



PANTHERS' POST

OCTOBER 2025

September was the launch of another exciting school year! We closed the month with 114 students, 22 staff members, 16 core class offerings, 13 option classes, and plenty of energy. From volleyball and soccer start ups to field trips, outdoor education adventures, senior lock-in, vespers, Bible studies, Culture Club, Campus Ministries, and more, the hustle and bustle is well underway, and we don't expect it to slow down anytime soon. We are grateful for such a strong start and look forward to seeing how God continues to bless our learning community with opportunities to connect and grow together.

A heartfelt thank you to Home & School Association for hosting the Welcome Back BBQ. The event successfully achieved its goal of building connections, and we are especially grateful to our Home & School Leader, Julie Hollsworth, for coordinating this effort. Parents, Home & School is one of the best ways to be involved in our school community. Research consistently shows that when parents participate in their child's educational journey, student engagement and success increase. Remember: If it's important to you – it's important to them!

At Parent Info Night, we shared some exciting news – PAA will be expanding its footprint in the coming years! Our focus is on broadening practical skills and STEM education programs to better equip our students for post-secondary success. Planned additions include: a state-of-the-art workshop, a modern STEM lab, a fully functional amphitheatre, practical, well-equipped science labs, and innovative agricultural opportunities.

As we move forward, we ask for your continued prayers for:

- Our students, parents, staff, and community;
- Positive experiences and growth;
- God's will to unfold in His timing;
- The leadership of PAA and the AB Conference.
- Patience and trust in the process of change;
- Strong programming, health, and wellness;
- Transformed hearts and relationships;

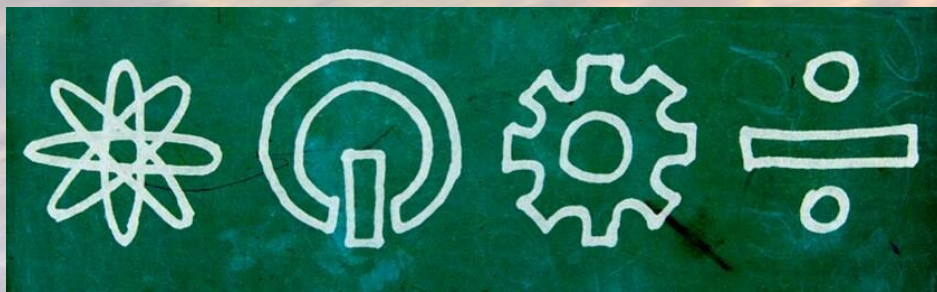
"May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26

Have a wonderful month filled with thanksgivings and joy!

Can you guess what this image stands for?

Blessings, everyone!

Mr. Dani Desjardins - PAA Principal



Campus Ministries Newsletter



Woohoo! You have made it to October!

Wow!

We have made it through a month of school already and I don't know how.

Your children, our students, are truly amazing. I am truly in awe of their kindness, their work ethic and their willingness to serve. I am truly looking forward to growing with them.

In September, we have settled in and started our journey through the book of Joshua for our chapels each week. It has also been fun to see our students share what each verse means to them in small groups and to their class. Our chapels have also been filled with music, laughter, discussions and prayer. Coming together at the beginning of the week truly sets the tone for the rest of the week.

So far, we are learning that Joshua has not been called to be a solo leader by leading himself. Instead, he has been called to lead other people, through his obedience to God. God makes a promise to Joshua, to be with him as He was

with Moses. May we also find a way to lean into God's promise to walk with us and give us victory!

In the month of October, we will have our first constituent visit to EPIC Church in Red Deer. One of the aspects of our visits that I am most excited about is having our students preach at the various churches. The Gospel is alive and well in the lives of our students, which fills me with an anticipation for the messages that they will share.

In addition to this visit, we will continue to have weekly Bible Studies and vespers programs *aside from the dates under "no programming"*. I am grateful for the opportunity that I have to walk with our children as we all take steps each day to deepen our relationships with God.

As we start a new month, may we answer God and say that **"we will do whatever you command us, and we will go wherever you send us"** just as the people promised their new leader Joshua.

Upcoming Dates

Bible Study
October 2

Bible Study
October 16

Vespers
October 17

EPIC Church Visit
October 18

Bible Study
October 23

Vespers
October 24

Bible Study
October 30

Vespers
October 31

No Programming
Oct 3, 9, 10,

Pastor Dee

Mental Health Corner

There comes a time for all of us when we need help. We were made to exist within communities where we can both give support to and receive support from those around us.



This month, each grade spent time exploring resources available from Kid's Help Phone. I encouraged students that the resources and tools we explore during our time together, and the hope and strength we find in our faith, are not just for ourselves. **These things are meant to be shared to encourage others too!** Which is why each student has the Kid's Help Phone number added as a contact in their phone - for now or for later, for themselves or someone they connect with who could benefit from additional mental health support.

In their own words, here's some of what's available at kidshelpphone.ca.

Mental Health Tips and Info

With Kids Help Phone's web resources, young people can get information about how their thoughts, feelings and behaviours are connected and what they can do to care for their well-being.

Crisis Support

If young people need help right now, they can text a trained, volunteer crisis responder at Kids Help Phone about anything they're going through. No issue is too big or too small.

Professional Counselling

Young people can work with a **professional counsellor** at Kids Help Phone over the phone or through online chat to better understand what they're going through.

There's a section on their site for "Resources for Caring Adults" (under the "Programs and Resources" tab). I'd encourage you to do some exploring of your own - for now or for later, for you and your family, or for someone you come in contact with who could benefit from additional mental health support.

Let's invest in growing as a community to better be able to provide and receive support from each other!

