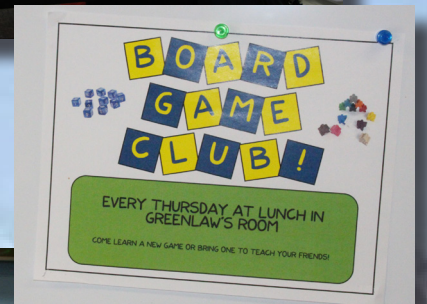


# Parkview Epiphany

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## Games Club

Games Club is a great way to while away an hour or so with good friends and great times. Mr. Greenlaw is the resident sponsor for this important club here at PAA. With a wide range of board games that members can learn and enjoy, Mr. Greenlaw has also started to include video games and has sponsored the recent e-games tournaments which have been quite popular with students. With the recent announcement made about online learning in December, Mr. Greenlaw is exploring new ways to remain connected with this uplifting club.



## Principal's Greetings



*I am grateful for our PAA students, parents, and staff. I am grateful for all of the support and prayers that you give PAA each day. I am so grateful that we are back in school even with COVID restriction.*

*Here at PAA, we laugh a lot. There is such a positive spirit here at school each day. We study a lot each day and the grades are really excellent. We are grateful for friends and teachers that care. Life has its challenges but life is good here at PAA. God is blessings our program each day. Again thank you for your support.*

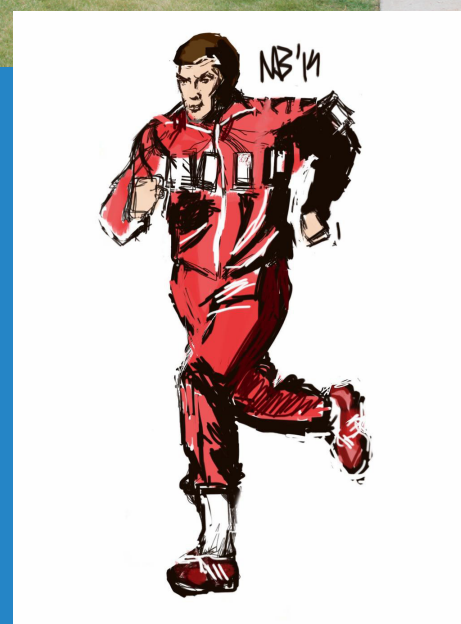
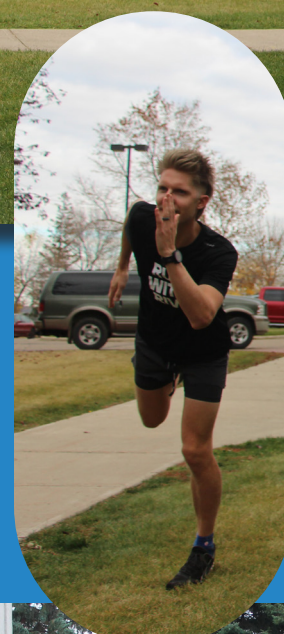
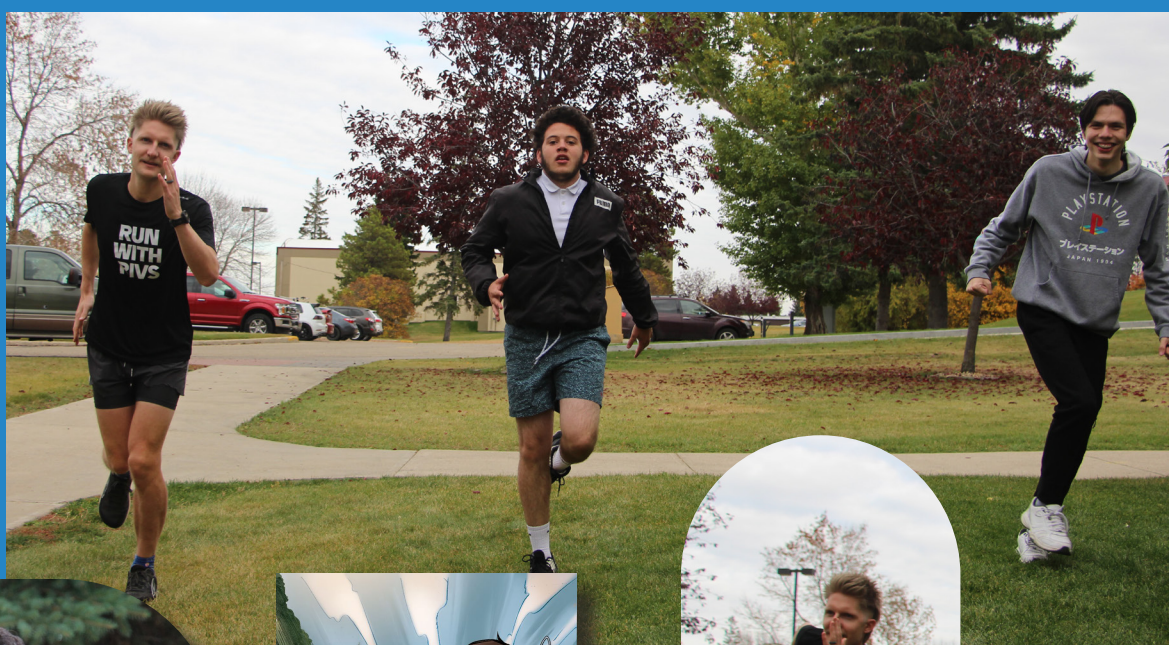
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# Track and Field (Cross-Country)

