



Mustang Memo



August 2024

Today's Top
Stories



Absence?
Call 780-963-3535
Press #1
Please provide your child's full
name, grade and the reason for
the absence so that we can
enter the absence accurately!

BACK TO SCHOOL

August 28th

Write-On Stationary Supply Orders are in!

If you ordered your school supplies through Write-On Stationary, you will be able to pick them up in the kitchen at the school

Friday, August 23rd between 1:30 – 3:00

Monday, August 26th between 8:00 – 3:00

Tuesday, August 27th 1:00 – 3:00



First day of School



On the first day of school students will come to school as normal! On the bus or dropped off. Please send your child on the bus if you are able to as our parking lot is very busy, especially these first few days of school. For safety issues do not park on the side of the highway! Our staff parking is also very busy and only to be used for staff as we have limited spots, with the exception of our accessible parking.

When the kids get off the bus they will stop to chat with any of our school staff. All of our staff will all be outside and wearing a supervision vest. We will then tell the students who their teacher is and where to find them.

Grades **K-4** will be by the little park by the hall and grades **5-9** will be by the basketball court.

Students will then find their teachers and hang out outside with their class until the bell rings at 7:55. The class will then be showed the door they will use, where to put their shoes, and then head to the classroom!





Mobile Devices in School

In June of last year the Minister of Education announced new standards regarding the use of personal mobile devices during instructional time. The standards will take effect the beginning of this school year.

A brief news release can be found [here](#) and you can read the full Ministerial Order [here](#)
[Standards for the Use of Personal Mobile Devices and Social Media in Schools](#)





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.

Please do not park on the highway.

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Important Dates - September

August 19th - Office Opens

1st day of school August 28th!

Write-On Stationary- available for pickup at the school see above for times

Mustang Kick Off Wednesday, Sept. 11 4:30-6:30 - Come meet your children's new teachers and enjoy a hot dog supper!

Muir Lake Foundation AGM

September 17th at 7:00pm

at Muir Lake School

We welcome and invite everyone interested in learning more about The Muir Lake Foundation or in joining the board to come join us.



Muir Lake Out of School Care

6:30AM–8:00AM

2:35PM–6:00PM

Kindergarten non–school days NOT included.

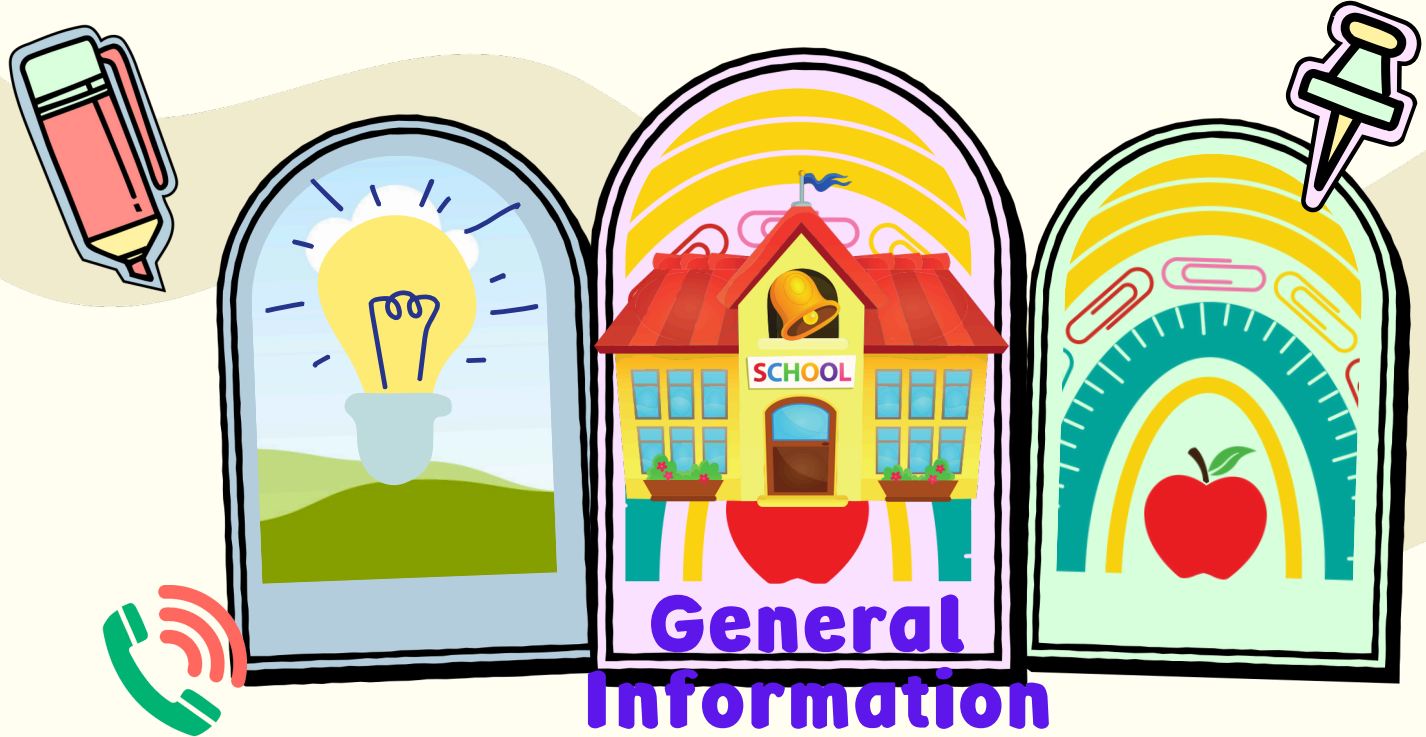
\$550/Month includes PD Days, Spring Break, Fall Break

\$425/3 day Kindergarten

CLOSED for the Summer

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

Email: muirlakeosc@gmail.com



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, 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.

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**

May 2024 – April 24, 2024

June 2024 – May 29, 2024