



Mustang Memo



September 22, 2025

Today's Top Stories



Absence?
Enter on the Safe Arrival App!
Please provide the reason for the absence so that it is entered accurately!
Class starts at 8:00 AM

On the **first day of school** students will arrive 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 reasons we remind you to 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.

This year Class assignments will be visible in PowerSchool on Fri, Aug 29th

But as in previous years, we will have ALL of our staff waiting outside in supervision vests waiting to greet our students! When they get off the bus they can stop to chat with any of our school staff! We will then tell them 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 go as a group and showed the door they will use, where to put their shoes, and then head to the classroom!

Write-On Stationary Supply Orders

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

Tuesday, August 26th between 9:00am – 3:00pm

Wednesday, August 27th between 9:00am – 3:00pm

Thursday, August 28th 9:00am – 3:00pm

Friday, August 29th 1:00pm – 3:00 pm



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Click these links!**





WELCOME!



BACK
to
SCHOOL

Mustang Kick-Off

We invite all of our Muir Lake families to join us on September 10th from 4:30 pm to 4:50 for a quick visit to meet the teachers and visit our classrooms!

At 4:50 we will then move outside and enjoy a BBQ. We will be serving hot dogs, chips, juice and water outside!

This is a great opportunity to meet our school staff and other families in the community. Stop by the tables in the school's front entry to learn about School Council, Muir Lake Foundation (fundraising) as well as our Breakfast Club!



****NEW****

SAFEARRIVAL

ABSENCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



SafeArrival is an absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence.

Absences can be reported in advance:

- 24 hours/day
 - 7 days a week
- For any school day in the school term
Up to the cut-off time on the day of the absence (this may vary by school).

Whenever an absence is reported or updated, you will receive a confirmation notice by email and/or text message (assuming you have provided your contact information to the school).

If you don't report your child's absence in advance, the automated notification system will try to contact you (using your communication preferences if you have set them up in the SchoolMessenger Home app). This may include push notifications to the app, email, SMS text messages, or phone calls. You will be asked to provide the reason for your child's absence immediately. You may do so using the phone line, website or mobile app.

For more information click [HERE](#)



We Need Volunteers!!



Muir Lake Foundation

The Muir Lake Community School Fundraising Committee works with the school community to enhance the students experiences in school. We raise money by running the hot lunch program and casinos. Working closely with the School Council will help support ongoing projects in the school.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is for everyone! We know that mornings can be busy and often kids are coming to school with an empty stomach. 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 muirlake@psd.ca.



OPPORTUNITIES

- ✓ Breakfast Club
- ✓ School Council
- ✓ Muir Lake Foundation - Fundraising Committee







School Council

- A way to advise on school issues
- A chance to collaborate with the school - events and activities
- An opportunity to support meaningful parental involvement

<https://muirlake.psd.ca>

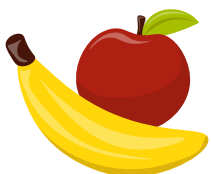
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14	15	16	17	18  Cross Country Race #2	19	20
21	22	23	24	25  Cross Country Race #3	26	27
28	29  Staff Planning & Development Day	30  National Day for Truth & Reconciliation				



**Breakfast Club
will start on
September 8th**



CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING

INFORMATION TO COME HOME WITH STUDENTS

Cross Country Race #1 September 11th

Time: 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Forest Green School is hosting and the site will be where the old Memorial Composite High School was located.

Cross Country Race #2 September 18th

Time: 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Location: Brookwood School

Woodhaven School is the host and the course will be the usual across the street at Brookwood School

Cross Country Race #3 September 25th

Time: 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Location: Entwistle School

Entwistle School is the host.





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, 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.**



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