

PANTHERS' POST

Nov. 3rd, 2022

I have been reading a book lately called "Spirit-Filled Coworkers of Jesus" by Helmut Haubeil. In his book, the power of surrender to Jesus and of being filled with the Holy Spirit are two themes that continue to resurface. We learn that we can dream big and accomplish big through actively building our relationship with God through prayer and through the infilling of the Holy Spirit. Being intentional about this and by partnering with others that have a foundation in Jesus anything is possible. Therefore, I implore you to continue to pray, continue to bring our staff and students to the throne of Jesus, continue to be filled by the Holy Spirit. There is nothing better and more rewarding than these things! As we continue through the month of November, pause and pray!

Blessings,

Mr. Dani Desjardins PAA Principal

11 NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE DAY

Lest we forget



Attendance Reminder

To help our school keep track of student attendance, we are requesting your assistance by contacting the school office at (587) 815-8800 or emailing us at <u>office@paa.ca</u> to inform us of the reason your child may be absent or late. Please bear with us as we navigate a new attendance system that is intended to notify parents and guardians of unexcused absences. You will now be notified by text and/or phone call should your child be absent. Any unreported absences with be noted as unexcused.

Attendance Policy

A basic yet fundamental way to make a difference in your academic success is to make sure that you attend school regularly and on time. The long term impact of truancy, absences, or lates is significant and has the potential to result in dreams being crushed after high school completion. Therefore, at PAA we want to avoid that and make sure that all of our students attend school regularly and punctually. Section 31 of the Education Act states that the "student shall attend school regularly and punctually". To this end, PAA has developed these guidelines to support our students' attendance.

Note that the use of the word "absence" in this policy primarily refers to unexcused absences.

- 1. <u>Attend your classes.</u> This is for your benefit first and foremost.
- 2. <u>Beat the bell</u>. Being punctual is a healthy habit to develop not just now, but for the future.
 - a. If you're late, please notify the office to pick up a late slip before coming to class.
 - b. Anything unexcused over 20 minutes will result as an unexcused absence.
- 3. <u>Frequent absences will be monitored and will result in appropriate consequences.</u>
 - a. Regular absences The classroom teacher will email the student, their parents and the school administration expressing their concerns.
 - b. Non-compliance after communication the school principal will make a phone call to parents and discuss the impact in learning this has on their child.
 - c. Chronic absenteeism will result in a parent, student and principal meeting.
 - i. An attendance contract and follow-up consequences will be put in place and signed by all parties involved.
- 4. <u>There is a no-tolerance policy for unexcused absences.</u> If you are part of any extracurricular activities, including Athletics, unexcused absences can result in a suspension of these activities for the day or longer. If you skip school, you will also have to skip practices and games.
- 5. <u>Bathroom breaks, no problem! 20 minutes bathroom breaks not ok!</u> Please be mindful of your time away from the classroom. Time away from the classroom is content missed which has a direct impact on your overall learning.

In order to communicate with parents and guardians of a student's attendance pattern an automated communication messaging service has been implemented with the purpose to notify parents by text-message and phone call of all unexcused absences.

To ensure the well-being of all our students, our staff will strive to rectify chronic absenteeism before it begins to affect students in a negative way.

FEATURED STAFF MEMBER

Hello,

My name is Martha Becker and I began as the Office Manager/Registrar at PAA in August. You may recognize my name from the emails you've been receiving from the office. I'm thoroughly enjoying my new position and I welcome seeing our students every day. I have been in administrative positions for the past 15 years and I appreciate the diversity of tasks this field can bring.

Outside of work, I am busy with my family; my husband Ben and I have three boys, ages 5, 8, and 12. I enjoy baking, doing a variety of crafts, and laughing. I love to hear or see a good joke or meme.

I look forward to continue interacting and communicating with both our PAA families as the year progresses. Mrs. Martha Becker







What's up PAA?

November Friday Rotations November 4th - Schedule A November 11th - No School November 18th - Schedule B November 25th - Schedule C



Remembrance Day Service

Our students will participate in a Remembrance Day Service at the school Monday, Nov. 7th @ 8:15. We will begin right away and we are asking our students to please wear a poppy to school that day to honour our veterans.



PURDYS CHOCOLATES

The PAA Home & School Association is hosting a Christmas fundraiser and we need YOUR help! We are hoping to raise \$2000 to support PAA's Home & School programs this year.

From now until **November 23, 2022**, you can order Purdys treats from our fundraiser by joining our campaign and browsing the selection online. These make great stocking stuffers or gifts for family, friends, neighbours, AND yourself in one convenient place.

After all the orders are submitted, we'll sort, them and let you know when you can collect your goodies.

Follow these steps to place an order and share them with your friends and family:

- 1. Our campaign number: 64913
- 2. Go to our fundraising website: https://fundraising.purdys.com/1584420-99929
- 3. Click "Join Campaign"
- 4. Shop away!

