

Eagle Butte Bulletin

October 2023 🍂

Happy Fall🍂! If your student or family is new to high school, the pace of a school year can be very surprising. There's already just a little over 3 months left of classes in this semester. This newsletter will keep you up to date with important dates and information and you can come back anytime - all newsletters and links stay live all year.

DON'T MISS:

🗓️ Last Couple of Days to Sign Up for Parent Teacher Interviews - details below

🌟 Donations of ANY cold-weather clothing items for The Women's Shelter by Thurs, Oct 5

🗓️ Mandatory Meeting Oct 12 @ Medicine Hat College for ALL Gr 12 Students & their Parent(s)/Guardian(s) followed by post-secondary information fair in the College's foyer

★Annual Awards Ceremony is October 27th 2pm @ EBHS

Building Bonds & Igniting Hearts in Our School Community

I hope this message finds you all in good health and anticipating a lovely Thanksgiving weekend ahead!



I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the incredible strength and potential that our school community holds. Our school has always thrived on the collaborative efforts of parents, teachers, students, and community members. When we work together, we create an environment that not only fosters academic growth but also nurtures the holistic development of our students.

One of the takeaways from the Parent Assurance Surveys from last year was that you want to see more opportunities for community engagement. I invite you all to actively participate,

share your ideas, and be part of the positive changes we can bring to our school. Here's some things we're excited about:

★ **Our NEW Community Service Group** would love to have your student join them. To start off the year, this group is collecting warm clothing items for the ***Medicine Hat Women's Shelter***. Please bring items such as mittens, gloves, toques, hats, jackets of any size to room 118 (Dr. Sotropa's room) by **Thursday, October 5**.

This group has also been awarded a ***Community Impact Grant*** from EDF Renewables. EBHS students together with Dunmore Community Association are organizing a program that connects seniors and students in learning. The money will help to provide supplies and materials needed to help create meaningful interactions.

★ Our Remembrance Day ceremony organized by our music students in conjunction with community members. ***Everyone is welcome*** to our Remembrance Day Ceremony which will be November 8th this year and is hosted in our gym. Please feel free to join us! Timing will be announced closer to the date.

Also, our music students from EBHS are already anticipating their participation in the ***Merry & Bright Festival*** hosted by the Dunmore Community Association and the ***Olde Tyme Christmas*** hosted by the Medicine Hat Stampede.

★ Our Information Pro and English Language Arts 10-2 worked with Imagination Alive from Medicine Hat at Masterpiece last year, visiting seniors and learning their stories. They are doing this again this year, and it was so successful that our Prairie Rose school division is working to grow this initiative across our schools with new plans and partnerships currently in the works.

★ Starting in November, EBHS begins collecting gifts for the ***Salvation Army Angel Tree***, which provides opportunity for families who need holiday assistance to have access to gifts for their children at Christmas.

I want to express my deep gratitude to all those who contribute to our school community, whether through volunteering, attending meetings, or supporting our initiatives. Your dedication does not go unnoticed, and I am excited to see the continued growth as we work towards creating community connections.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and let us embrace this new academic year with open hearts and a commitment to strengthening our wonderful school community.

Warm regards,

Rocheal Howes, Principal

Thank You to The Root Cellar

We are extremely grateful to The Root Cellar, who provide no-cost sandwiches and healthy snacks to our school every week for students in need. Thank you!



Parent Teacher Interviews are October 4th & 5th

If you're saying "Already?" as you read that parent-teacher interviews are this week - it's true! We have learned from experience that in high-school, we really need to be quick to intervene for any of our students who are struggling since our semester is only little more than four months.

All the information you need to know regarding how your student is doing in each of their classes can be found in PowerSchool - to set this up if you haven't already, call 403-528-1996 ext. 2004. If you have any questions about your student you need answered before booking or you discover that a teacher you hoped to meet with is fully booked, please reach out to the teacher directly to make a meeting time on another date. All staff can be contacted via email by clicking on their name on the listing found here: [Staff Directory](#).

Please follow the link included to book an interview or click here: [Book An Interview](#)

A Note to Grade 12 Parents from the Academic Counsellors



Mr. Wihnan and Mrs. Laturnas will begin meeting individually with all grade 12 students to do credit checks and ensure students are on track to graduate. These meetings will begin in September and continue through October.

During these meetings, we will also be discussing post-secondary education and answering student questions.

October 12th there will be a mandatory graduation meeting in the Medicine Hat College Theatre from 6:00 - 6:45 pm. It is important that grade 12 students and a parent attend this meeting as high school graduation information will be shared.

Also on **October 12th**, many post-secondary institutions will have booths set up in the main foyer of Medicine Hat College from **6pm - 8:30 pm** where parents and students meet recruiters and ask questions. We encourage all EBHS parents and students to stay after the meeting and attend this informative evening.

Please be aware that some post-secondary institutions open applications for program admission on **October 1st**. There are some programs that offer admission on a first-applied, first-qualified basis, it is important that you apply for these programs early. Applications for degree programs do not typically use this system. We encourage students to visit the websites of schools they are considering attending, this will allow them to ask great questions during their meeting with Mr. Wihnan or Mrs. Laturnas.

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Come for a visit to check us out, room 154 next to the shop, or make an online order or contact us - see information below!