Till next month,

Kayla Whitworth
Learning Support Teacher

KidshelpPhone.ca – 1.800.668.585.0455 (adults) / 1.888.668.6810 (youth) or Text 6868 / Text CONNECT to 686868 - 24/7 support

What's up PAA?

Important Dates

- Oct 7 - Canadian Christian University Tour, 4:15pm
- Oct 9 - No School, PD Day
- Oct 10 & 13 - No School, Thanksgiving Break
- Oct 25 - Game Night, 6:00pm

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 next monthly meeting is Monday, Oct 27 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?



CANADIAN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY TOUR

**GROUNDING IN FAITH.
EQUIPPED FOR LIFE.**

**CONNECT WITH
REPRESENTATIVES FROM
CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITIES ACROSS
CANADA.**

**EXPLORE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS
AND LEARN ABOUT WHAT THEIR
CAMPUS HAS TO OFFER YOU!**

**FAITH. LEARNING. PURPOSE.
FIND YOUR PATH HERE.**

INSTITUTIONS IN ATTENDANCE:

- ✓ AMBROSE UNIVERSITY (CALGARY, AB)
- ✓ BRIERCREST COLLEGE (CARONPORT, SK)
- ✓ BURMAN UNIVERSITY (LACOMBE, AB)
- ✓ CANADIAN BAPTIST COLLEGE (COCHRANE, AB)
- ✓ CANADIAN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY (WINNIPEG, MB)
- ✓ CRANDALL UNIVERSITY (MONCTON, NB)
- ✓ PRAIRIE COLLEGE (THREE HILLS, AB)
- ✓ PROVIDENCE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (OTTERBURNE, MB)
- ✓ REDEEMER UNIVERSITY (ANCASTER, ON)
- ✓ THE KING'S UNIVERSITY (EDMONTON, AB)
- ✓ TRINITY WESTERN UNIVERSITY (LANGLEY TWP, BC)



**LOCATION:
PARKVIEW ADVENTIST
ACADEMY**



**DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2025
TIME: 4:15-5:30PM**

What's up PAA?

PD Days for 2025-2026

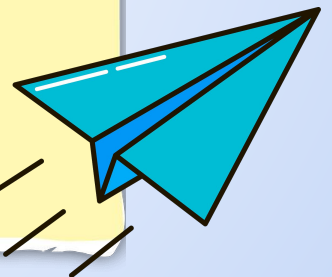
Professional Development Days are generally once per month.
School will be closed for staff meetings or conventions.

October 9 - No School
November 7 - No School
December 5 - No School
January 5 - No School
January 28 - No School
February 13 - No School
March 6 - No School
April 10 - No School
May 1 - No School
June 5 - No School



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 Denniala 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?

DOOR SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday:

8:00am - 4:00pm

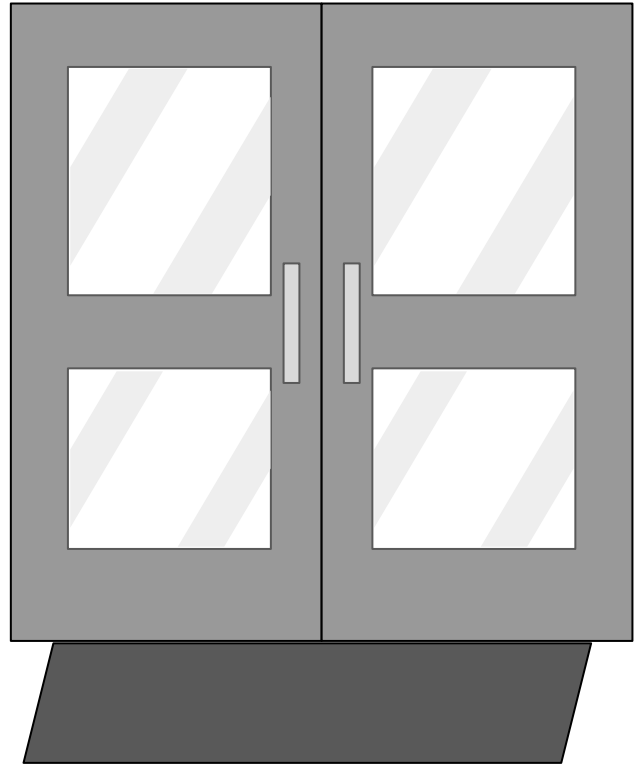
Friday: 8:00am - 1:00pm

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!

What's up PAA?



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.**

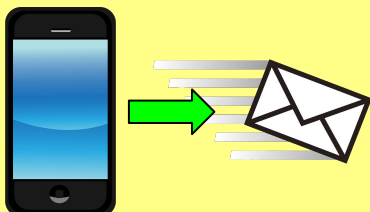


Parents: Report Absences

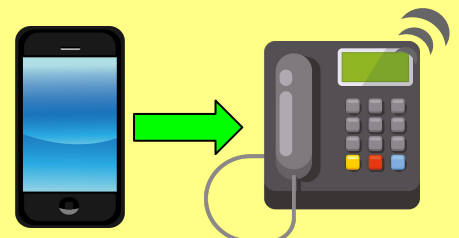
Part of our role at PAA is to ensure the safety of all our students and knowing where students are throughout the day.

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?



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

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	 Chapel	7 Canadian Christian Uni. Tour, 4:15p	8	9 No School, PD Day	10 No School, Thanksgiving Break	11
12	13  No School, Thanksgiving Day	14  Chapel School Board Meeting, 6:30p	15	16	17  Popcorn Friday	18  PAA @ EPIC Church
Walla W.				 CASA Jr. Football Trip		
19	20  Chapel	21	22	23	24	25 Game Night, 6-8pm
CASA Jr.						
26	27  Chapel Home & School Mtg, 6:30p	28	29	30	31	Nov 1