

CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2021

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to another fantastic school year. I am excited for this year. Although we are still living with the impacts and uncertainty of COVID there are many positives to be thankful for. Namely the return of many of the fun factors that were not available last year. Extracurricular activities are back in full swing with only minor restrictions. This includes all sports, clubs, drama, and SLC. Also, guests are welcome back to the school meaning guest speakers, Elders, and school gatherings are back on the table. As of writing this we have already had four football practices and are looking forward to our first game in Hafford September 9. The main restriction still in place is masking of all people while indoors. The decision to continue to wear masks and all other restrictions were made at the division level and are not optional for schools to opt in or out of. These decisions were not made flippantly, but rather with much consultation of health professionals and empathetic thoughts towards students, staff and families while always focusing on peoples safety. I know there are many opinions on the mask decision, but I am confident we as a school can work within the current rules to provide quality education and bring back the fun factor to school.

I am pleased to introduce a couple of new staff members. Ms. Stefankiw will be in for Mrs. Balicki for the first six weeks and Mr. Tibbs will be our grade 7/8 homeroom teacher. Please help me welcome them to our great school community.

As stated above there are many events returning to the school this year. We will be hosting a welcome back open house in September 22. Read further into the newsletter for complete details. It will be great to see community members back in the building.

With the return of events and extracurricular activities also means the return of many forms in the welcome back registration package. We would like to thank you for completing the many forms and registrations as well as sending in school fees. We greatly appreciate the time it takes to fill these out, please know they do help us to do our jobs better. In the spirit of keeping everyone in our school safe please let us know if your child has any medical conditions or allergies we should be aware of. Mrs. Hinson, Mr. Schwehr and myself are happy to answer any questions you may have, please contact us at the office.

Once again welcome back for another year. For our farming families we wish a safe and smooth harvest season.

-Mr. Brian Linn

— WELCOME —
BACK TO SCHOOL

WELCOME BACK REMINDERS

School Parking Lot and Student Safety - Keeping students safe is a priority and we are asking for your assistance. After school, children may be walking between and/or behind parked cars on the way to their parent's vehicle where they can't easily be seen, or may be riding their bikes home after school. Wait to pull away from the school until students have made their way to their vehicles or down the street, and wait until the buses have left the parking lot. We need to do everything we can to avoid accidents, therefore, there will be teachers supervising this area while the buses are loading. If you attempt to pull away before the buses have left you will be asked to wait. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to provide a safe environment for our students.



****A reminder to all high school students:** Please park your vehicles behind the power pole in our schoolyard, as it is hard for our buses to go around each other safely.

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

Please do not drop your child off before 8:40 a.m. the doors will be locked until that time.

Please call the school to inform us if your child will be absent or late. If your child is absent or late and we have not received a phone call, we will be calling you to check on your child.

If you pick your child up during the school day please call the school office before they leave, Grade 7-12 students will have to sign out at the office.

Noon Hour - The school policy regarding students leaving the school premises at noon hour:

- *K-6 students living out-of-town are not permitted to leave at all. If there are exceptional circumstances, we must receive a letter or phone call from a parent/guardian.

- *Grade 7-9 students will be permitted to leave unless we get a letter from a parent/guardian stating they are not allowed to leave.

- *Grade 10-12 students are permitted to leave and are allowed to drive their vehicle.

Allergen Awareness - We have been a nut-free school for several years, please do not send any food or snacks to school that contain or may contain nuts. When in doubt when preparing lunches and snacks for your child, please click on the Anaphylaxis Information under the Safe Schools heading on the Sask Rivers Website, www.srsd119.ca. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the school. Thank you in advance for careful attention in this area.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

- *Don't let children arrive at the bus stop too early. They may be tempted to wander or get into mischief. Make sure they come straight home—no detours.

- *Make sure children know what to do if they miss the bus: come back home; or if at school, report to a teacher—and **NEVER** accept a ride from a stranger.

- *If the stop is a long way from home, plan and discuss with your children where they can go in an emergency.

- *If it is dark on the way to and from the bus, make sure the children wear reflective clothing and they are visible

- *Make sure that the children wait well away from the road-way, and stay well back until the bus has come to a full stop and the door is open.

*Explain to children they must walk at least 3 meters away when crossing in front of the bus so the driver can see them.

*Parents and motorists—watch for the red flashing signals and stop arm on the school bus. **YOU MUST STOP.**

Children, please follow these safety tips to make your school bus ride more enjoyable and safe for everyone on the bus:

*Make sure the driver can always see you when you enter or exit the bus

*Wait quietly in line—do not push or shove to get onto the bus

*Don't throw things while on the bus

*Don't yell or shout while riding the bus. Remain in your seat at all times.

*Look both ways before you cross the road.

****A reminder to all students:** If you are not going to be on your bus in the morning please call your bus driver and let them know the night before. If you are not able to contact the driver, call the place of pickup before yourself and ask them to tell the bus driver.