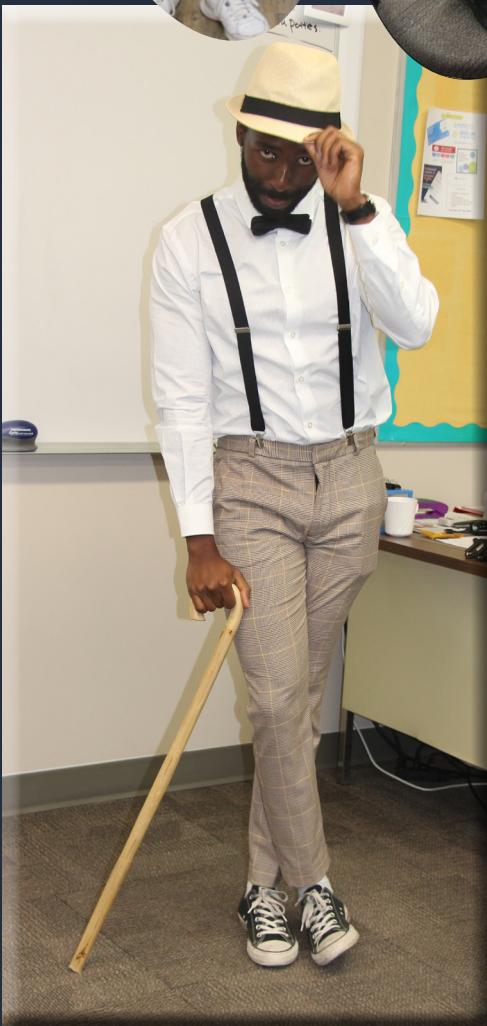
*Track and Field is the fall sport where Mr. Loxdale gets outside and runs away with dedicated students. Despite the limitations made by COVID-19 and the weather, there were multiple opportunities for these plucky students to continue with their cross-country training and become more fit in the process. As these photos indicate, there are many fun moments involved. There are even those spectators who get involved - cheering them on in their runaway moments.*





Spirit Week this year was quite successful, with students and faculty all taking the daily challenges to heart and showcasing creativity and interpretation. Survivor Points were awarded to the classes with strong participation, as well as best costume award was delivered daily for the week. There were so many great participants, that this is the second part to showcase these "spirited" interpretations.

# Spirit Week





# THE PROFILE FILES



Mr. Colton Greenlaw  
Math/Personal Finance Teacher

Favourite Bible Passage: “He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west” Psalm 103:12 (Go listen to the song East to West from Casting Crowns and you will cry a fountain of tears.)

Mr. Greenlaw has been working in the teaching business for ten years; five of those years have been in service to Parkview.