Thank you EVERYONE for your support. Even if you can't buy chocolates from us, it would mean the world if you could share this fundraiser link with your friends and family!

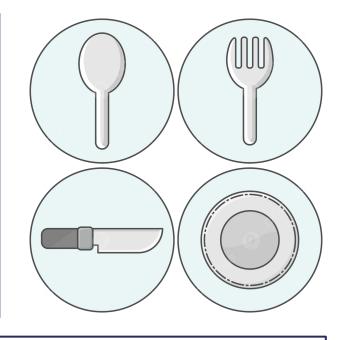
God's richest blessings, YOUR Home & School Association Team

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CHOCOLATIER

What's up PAA?

Spoons, forks, and bowls PAA will no longer be purchasing and distributing spoons, forks and bowls to our students for their lunches. It is your child's responsibility to come to school prepared. Packing their dishes and cutlery is part of that planning. We are also finding these items left on tables, counters, and floors which is adding additional work for our custodians.



DID YOU KNOW THAT THERE'S AN APP TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR CHILD'S MARKS? DOWNLOAD IT THROUGH YOUR ANDROID OR APPLE APP STORE.



Going on a vacation?

The best family memories are made when going on vacation with our families. Although this is fun and engaging for parents and children alike, it can disrupt learning and academic growth for our students. We are asking that you refrain from pulling your children from school for long periods of time if possible. That being said, we do understand that sometimes it is not possible and that going outside of our calendar breaks has to happen. Please understand that this can be very disruptive to your child and that attendance has a direct impact on student learning. Our teachers prepare their lessons keeping in mind that some students will be away. However, they are not expected to plan for and prepare in surplus additional work for students that are going on a vacation during school days. Please note that all of our students have access to Schoology (a learning platform) and that they can access their teacher's assignment through that portal with any stable internet connection. Should your child have any question pertaining to a specific assignment on Schoology, have them communicate with their classroom teachers and teachers will respond as soon as they can. Thank you for your ongoing communication with the school. Have a great time wherever you go and whenever that may be!

Chaplain's Corner

Hi PAA Family,

This year at PAA, we are exploring the theme "Come & See." This invitation is repeated so many times in the Gospels by Jesus himself and many who come in contact with Him. We have been exploring these eye witness testimonies by spending time in the book of John and planting ourselves in the narrative so that by beholding Jesus, we too might be more inclined to accept His life-changing invitation. We have had the joy of having Pastor Lyle Notice, Pastor Jordane Smith and Myla Trenchuk participate in our week of prayer and chapels so far, and we look forward to even more support from our pastors and parents.

Campus Ministries and Constituent Church Visits

I want to say a big thank you to our Campus Ministries team who have been committed to leading our school in our efforts to strengthen our relationships with Jesus and each other. Our praise bands who function as an arm of Campus Ministries have been leading worship, not just at weekly Chapels, but also at our monthly constituent church visits. Last month, we visited Epic Church, and we had an amazing time. On November 26 at 11AM, we will be leading the church service at Red Deer SDA Church, and you are all invited to attend.

Mission Trip Concert and Silent Auction

On November 20th at 4PM, we will be hosting a concert and silent auction to fundraise for our Kenya Mission Trip. Naomi Batiancila, vocalist and concert pianist, is our featured performer and Caleb Crombie's phenomenal art will be on auction that afternoon. Please come prepared to bid on these stunning works of art and enjoy an afternoon of beautiful music.

Mission Trip Update

School-wide Fundraising

We are fundraising as a school to build classrooms in Kenya. Please note that students do not need to be going on the rip to participate in fundraising. So even if a student has no intention of going on the trip, they are invited to assist us with fundraising.

Participants' Payment Timeline:

The total cost of the trip is \$3800, and this includes the total cost of building one classroom, plane tickets, food, local transport, and hotel accommodations.

Dec 5 - We will purchase our plane tickets together. This will be an approximate cost of \$1500. Prices are constantly changing. So we need to do this early.

Dec 15 - Ground Deposit of **\$300** (non-refundable) *Jan 15* - **\$1000**

Feb 15 - remaining \$1000

Ways to Fundraise

Letter Writing Campaign - I have written a template that students can personalize and send to family, friends and supporters to seek their assistance in raising the \$3800 needed for the trip. See template here.

Hot Lunches - Students who assist with preparing hot lunches on Taco Tuesdays will have a share of the profits contributed to their mission trip goal amount.

PAA Helpers - We will advertise this initiative in the College Heights church bulletin. If a student is willing to assist members of our community with tasks in their yards or homes, please see Pastor Romando so they can be added to the bank of PAA Helpers. Community members who request help will contribute to the student's fundraising goals.

College Heights Mission Trip Fund - Students who write a letter to the College Heights SDA Church requesting assistance with their fundraising efforts will receive \$100 toward their fundraising goals.

I am really excited about this trip and I look forward to working with you to make it happen. Thank you for being a supportive member of our PAA Family!

