



Welcome parents, students, staff and community members. The start of the school year has arrived!

The planning process for each school year begins in January, well before the September start. Applications are submitted, and intake meetings begin to take place. If you've been in one of these intake meetings, you may remember that I ask parents to share three words that best describe their incoming child. This is always my favourite part. I'll often turn to the student and ask, "Did you know your parents thought these things about you?" Almost every time, a smile spreads across their face. Many say "Yes!"—and some are surprised.

Have you noticed how your child lights up when you encourage them or say something positive? As a teacher and principal, I've seen this countless times with the more than 500 students I've worked with over my career. I make it a point to validate and encourage students whenever the opportunity arises, because I know how deeply it matters—just as it means so much to me when someone speaks words of encouragement into my life.

This truth reminds me of a Bible promise in 1 John 1:9: “But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.” What amazes me is that He holds nothing against you... me... anybody! Realizing this as an adult was life-changing, and I often wish I had understood it sooner. Every time I read this verse, I can’t help but smile, because God’s thoughts toward me are far better than I could ever deserve.

That's why the first day of school is always so exciting—we see your children walk our hallways and begin to discover the qualities you have already seen in them, reflected in our daily interactions.

My prayer for each student and staff member this school year is:

Lord, I pray that your children will develop a passion for the things of God. I pray they will hunger and thirst for You and Your Word, and love You with all their heart, soul, and mind.

Give them compassionate and generous hearts to love each other as much as You love them. Help them to work and study with excellence, but let their desire be for a spirit of service rather than a worldly pursuit of success. May they fall in love with Jesus over and over again.

Amen.

Here is a WordCloud filled with the qualities you shared about your children. We are excited to be rubbing shoulders with these beautiful souls throughout the 2025–2026 school year!

Blessings!



Mr. Dani Desjardins - PAA Principal



Campus Ministries Newsletter



Welcome Back!

I am so happy to see all of your faces.

PAA! We are here at the start of another school year. One with many new faces, new expectations, and intentional opportunities to serve.

Last year was packed with opportunities to serve, connect and grow. I am truly grateful for the amount of grace and support that you gave me as I walked into something new.

This year, I am still new, so continue to pour out the grace and prayers, but also, I feel a bit more steady. I am truly excited for us to grow together as we sit in the Word of God.

Our theme this year for Campus Ministries is **LifeLine**. This year there will be more opportunities for us to connect with each other through the Word of God.

Our Bible verse for the year is **Joshua 1:7** "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do."


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Through our Chapel programs at the beginning of the week, we will walk through the book of Joshua and study how a mighty warrior practiced radical obedience, making him a powerful leader.

We will also have Bible study on Thursday evenings to walk through the book of John following the life of Jesus.

Finally, we will end of the week with our vespers programs on Friday evenings. This will be about our day to day life. How do we live now that we know who Jesus is. This will be addressed as we walk through the book of Romans.

This year is going to be packed with the Bible as well as endless opportunities to serve our community.

Pastor Du 

Upcoming Dates

Bible Study
September 18

Vespers
September 19

Bible Study
September 25

Mental Health Corner

Hello, and welcome to a new (or another) school year at PAA! We are glad that you are a part of our community!

I am so excited that this year at PAA we are finding new ways to have more conversations and take action to support our mental health and well-being. Dennalia Fray is acting as our Mental Health Student Advocate, and there are lots of awesome opportunities that she is organizing for our community this year!

And I am grateful to continue my role in meeting with students in their Religious Studies classes, working through Open Parachute's Mental Health curriculum.

Open Parachute has resources for parents as well to help navigate mental health concerns and related topics. These are available to you through the [parent login](#) here.

Looking forward to a great year!

Kayla Whitworth
Learning Support Teacher



Learning Support Corner

Hello, I'm Kayla Whitworth!

I am PAA's Vice Principal and science teacher; and a seasonally medal-motivated runner, and proud dog mom. I am also the Learning Support Teacher here at PAA. In this specific role I coordinate the implementation of learning support plans for students and work to make sure students are supported in the ways that they need to be successful in each of their classes.

