an email with directions to create an account. If you have not received an email please check your spam folder and then contact the school if you still do not have the information needed.

Thank you again for a great start to the year. We are hopeful the great weather continues well into October as our farming families finish off harvest. Please stay safe in your fall activities from harvest to hunting let's make sure we do our best to come home happy and healthy.

-Mr. Brian Linn & Mr. Richard Schwehr



### **PAST EVENTS**

<u>Terry Fox Run</u> - Congratulations to everyone who took part in the 2021 Terry Fox Fundraising Campaign. The Grade 12 class organized everything, which included preparing fundraising packages for students, advertising and communication, asking community members for donations, working with Mr. Linn on the meal and the 8 kilometer run/ walk to the Regional Park and back. A special thank you to our main sponsors for donating towards the meal – Parkland Meats, Canwood Co -op Grocery Store and Willoughby Gardens. Thank you to the Grade 11/12 PAA class for making and serving the meal, Mrs. Hinson for col-



lecting and totaling all the money raised, Mr. Grant Person for leading and piloting the run with the firetruck and Mr. Duval and crew for putting up the signage. Thank you to all students, staff members and community members that helped in any way. There were prizes for the top three fastest runners and the top three fundraisers. The total we will be sending to the Terry Fox Foundation is \$4001.00. Great work Canwood School! -Ms. Lou-Anne Stefankiw

**<u>Orange Shirt Day</u>** - September 30<sup>th</sup> is Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. It is a day for honouring the children who were taken away from their homes to residential schools, and for addressing the legacy those schools left behind. In recognition of this day, Canwood Public School planned several activities. Each student created representation on a t-shirt template of what Orange Shirt Day means to them. These will be displayed in the school. Mr. Tibbs shared his knowledge of smudging with us and anyone that was interested in smudging was invited to participate. During an assembly, Tessa Genereaux and Brooke Williams read the poem I Lost My Talk by Rita Joe and Mrs. Sansom and Mrs. Howat each told their personal stories of how residential schools have impacted their family. We shared a feast of bison stew and bannock. Thanks to Canadian Prairie Bison and Roger Provencher for their donation of bison meat for the stew. Thanks to Mrs. Zora Renaud for the carrots and the Bischler farm for their donation of potatoes for the stew. Thanks go to our custodian, Mrs. Debbie Delisle for making and donating some of the delicious bannock. After lunch we had a moment of silence for all of the lives lost in residential schools or as a result of the legacy of residential school.

-Orange Shirt Day Committee- Mr. Tibbs, Ms. Stefankiw, Mrs. Sansom & Mrs. Howat





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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<u>*Picture Day*</u> - Canwood School's picture day is Thursday, October 7. Retakes are Tuesday, October 26.

<u>No</u> <u>School</u> - PLC Day, Friday, October 8 and Thanksgiving Day, Monday, October 11.

Education Week - October 17-23 is Education Week.

<u>**Parent-Teacher Interviews</u></u> - Wednesday, October 27. Interview times will be given to parents/guardians mid-October.</u>** 

<u>**Book Fair</u></u> - Wednesday, October 27, in conjunction with parentteacher interviews. Hope to see you there!</u>** 



### **PARENT INFO & REMINDERS**

<u>Student</u> Arrival - We would ask that students do not arrive at the school or get dropped off at the school before 8:40 a.m.. Thank you.

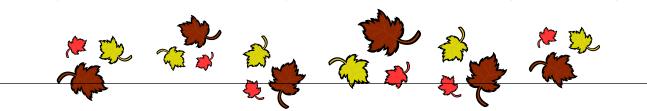
<u>School Doors Locked</u> - All doors except the main doors by the office are locked for the day. If you need to enter the school please do so through the main doors by the office, you will need to wear a mask, use the hand sanitizer, sign in and check in at the office.

<u>**Parking**</u> Lot - When picking up students at the end of the day please do not leave the parking lot until the buses have left the school.

<u>Student</u> <u>Attendance</u> - Please use Edsby, School Messenger or call the school office if your child will be absent or late. If your child is absent or late and we have not been notified, you will be contacted by the school. Also, if you pick your child up at school, please notify the office before your child signs out at the office and leaves.

Regular attendance is important for your child's academic success. Please try to schedule appointments outside of school hours whenever possible.

<u>Bus</u> <u>Drivers</u> <u>Needed</u> - Canwood Public School is in desperate need of spare bus drivers. If you or anyone you know is interested in learning more about becoming a school bus driver, please talk to any of our local drivers or call Tracy Pease at 306-468-2126 for more information. Training can be done at your own pace and can fit around almost any other schedule (work or home) you have to keep.



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# VIRTUAL Anxiety and Depression Group for Children & Youth

"Mixed Emotions" will provide virtual support to child and their caregivers who are experiencing anxiety and/or depression.

"Mixed Emotions" will strengthen the participant's knowledge of anxiety and depression, expand their "toolbox" of coping skills, increase personal accountability and assist in relapse prevention.

"Mixed Emotions" Virtual group will include parent/caregiver to assist in understanding anxiety and depression, and provides practical coping skills and support.

### **Up Coming Group Sessions**

Child Session (Ages 7-9) October 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th at 4:00 pm

Youth Session (Ages 9-13) November 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> & December 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm



To register, please contact Intake at (306) 765-6055. For more information please contact

Shelby Lysitza at Prince Albert Mental Health (306) 765-6055 or <u>Shelby.lysitza@saskhealthauthority.ca</u>.