Blessings, Pastor Romando

Athletics' Corner

"Whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." 1 Cor 10:31

We can, and do give glory to God by representing His character of love and compassion to those around us. It has been a blessing to be a part of Panther athletics this year. I can truly say the character of Christ has been shown to me through our student body. Whether that be the simple greetings in the hall, the well spoken politeness, or positive uplifting energy of our athletes. Volleyball season is coming to an end with playoffs starting next week. First playoff game is November 7th here at PAA. Come out and support our boys volleyball team. Students if you have not yet gotten a Panthers shirt do so and wear it on the 7th in support. Parents and fans I will be selling Panther shirts at the game for \$15 dollars so you can wear them in support of our team. Our boys team played a volleyball game last week against some parents and Burman staff. Although the average age of the parents team was... well it's probably best not to say, they ended up winning. Our boys team took it to the fifth set and lost 14 to 16. Close game for sure. I was told that it doesn't matter how old they are you can't beat smart. Well I guess we will see what happens in the rematch. Basketball tryouts for the boys are on November 1st at 6:30pm and for the girls November 3rd at 4pm. Also, there are three basketball clinics that PAA students are welcome to join. This year CHCS is hosting three basketball clinics for only \$25. Basketball clinics are focused on building a specific skill. In light of my play just the other day with a few of you I plan to attend the shooting clinic. Clinic dates are as follows: Nov 13th -Clinic #1 Dribbling & Shooting, Nov 20th- Clinic #2 Man to man Defense, and Nov 27th- Clinic #3 Offensive Approach. One last thing. If you have though man it would be nice to buy some school spirit swag, your in luck. We are working on developing an easy way for you to purchase school swag. Stay tuned for more details on this.

Health Challenge: Get at least eight hours of sleep each night by going to bed early for a week and see how you feel.

"Early to bed, early to rise, makes you healthy, wealthy, and wise".



Paying: School Tuition, Fees, and Hot Lunches

Go to

https://albertasdaedu.powerschool.com/public/home.html to pay tuition, school fees, and buy hot lunches online.

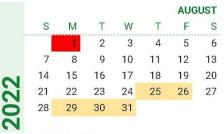
The office sent an email on or around Oct. 12 with information on how you can access PowerSchool and Rycor.

In PowerSchool you can view your child's grades and attendance.

To pay for school fees, click "Pay School Fees" in your PowerSchool account (on the bottom left side) and it will open Rycor, where you can make payments and order hot lunches.

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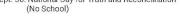
2022-2023 Parkview Adventist Academy Calendar



Aug. 1: Heritage Day Aug. 25-31: Pre School Days



Sept. 1: First Day of School Sept. 5: Labour Day (No School) Sept. 19-23: Fall Week of Prayer Sept. 30: National Day for Truth and Reconcilliation

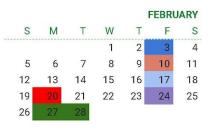




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Dec. 19- 30: Winter Break (No School) Dec. 25: Christmas Day Dec. 26: Boxing Day



Feb. 17: AISCA Teacher Convention (No School) Feb. 20: Family Day (No School) Feb. 27-28: Spring Week of Prayer

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May 29 - Jun. 1: Outdoor School Gr. 5-6 Jun. 16: Last Day of Semester 2 Jun. 19-23: Exam Week Jun. 28-29: Graduation Ceremonies

Jun. 26-30: Post School Days



Friday Schedule B

Semester start or resumes



Oct. 3: AEA College Fair (9:30-10:30) Oct. 7: No school

Oct. 10: Thanksgiving Day (No School)

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Jan. 1: New Year's Day Jan. 2: New Year's Day Observed (No School) Jan. 3: Resume Classes Jan. 20: Last Day of Semester 1 Jan 23-27: Exam Week Jan. 30: Semester Break (No School) Jan. 31: First Day of Semester 2

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Apr. 7: Good Friday (No School) Apr. 10: Easter Monday (No School)

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Jul. 1: Canada Dav

Jul. 2: Canada Day Observed

Jul. 14-22: Alberta Conference Campmeeting (Tentative)





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
	Communication Week									
		- Basketball Tryouts - School Board Meeting @ 6:30	- Boys Basketball practice (4:00-6:30)		- Core Schedule A - Grad Photos - Boys Basketball Practice @ 3:00					
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6	-Boys Volleyball Playoff Game @ 6:00pm - Remembrance Day Service 7	8	-Boys Volleyball Playoff Game @ 6:00pm	10	REMEMBRANCE PACTOR - Remembrance Day (No School) 11	12				
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13	14	15	16	17	- Core Schedule B - Drumheller Science Trip (Gone All Day) 18	19				
Mission Trip Concert and Silent Auction @ 4:00pm					- Core Schedule C	Constituency Visit (Red Deer Church)				
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Epic Church Red Deer 5301 50 Ave, Red Deer