I have connected with some of you already, and look forward to connecting with more of you as we go through the year!

Please know that as teachers, we would be glad to hear your questions or concerns at any time! However, if you're noticing your child is having some wider spread struggles or you're not sure where to start with getting some clarity or help, feel free to reach out to me also.

Gratefully,

Kayla Whitworth
Learning Support Teacher



What's up PAA?

Important Dates

- Sep 23 - Mental Health Workshop, 6:30pm
- Sep 24 - Careers: The Next Generation, 6:00pm
- Sep 29 - Truth & Reconciliation Day observed, wear orange today
- Sep 30 - No School
National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Home and School Association

PAA's Home and School Association is a parent led association that assists at PAA as needed. Joining the leadership team, becoming a class parent, supporting financially, and providing snacks and assistance for events are just some of the ways parents can play a part in the Home and School Association.

**The first monthly meeting is Monday, Sep 29 from 6:30-7:30pm.
Come visit with parents and share your ideas.**



Contact the Home and School Assoc. leader today at hsleader@gmail.com to see how you can get involved!

What's up PAA?

DOOR SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday:

8:00am - 4:00pm

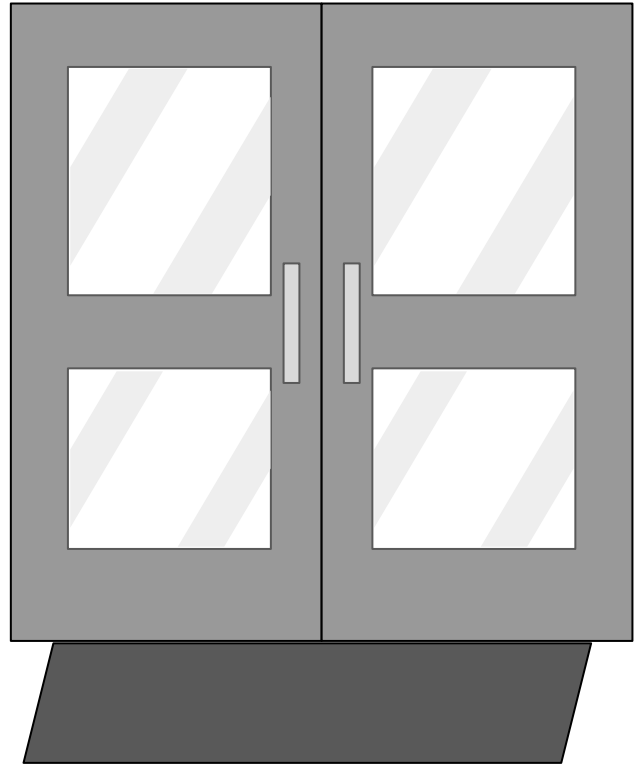
Friday: 8:00am - 1:00pm

CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday:

8:25am - 3:35pm

Friday: 8:25am - 12:35pm



Please note that student drop off and pick up times should be planned according to our door schedule.

Dismissal is at **3:35pm (12:35pm Fridays)** and school doors will be locked by **4:00pm (1:00pm Fridays)**. It is very important that arrangements be in place, as there will be no access to the school past **4:00pm (1:00pm Fridays)**.

If you are not able to come before 4:00pm (or 1:00pm Fridays), your child can arrange to meet you at the Burman library or the Burman gym.

This will be ongoing throughout the school year.
Thank you for your attention to our door schedule!

Mental Health Corner



SchoolMessenger®

PAA uses SchoolMessenger as a communication tool.

This communication method will be used to keep you informed of school closures or emergencies, attendance information, and other important information.

**Make sure you OPT-IN
and get alerts from
Parkview Adventist Academy
by texting "Y" to 978338.**

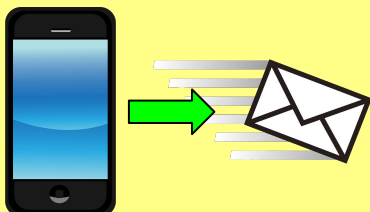


Parents: Report Absences

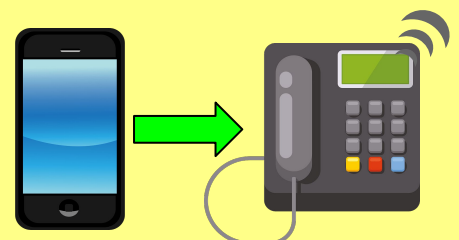
Part of our role at PAA is to ensure the safety of all our students and knowing where students are throughout the day.

