

# March 2025

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### Principal's Message- BE WELL!

Welcome to March! It is a great time to assess your child's progress this year. With parent-teacher conferences and progress reports right around the corner, it is also a great time to revisit your home routines to ensure consistency with bedtime, nutritious meals, and rich conversations with a growth mindset.

More than ever, it is important to talk about how your child is doing, feeling about school, and progressing. Together, we will work to build their success. As spring approaches, here are a couple of items you might consider to encourage your child's success in/at school:

**Bedtime Routines and Nutrition:** It is easy to 'want' to stay up later at night and skip meals if we are excited to play outdoors. *Ensuring that bedtime routines and balanced nutrition add to your child's health is essential with daylight changing.* If you are looking for any information on parenting routines at home, please contact Mrs. Stacie Erion, our Family School Liaison Counselor, who has many helpful resources that can help!

**Physical Activity:** *Health and wellness are imperative to learning.* As the weather changes, please take the time to get outside and play. A family walk, park time, or visiting Bower Ponds - will add value to your child's physical strength and mental well-being. Research shows that time in nature and physical play will enhance our wellness and overall resilience. As part of our Comprehensive School Health Program, we host daily physical literacy classes with various activities in which your child can participate. This lays the foundation for daily learning, focus, and health during the school day. I invite you to do the same as a family. Make it a fun springtime goal!

**Digital Citizenship:** Regarding citizenship online, are you monitoring your child's time? Is this screen time affecting their in-person interactions with others? Remember, the balance between games and screens is best. Your child's brain is growing, and the quality of the information they are witnessing online and in popular games may be fun, yet, at the same time, it may affect their ability to focus, rest, learn, and engage in/on learning. In Alberta, we are required to teach our students about digital citizenship. All students need digital citizenship skills to participate fully in their communities and make smart and safe choices online.

**Thank you for attending parent-teacher conferences this spring.** We would like 100% of our families to participate on March 13th. You will receive a link to select a time for your conference, or a time that has already been scheduled will be provided! If something arises in your schedule and you want to reschedule, please contact your child's teacher directly.

Yours in Learning, Teresa Tataryn, Principal

# **SAFETY FIRST - IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Dedication to the safety of your child and other students is a priority of Fairview Elementary School. Due to ongoing concerns with parents/guardians not following City Bylaw Requirements of School and Playground Zones, we will be taking a firm approach to teaching and expecting improvement. I have instructed staff to use whistles and conversations to direct appropriate compliance with City Policy. If you have concerns, please make a direct appointment with me - but quickly comply with their request. We will be following these steps:

- Educate and Inform Families
- Encourage Students to learn 'rules' of the road and support family learning
- Increased supervision by Staff and compliance requested of families
- Bylaw officer will be invited to come and watch and fines will be issued
  - We will also be calling in the license plates of repeat offenders

We understand that families are in a hurry and that complying with our request requires a drop off plan that may include walking your child from a block or two away from your available parking spot. This is common for schools and often has a more significant impact at other schools. We will expect the following with no exceptions unless verified by the Principal:

- ★ **Do NOT** drive into or block the staff parking lot
- ★ Do NOT stop or let your child out of the car in the middle of the street; do NOT double park
- ★ Stay as close to the curb as you can so that vehicles can pass on your left
- ★ There should be **NO** parking within 5 meters of the crosswalk
- ★ USE the crosswalk and do **NOT** jaywalk (cross in the middle of the street)
  - There are two crosswalks the one closest to the school is supervised
- ★ **Do NOT** stop or park to let your children out within the designated Bus Only Zone even if there is no bus currently there
- ★ There should **NEVER** be a U-Turn within the school zone
- ★ Respect the speed limit in the school zone
- ★ Be familiar with the seatbelt and child seat laws of Red Deer

Thank you for your assistance in doing the right things for your family's and community's safety.

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# REPORT CARDS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE IN POWERSCHOOL

Your student's report card(s) will be available in PowerSchool on March 7, 2025. Please  $\underline{CLICK\ HERE}$  for instructions on how to view your child's report card.