STAFF 2021-2022

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Brian Linn - Principal, PAA 9, PAA 11/12

Mr. Richard Schwehr - Vice Principal, Kindergarten Homeroom

ELEMENTARY STAFF

Mrs. Lisa Howat - Pre-Kindergarten, Student Support Services

Mrs. Heather Hladun - Grade 1/2 Homeroom

Mrs. Sara Willems - Grade 3/4 Homeroom

Mrs. Courtney Hansen - Grade 5/6 Homeroom

Mr. Keanan Tibbs - Grade 7/8 Homeroom

HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

Mr. Greg Duval - Grade 9/10 Homeroom, Art 9, Career Ed 9, Math 9, PAA 10, Phys Ed 5-12, History 11-12

Ms. Vanessa Balicki - Grade 11 Homeroom, ELA 9-12, Health 9, Math 10, Financial Literacy 11/12

Mrs. Koralee Sansom - Grade 12 Homeroom, Science 9/10, History 9/10, Physical Science 10, Health Science 11/12, Math 11/12, Biology 11/12

SUPPORT STAFF

Mrs. Connie Bailey - Pre-K EA (.5)

Mrs. Dyan Nordquist - Special Ed EA (.5)

Mrs. Zora Renaud - Special Ed EA

Mrs. Valerie Hinson - Secretary

Mrs. Tracy Pease - Library Clerk (.5)

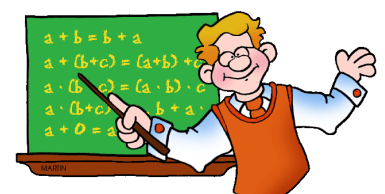
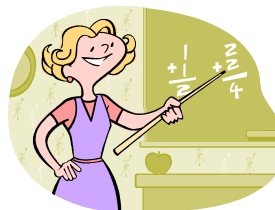
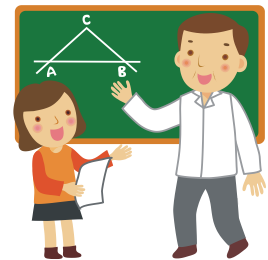
Mrs. Kaley Spigott - School Social Worker

CARETAKERS

Mr. John Kunard - Head Custodian

Mrs. Debbie Delisle - Custodian (.5)

Mrs. Ronda Schnarr - Custodian (.2)





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We're on the Web!

<https://cw.srsd119.ca/>

BELL TIMES 2021-2022

8:45 Warning Bell
8:46 Announcements & O Canada
8:50-9:45 Period 1
9:45-10:00 Recess
10:00-10:55 Period 2
10:55-11:50 Period 3
11:50-12:35 Lunch Break
12:35-1:30 Period 4
1:30-2:25 Period 5
2:25-3:15 Period 6
3:15 School Dismissal



We are ready to have a great year!



PARENT & CAREGIVER INFORMATION

Let's Meet - Canwood Public School is hosting an Open House evening on September 22, 2021 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.. Families are invited to stop in and meet their child's/rens' teacher. Students can show their families their classrooms. We will not be serving a meal this year. All masking and sanitizing regulations will need to be followed. We are looking forward to meeting you.

Picture Day - Picture day will be on Thursday, October 7. Retakes are Tuesday, October 26.

Noon Meal, Snack, Canteen & Milk - These nutrition programs have all been suspended until further notice. We will inform parents/guardians when they become available again.

Microwaves - will be unavailable until further notice.

Water Fountains - will be unavailable until further notice. Water bottle fill stations will be available.

Registration Forms - We ask all parents to please fill out the registration forms sent home with students and return them to the school.

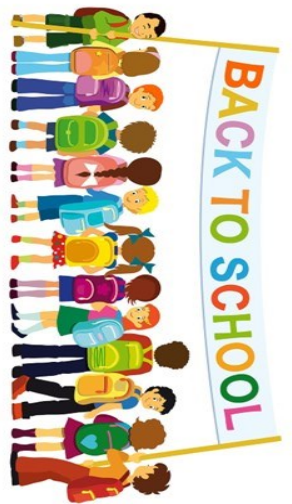
Website - The Saskatchewan Rivers website, Parent Information tab provides valuable information on Assessment and Reporting, School Calendars and Safe Schools. Please visit the website at www.srsd119.ca.

On the Canwood Public School website you will find bus updates, contact information, current hand-book, newsletters, staff lists, student links, calendar of events, and more. Please visit the website at www.cw.srsd119.ca and add it to your favorites or your home screen.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

New Alpine Ski Team - Timber Ridge Alpine Race Team. Call Heather Sten for more details at 306-468-4005. Registration info coming soon.

September 2021



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p>Mrs. Kaley Spigott, School Social Worker, will be at Canwood School on September 7, 14, 21 & 28</p> | | | 1 PLC Day No Classes | 2 First Day of Classes Grade 1-12 | 3 No PreK | 4 |
| 5 | 6 Labour Day No Classes | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 No PreK | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 Canwood School Open House 5-7 p.m. | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Orange Shirt Day | | |
| PreK | PreK | K | PreK | K | No PreK | |

COVID-19



DON'T HESITATE, **VACCINATE**



**Upcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics for
Students, Staff & Anyone Else Interested**

Big River Health Centre-Big River

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 1:00 pm—4:00 pm **DROP IN**

Parkland Integrated Health Centre (Great Room)-Shellbrook

Tuesday, September 21, 2021 4:00 pm—6:00 pm **DROP IN**

Pfizer

Contact Public Health if you have questions:

Rhonda: 306-747-6828 Tracy: 306-747-6827 Jelaine: 306-469-2505

For more information about Saskatchewan's COVID-19 vaccination roll-out and to find a clinic near you visit www.saskatchewan.ca/COVID19-vaccine