Parents, please call the school to notify if your child will be absent for the day or if they are leaving early.
You can do so by emailing or calling the school office.

Thank you!



587-815-8800
office@paa.ca



What's up PAA?

PAA Cell Phone Policy

Purpose:

To help everyone stay focused and safe at school.

Who Does This Apply To?

This is a province wide policy

What's Expected:

Keep your phones, tablets, smartwatches, and headphones on silent or turned off and put away during class.

You can use them during flex or lunch breaks.

Exceptions:

Medical conditions which need permission from a doctor.

For specific learning activities during class.

Social Media:

You won't be able to access social media sites on school Wi-Fi during school hours.

What Happens if You Break the Rules:

1st time: You'll get a verbal warning, and be reminded of the policy.

2nd time: Your device will be turned in to the office until the end of the day, and your parents/guardians will be informed.

3rd time: Your device will be turned in to the office, and your parents/guardians will need to meet with the Principal.

Everyone at school (including students, staff, and parents) is responsible for following these rules.



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PAA CAFE

PAA's Hot Lunch Program

Hot lunches can be ordered Monday-Friday 9am
for the following week.

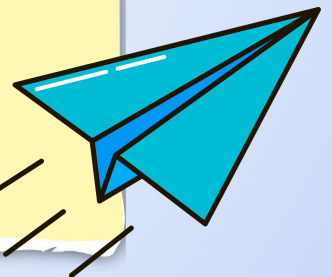
Check your email for more details.



ORDER TODAY!

**If you wish to meet or connect with a teacher at any time
throughout the year, please email them
to make an appointment or communicate your needs.**

Name	Email
Mr. Dani Desjardins	principal@paa.ca
Mr. Karel Blankenfeldt	kblankenfeldt@paa.ca
Mr. John Borges	jborges@paa.ca
Miss Mariese Emmons	memmons@paa.ca
Ms Sharline Fernandez	sfernand@paa.ca
Miss Dennalia Fray	dfray@paa.ca
Mr. Scott MacDonald	smacdonald@paa.ca
Miss Skyla McCreery	smccreery@paa.ca
Miss Michelle Mitchell	mmitchell@paa.ca
Mr. Bruce Ruzindana	bruzindana@paa.ca
Mrs. Kayla Whitworth	kwhitworth@paa.ca



What's up PAA?

Mental Health WORKSHOP

6:30 PM

PARKVIEW
ADVENTIST
ACADEMY

5102 College Ave.



PAA 2025/26

SEPTEMBER 23

Join us for a workshop on **Identity and Goals Setting** to kick off the school year. You are all welcome to this powerful session that will set you up for success this year.

To register please visit
paa.ca

For more information
dfray@paa.ca

What's up PAA?



PowerSchool

Parent Access:

Paying School Tuition & Fees

Parent access to PowerSchool is set up so you can view your child's grades and attendance, pay school fees, and submit permission forms throughout the year.

[Please log in at this link.](#)

To pay for school fees, open the left hand side menu and click "Pay School Fees" at the bottom.

To submit permission forms, open the left hand side menu and click "SchoolEngage" at the bottom and look for incomplete forms to be submitted.

Have any access issues?
Contact the office: office@paa.ca





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 First Day of School	3	4	5	6
7	8 Chapel	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Chapel Parent Info Night, 6:30pm	16	17	18	19 Deadline: Register for Burman UExperience	20
21	22 Chapel	23 Mental Health Workshop 6:30p	24 Careers: The Next Generation, 6:00p	25	26	27
28	29 - Truth & Rec. Chapel (wear orange) - Home & School Mtg, 6:30p	30 No School Day for Truth & Reconciliation	Oct 1 AEA College Fair, 4pm	Oct 2	Oct 3	Oct 4