

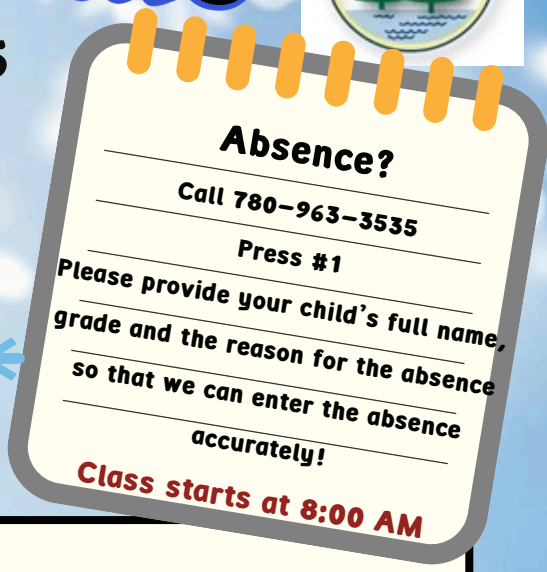


# Mustang Memo



January 10 , 2025

## Today's Top Stories



**Report Cards & Parent Portal Access:** Teachers are currently working on report cards so we have turned off the access to grades and comments at this time. You will not be able to access this information in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Report cards will be released online on Friday, January 31st, 2025 and you will be able to view them on the Parent Portal at that time. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

**School Fees:** School fees are now past due. Please log in to PowerSchool to see if you have a balance owing. Fees can be paid online by debit or credit card through our PowerSchool Parent Portal at <https://powerschool.psd.ca> 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 Fune at 780-963-3535.

**DUE**



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# HELLO January



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Year's Day Winter Break (no school)	2	3 Winter Break (no school)	4
5	6 First Day Back at School After Winter Break	7	8	9 Day 112:00 am	10	11
12	13	14 <b>Ski Club</b>	15	16 Day 112:00 am	17	18
19	20	21 <b>Ski Club</b> School Council Meeting 7:00 pm	22 Educational Assistants Appreciation Day	23	24	25
26	27	28 <b>Ski Club</b> Grade 9 Immunizations	29	30 Term 1 Ends (K-9)	31 Professional Development Day (no students attend) Report Cards Released	



**Check out these other Community Newsletters!**

**Weaving Indigenous Ways of Knowing**

**Parkland School Division December Stronger Together Newsletter**



# CASINO



**Coming Soon!**

Good Day,

Muir Lake School Foundation has been awarded a CASINO opportunity for March 18 & 19, 2025 at Century Casino in St. Albert. Casinos are our major source of funding for us and come around once every 2.5 – 3 years. With our playground build, we depleted our funds available to help with future projects. We are currently filling the following 26 positions (first come, first served):

**\*Banker \*Cashier**

**\*Cashier \*Chip Runner \*Count Room**

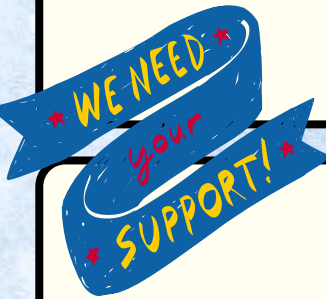
On top of helping Foundation to secure casino funds for future projects at our school, each volunteer shift will be awarded credits to use for Hot Lunch purchases. Daytime shifts are from 11 am – 7 pm and night shifts are from 6:45 pm – 2:15 am where you will earn \$75 per shift. Limited late night shifts 11:00 pm – 2:30 am are also available where you will earn \$50 per shift. Casino workers also receive food credits to be used during their shift. Please email [muirlakelunches@gmail.com](mailto:muirlakelunches@gmail.com) as soon as possible if you are interested in filling one or more shift opportunities

Or please see our Google Doc to sign up for a shift.

## Sign Up Sheet

\*\* Multiple family members are able to work for family credits, you may also fill multiple shifts as long as not on the same day \*\*

Thank you for helping us to fill these slots!  
Foundation Team



## MUIR LAKE'S FIRST EVER READ-A-THON **Read-A-Thon**



Read-A-Thons get your reader excited about reading and it gives friends and family the opportunity to encourage your child to read even more!

Our Read-A-Thon starts **Monday February 3, 2025**. Stay tuned for details!!

**NEXT MONTH**

**REGISTRATION**

### Online Registration/Verification for 2025–2026

The annual online registration/verification process **begins February 10, 2025**, and must be completed for all students (Pre-K to Grade-12). The registration/verification process is conducted exclusively online.

**Registration** is for **new PSD** students or returning Evergreen & private school students requiring busing.

**Verification** is for **returning** PSD students.

During the registration process, **you must select the 2025–2026** school year to register for the upcoming school year.

To ensure that their child receives a bus pass prior to the start of the next school year, parents are required to **complete registration by 4:30pm on Friday, March 28, 2025**. This deadline will facilitate the routing of buses, bus pass production and data verification before the summer break while schools are still operating.



# Kindergarten

2025 / 2026

## Information Night for Nature Kindergarten and Nature Enrichment

February 5th  
5:00 - 6:00

We will be having an information presentation about our nature programs. Children are welcome but this presentation is geared for parents.



## Kindergarten (regular)

### Open House

February 12th  
6:00pm - 7:00pm

Ms. LeDressay looks forward to meeting you and answering any questions! Come and experience the magic of learning and play. From creative activities to foundational educational experiences, your child will embark on a journey filled with curiosity and joy.



## Nature Kindergarten and Nature Enrichment Open House

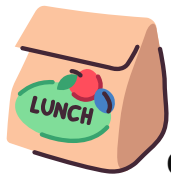
February 19th  
6:00pm - 7:00 pm

Come and experience what our Nature programs are all about! We look forward to meeting you!



## Lunch Program is Back!!

**Bite to Eat** is excited to begin another year of hot lunch service to Muir Lake students. Deliveries are on Mondays & Thursdays



Access code is **MLHL**

Click below to order. Instruction to sign up are on the link. Any questions or concerns please contact [info@bitetoeat.ca](mailto:info@bitetoeat.ca)

Order [Here!](#)



## 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](mailto:muirlakeosc@gmail.com)



**NEW!**

## Developing a Growth Mindset

This school year we are focusing on cultivating a Growth Mindset Culture in Muir Lake School. Adopting a growth mindset is not only essential in our life, it's critical. A person operating from a Growth Mindset perspective tends to have a desire to learn, dedicated to work hard, and discover new things. This often translates into academic achievements.

Guardians/parents/family members/ can have a significant impact on cultivating and developing a growth mindset in their children. The language we use, the actions we take, offering process praise, talking about the brain, accepting mistakes as learning opportunities, and understanding the role of emotions in learning are all practices that we can start today! The newsletter that we are going to share every month consists of strategies and resources to cultivate and develop a growth mindset in our children. Please feel free to use these resources to cultivate and maintain a growth mindset in your children. We are in this together!!

Sharmin Shabnam, School Councillor



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# 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:** 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 7:55 am, then at this time they will make their way to the classroom through their designated doors. If they arrive ANY time after 8:00 am 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 2024-2025 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 2024 - 2025 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 8:00 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).