



# Mustang Memo



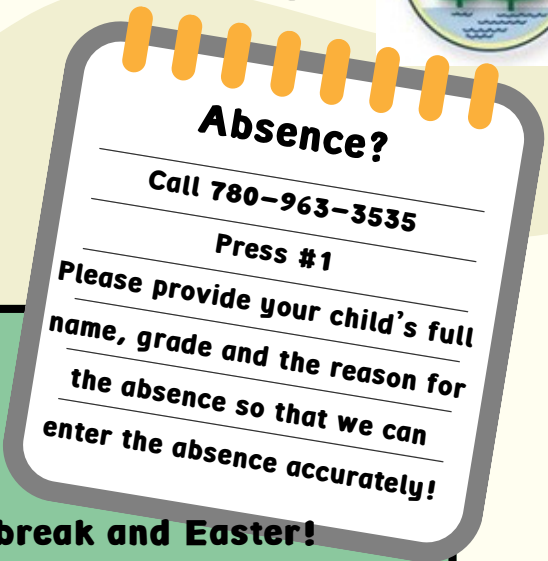
March 22 , 2024

## Today's Top Stories



We hope you all have a wonderful spring break and Easter!

We would like to apologize for the emails we sent regarding school fees! This was sent to more people than we intended. If your school fees are at \$0 please disregard. Sorry for the confusion.



Fundraising for the park is ongoing, contact [muirlakefoundation@gmail.com](mailto:muirlakefoundation@gmail.com) for more information!

Click the link to read our newest edition of our School Newspaper Mustang Newspaper





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## Important Dates

**Spring Break –**

**March 25–30!**

**Spring Photos –**

**April 10–11th**

**School Council –**

**April 24th**

# APRIL

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Staff parking lot and handicap parking ONLY. For safety concerns and our limited spaces do not drive through or park here.

# School Drop Off and

# Pick up



This is the drop off lane

2 lanes closest to the school are bus lanes



When dropping children off at the school we kindly ask you to be **considerate** of everyone's safety. For safety concerns we ask that when dropping your children off at school, parents either park at the hall for drop off, or use the drop off lane. We realize that it is a busy place in the morning and we ask for your patience. The staff parking lot is not supervised for drop off and the parking spaces are limited.. The staff parking lot is not supervised for drop off and the parking spaces are limited. Please do not use this area.

## IN PARKLAND SCHOOL DIVISION **ATTENDANCE MATTERS!**

In PSD, we help support families who need help getting their child(ren) to school. We know there are many factors that affect attendance:

- Parents' work schedule
- Transportation
- Family events
- Appointments

Often families don't realize how much school their child is missing and the impact that has on everyone. They are more behind than you think.

**1 DAY MISSED = 2 DAYS BEHIND**



### 19 or more days

Missing just **TWO** days every month can add up to **19** days in a school year. This is the equivalent of missing an **ENTIRE MONTH** of instructional days.



### 10 to 18 days

Students who are absent an average of 15 days per year miss **1 YEAR'S WORTH** of school by their graduating year.



### 9 or fewer absences

Students with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more.



Learn SOMETHING - new - EVERYDAY

# WINTER WALK

LET'S GO ADVENTURE



What's Going on Around the School??

ADVENTURE awaits

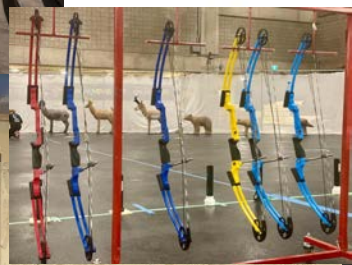


School Spirit

archery  
teamwork success accuracy energy fun target strategy  
shooting health training



FUN



Teamwork

field trip



SAY cheese



friends



# REGISTRATION

If you haven't already done so, it's time to register for the next school year! That includes busing if you need it. Registering **before the Friday March 22nd** deadline will help us immensely in planning for next year both at our school and at the PSD Transportation department. Work is currently underway building bus routes for next year already.

Any applications received after the application deadline may not be processed in time for the first day of school. If your child does not have a valid bus pass for the 2024–2025 school year, they will not be able to ride the bus.

How do I get started?

Visit <https://powerschool.psd.ca/public/> and log into your parent account. Once inside the Parent Portal:

Select your child's name in the blue bar at the top of the screen.

Select the RSVP icon on the left side of the screen.

Begin reviewing all of your current Student Information we have on file, and follow the instructions on the screen to navigate through the various tabs in the form (Student Info, Address, Contacts, Medical, etc.).

I can't remember my login for the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

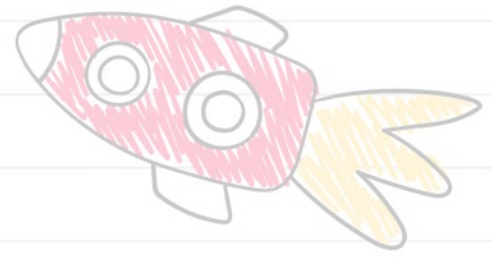
If you aren't able to retrieve your login credentials using the "Forgot Username or Password?" link on the sign-in page, please contact the school directly for assistance logging in to the Parent Portal.