Graduating from PAA in 2007, he went on to earn his undergraduate degree



He has been “very happily married for ten years” to his “incredible wife Elissa.” He mentions that “she is my light, my comfort, my beacon, my best friend.” He continues to share that the “best decision I’ve ever made was marrying her.” He counsels, “Take your time finding someone worth marrying, it’s so worth it.” He and Elissa have three children: “Claire is 6, Sadie is 3, and Elliot is a 4-year-old stuck inside the body of a 1 year old.”

When asked about how he spends his free time, he responded with the following statement: “I know this would likely

come off as cliché, but I really enjoy spending time with my family and my kids. Of course, dads have to say that! But they truly are a joy and are hilarious to be around. For more personal time my activities usually fall into one of two things. One thing I do in my own spare time is work as a financial advisor helping families budget their money, pay off debt, and prepare for their financial futures. The other thing I do is play games. Most of my students know this about me but I really enjoy board games and video games. I admire how games can make you think and analyze problems in ways that many other mediums cannot. There’s also a certain social element to games, especially board games, that unites people together and I’ve grown to really admire that.” His hobbies include board games (he runs the local board games club at PAA - refer to front page), video games (he also hosts the e-sports tournaments this year), reading books, volleyball, live theatre, cooking, carpentry/woodworking, dreaming up crazy business ideas, and watching *The Office*.

Having a success story is par for the course for educators, providing motivation for those rough periods. Colton shared this response when asked about his positive teaching memories: “I know this is a very teacher thing to say, but I’ll feel such immense pride and satisfaction seeing my students grow up and realize their dreams. Being able to be part of that process that got them to that place is so rewarding to me. Sharing in their success somehow makes me feel like I’m a success as well.”

Teaching in our Christian schools, incorporating God into the lesson plans is a key aspect of our unique academic signature. Mr. Greenlaw shared this, when asked about this crucial component in the SDA teaching forum: Admittedly, I’ve struggle with incorporating spiritual topics into my math lessons. They’re two very different schools of thought. Probably the most common correlation I make is on the topics of truth and knowledge and how we know that the things we know are actually true. This can be a difficult reconciliation to make, especially if you’ve moved through your life just taking everything at face value and never really taking time to reflect on why you think certain things are true or right and why others are not.” Truly, a daunting task, yet suitably fitting for this position.

Colton finds inspiration from the biblical character of Joseph. Colton notes that it “took an incredible amount of courage for him to forgive his brothers after what they did to him. I’ve always admired how difficult that decision would be.”

Colton is a key player in the PAA game of education and mentorship. He uses his strategies well, and adapts to new situations effectively, helping those in need with help in all aspects of the developmental spectrum. He truly is a fun-loving, dedicated soul serving our God and His children here at PAA.



## The Last Word Mrs. Kay

*As I walk around our school these days I am noticing the effects of a pandemic taking its toll. I know this is hard. I know this is not the way you saw your senior, junior, freshman year going. As students, you often hear me calling tests “fancy worksheets” because that’s what they are. These tests are just fancy worksheets where you can’t hide if you haven’t been paying attention. COVID has presented us with a fancy worksheet. We’re in the midst of a chance to show off what we’ve learned. But it will also highlight what parts we weren’t paying attention to. Were you really listen-*

*ing when Mrs. Lintan spoke about how much God loves you? Were you paying attention when Pastor Marc shared that God is with us through struggles? Were you awake in my classes when you learned about your role in your relationship with God? Or is this fancy worksheet highlighting the parts you missed?*

*It’s ok not to know...but it’s not ok not to try to find out. If you feel like you missed something, like this isn’t making sense, and like this is too hard, do the same thing you do when you don’t understand the Punnett square, when the x refuses to be found, and when the sentences*

*just won’t turn into paragraphs. You go. get. help.*

*As teachers, we’re still learning this too, but we can help. You go ask for prayer, for support, for counselling, for whatever it is you need to be ok. And we will do what we can to help. And just like you’ve learned how to get help with your schoolwork by practicing, practice asking God for help. Practice being real with Him so that one day it will be as easy as walking into Loxdale’s room and saying “I don’t get it”.*