■ Fairview Letter to Parents - report cards

#### March Parent-Teacher Conferences

We are so excited to be hosting our Parent-Teacher Conferences on Thursday, March 13th, from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm. A link will be sent later for you to book your conference time

Come celebrate your child's effort and growth and shop at our free clothing store! Stop by the library for any support. We look forward to seeing parents in person, as we share your child's academic & social progress. If you can not attend we do offer a telephone conference.



#### **ATTENDANCE**

If your child will be late or absent, **PLEASE CALL** 403-343-8780 and leave a message. Thank you.

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#### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME!

**Reminder!** Daylight Savings Time starts on Sunday, March 9, 2025, at 2:00 a.m. Clocks are turned forward one hour.

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### **HELMETS FOR WHEELS**

With Spring arriving shortly, please note: Fairview School has a rule that any student riding a bicycle, skateboard, scooter, or rollerblades <u>MUST</u> wear a helmet. Thank you for keeping our children safe.

#### **KINDERGARTEN**

Registration for Kindergarten is available online <u>HERE</u>. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Mrs. Richardson in the office at 403-343-8780 or <u>joan.richardson@rdpsd.ab.ca</u>
We will support you on the computer should a device not be available or difficult to use from home.

# FAMILY SCHOOL LIAISON COUNSELOR INFORMATION

Summer is around the corner, and as always, our local YMCA offers various summer day camps for kids. If you want to register your child, please see the link below. Additionally, there are subsidies available of up to 80% coverage of these camp fees - please call me at the school if you are interested in registering your child and applying for a subsidy. I will be able to assist you with this process.

## https://ymcanab.ca/programs/camps

To the days of sunshine ahead! Stacie Erion Family School Liaison Worker Fairview Elementary School 403-343-8780

# Mark Your Calendar

# MARCH

Monday, March 3 Friday, March 7 Thursday, March 13 Friday, March 14 Wednesday, March 19 Friday, March 21

Recognition Assembly @ 1:30 pm
Report Cards Available in PowerSchool
Parent/Teacher Conferences - No School
Staff Learning Day - No School
School Council @ 3:15 pm
World Down Syndrome Day - Rock Your Socks

# APRIL

Wednesday, April 2 Friday, April 4 Friday, April 18 Monday, April 18 Tuesday, April 23 - Friday, April 25 Wednesday, April 17 Recognition Assembly @ 9:30 am Staff Learning Day - No School Good Friday - No School Easter Monday - No School Spring Break - No School School Council @ 3:45 pm



# SPORTFIT GRADES 6-8 LOCATED AT CENTRAL MIDDLE, WESTPARK MIDDLE, EASTVIEW MIDDLE, & GATEWAY CHRISTIAN MULTISPORT ACTIVITIES 80+ ACTIVITIES PER YEAR HUGKEY GRADES 6-12 LOCATED AT EASTVIEW MIDDLE, HILLS AND LINDSAY THURBER PLAYER & GOALIE SPECIFIC TRAINING 80+ HOURS OF ON-ICE & OFF-ICE DEVELOPMENT

# Kindergarten at Red Deer Public Schools



It's an exciting time and a big step for children and their families. It's a time for learning and discovery, making new friends, preparing for success.

# We offer a variety of programs including:

- Half and full day options in English programming
  - French Immersion programming
    - Spanish bilingual programming
    - Kindergarten Academy of Discovery

Registration opens January 13







# Dental Outreach of Red Deer (DOoR)

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Free urgent dental treatment is available for children 5-18 years of age who are having difficulty accessing dental care. Services are provided at the Red Deer Johnstone Crossing Community Health Centre

For more information, please call 403-356-6302 and ask for the DOoR program.





# **CALLING KIDS OF ALL AGES!**

Do you have a child interested in trying the fastest sport on ice? Join us for "Come Try it!" Ages 4-16 are welcome for both ice times. Red Deer Rush coaches and players will show you what ringette is all about!

# REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:

- **✓** Skates
- W Helmet
- **✓** Gloves
- Ringette stick supplied

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# **RINGETTE PROVIDES:**

- SKILL DEVELOPMENT
- GAME STRATEGY
- **TEAM DYNAMICS**





To find more information and register, go to cometryringette.com, click here, or scan the