## **Division News**

### **Registration for 2024–2025 opens February 12**

Parkland School Division's annual online registration/verification process opens Monday, February 12, 2024. All Pre–Kindergarten to Grade 12 registrations for both new and returning students will be conducted online for the 2024–2025 school year. Click the link above for more information

### **April– Stronger Together Newsletter**



**We are excited to announce Muir Lake – Before and After  
School Care is OPEN.**

**6:30AM–8:00AM**

**2:35PM–6:00PM**

**Kindergarten non-school days NOT included.**

**\$550/Month includes PD Days, Spring Break, Fall Break**

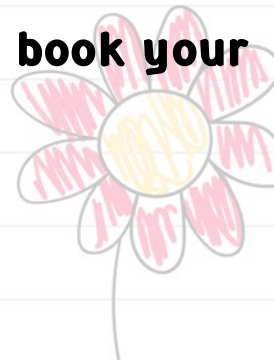
**\$425/3 day Kindergarten**

**CLOSED for the Summer**

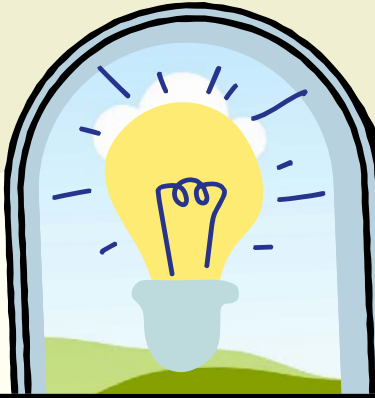
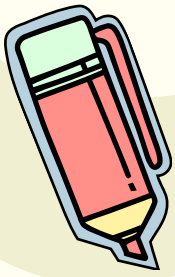
**\*\*\*OPEN HOUSE Thursday, February 15th from 6:00PM –  
7:00PM\*\*\***

**Please call (825)977-6607 for more information or to book your  
tour today.**

**Email: [muirlakeosc@gmail.com](mailto:muirlakeosc@gmail.com)**







## General Information



**Parking at School Safely:** If you are driving your child to school, then we respectfully ask that you drop them off in either the Muir Lake Hall parking lot or use the drop off lane and let them out at the NORTH and SOUTH end of the parking lot so that they can use the crosswalk which is monitored by the staff. For the safety of everyone, we remind everyone that there is to be absolutely NO PARKING on the side of the highway. Please do not use the staff parking lot for drop off, the parking lot can get VERY busy, so we appreciate your patience as our top priority is to keep all of our students and staff safe.

**Visiting the School:** Last year we had new security doors installed in the front entrance. This allows us to leave our front door unlocked. If you are at the school for any reason, please check in at the office. Morning Supervision: Staff will begin supervision at 7:45am so we respectfully request that you do not drop your children off until after this time. Students will remain outside until the bell rings at 8:00am, then at this time they will make their way to the classroom through their designated doors. If they arrive ANY time after 8:10am they are required to go to the office through the front door to obtain a late slip.

**Attendance Calls:** If your child(ren) is not in attendance, please be sure to either call (780) 963-3535 and press 1 to access the attendance mailbox OR email the office at [MuirLake@psd.ca](mailto:MuirLake@psd.ca), stating when and why your child will be away. If the office does not know why students are away then the fan-out message will automatically go out as they will be marked as absent with an unknown reason.

**School Fees:** Statements for the 2023 2024 school year fees will be going out via email soon, if you do not receive it then check your junk mail or let the office know. Upon receipt, fees can be paid online by debit or credit card through our PowerSchool Parent Portal at <https://powerschool.psd.ca/public> or by cash or cheque payable to Parkland School Division (PSD). If for some reason you are unable to pay the fees right away arrangements may be made by calling Andy Fuñe at 780- 963-3535.

**Fair Notice** – Violent Threat Risk Assessment: The goal of Violence/Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) process is that every incident of youth violence in our communities be addressed. VTRA is early intervention – which is quite possibly prevention. The process is initiated and managed by school administrators who have received VTRA training from the Center for Trauma Informed Practices. For more information, please visit our PSD website and read the news article [LINKED HERE](#).



# Food Programs

**Food for Thought:** We all know that children learn better on a full tummy. We have a cooler inside our office that will be stocked with healthy snacks and food for the students. They will be able to access it at any time during the day and out of consideration to everyone's privacy, staff will not be monitoring who uses it.

**\*\*In keeping with Parkland School Division's commitment to student success and well-being, we are once again working to promote healthy eating and create a positive food environment for all students.**

**We would like to acknowledge the President's Choice Children's Charity Power Full Kids program in providing support for food security at Muir Lake for the 2023 – 2024 school year.\*\***

**Breakfast Club – We have started our Breakfast Club for the year and it is busy! Breakfast club is for everyone! We know that mornings can be busy. Every morning starting at 7:45 till 8:10 our kitchen is serving up toast and other healthy options. We are always looking for more volunteers to help the program run smoothly. Reach out if you are available during these times to help out at [christine.ellert@psd.ca](mailto:christine.ellert@psd.ca).**

**Lunch Program is Back!! Bite to Eat is excited to begin another year of hot lunch service to Muir Lake students. Deliveries will again be on Mondays & Thursdays.**

## HOT LUNCH MONTH

### PAYMENT DUE DATE

December 2023 – November 24, 2023

January 2024 – January 4, 2024

February 2024 – January 24, 2024

March 2023 – February 23, 2024

April 2024 – March 27, 2024

May 2024 – April 24, 2024

June 2024 – May 29, 2024