Contact Information

Email - manager@badlandscre8tions.com

Phone - 403-528-1996 ext 2043

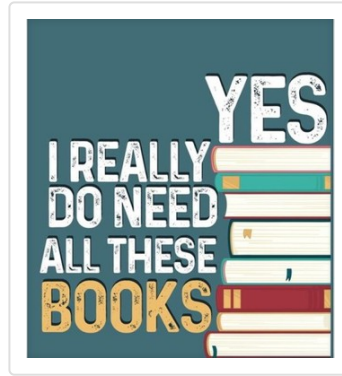
 **Your EBHS Library Corner** 



The HIT List is Back! Great Prizes to be Won



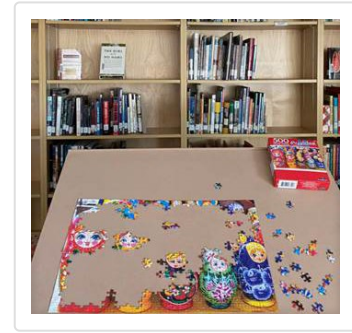
It is really no secret that **reading helps you** gain knowledge, broaden horizons, and improve critical thinking skills. And now, it can win you some sweet swag. It's literally win-win! Don't miss out! See Mrs. Anton in the Library for all the details.



Did you Know?



Did you know that you can search the library for books, see recommended books, reserve books and also write book reviews? Go to <https://myprps.insignails.com/Library/Home> and log in with your school email address. Search the book you would like to see - you will then be able to see if it is "IN", reserve it or write a review of it. Happy searching!



Find a Little "Piece" in the Library 🧩

A new and fun addition to the EBHS Library! The best study habit is 25 minutes of focus, and 5 minutes doing just about anything else. For our students working in and around the library - here's a great way to take a five-minute break and find a little piece of mindfulness.

The Perch Concession

Open daily from 8:25-8:45 and 12:05 to 12:30, The Perch offers a low-cost, accessible menu for our students. On Wednesdays, we offer pizza for just \$2/slice - pepperoni, cheese & hawaiian.

We also have a POS machine for debit, credit, apple pay, etc.

THE PERCH



\$1



Cinnamon Bun

**2-pack Chocolate
Chip Cookies**



**Double Decker
Ice Cream Sandwich**



**Mango, Cherry or
Strawberry**



\$2



Bagel w/ Cream Cheese



**3 Waffle Plate
Butter & Syrup**



Pizza Slice - WED ONLY



Nachos & Cheese



**Mac n Cheese OR
Noodle Stir Fry OR
Mac n Beef**



2 pack Pizza Pops



\$3



**Smokie or
Cheeseburger**



YOUNG WOMEN IN TRADES & TECHNOLOGIES

DISCOVERY NIGHT



CAREERS is breaking down barriers and paving a path for women in skilled trades and technologies.

Join us online for a night of fun, learning about Young Women in Trades and Technologies opportunities and events across the province, and empowering our young girls to take on the future.

SCAN THE QR CODE
TO REGISTER

OCTOBER 5
6PM - 7PM
VIRTUAL



for information email or call
skeuthray@nextgen.org
403.795.2750
careersnextgen.ca



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Go Green - Don't Miss Out On Credits



Get started on a career in Agriculture with Green Certificate

Learn by doing

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Green Certificate is a hands-on agricultural training program. On the farm, under trainer guidance, you work towards mastering skills within your specialty. Choose from many sectors, from beekeeping to bovines and everything in between.

For More information, contact your Green Certificate Regional Coordinator: Marina Grant, 403-634-6308

Laurie Hausauer / Darren Dola - Eagle Butte Off Campus Office Room 108

FIND OUT MORE AT:
lethbridgecollege.ca/green-certificate

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Would You Like to Host An International Student?

Prairie Rose is currently in need of seven Homestay families for our incoming International students. Starting November 18th, we have Colombian students joining us for a one month visit. We also have several students from Brazil joining us for the second semester.

Please contact Andrea Pillman at andreapillman@prrd8.ca to get more information or call her at 403-502-6244. If you're ready to apply, you can follow this link to fill out the form and get started: [Homestay Host Application Form](#)



Become a Homestay Family

EXPERIENCE THE WORLD FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR HOME

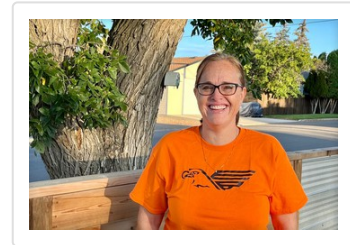
- PRPS is now accepting applications for homestay families to host international students ages 13-18 for the 2023-2024 year.
- Consider opening up your home to welcome an international student that would like to learn about Canada and go to school in Prairie Rose.
- Homestay options include providing a home for one month, two months, five months or a full school year.
- Families are compensated \$900 / month per student.



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Contact: Andrea Pillman / 403-502-6244 / andreapillman@prrd8.ca

[Click Here for Homestay Host Application](#)



Let us know if you'll not be in school...

24-hour attendance line at 403-528-1996 ext.8

All student absences **are required to** be verified by their parent or guardian by telephone. Any "A" absence codes need to be cleared for students to be able to use the Flex Friday (sometimes Thursday, on short weeks) benefit. **We will NOT accept same-day phone calls for Flex eligibility.** They need to be cleared in advance of Flex days.

Please Pay School Fees

All School Fees are due **September 29th**. We ask that you please make payments online using School Cash Online which accepts credit card, eCheque and funds loaded to myWallet by debit. If you are unable to access this payment option, you will need to call the Eagle Butte Business Office at **403-528-1996 ext. 2004** to make alternate payment arrangements.

Please check option course fees at the front of the student agenda or [click here](#) to see it on our website.

EBHS School Counsellor

My name is **Tanya Ridgedale** and I have been a FSLW for 26 years with Prairie Rose School Division. I provide *confidential, individual counselling* to any student and/or their families that need support. You can make an appointment in the following ways:

1. A referral can come through the Teacher Counselors, Mrs. Laturnas or Mr. Wihnan
2. Contact me directly at the school **403-528-1996 ext. 2039**
3. Reach me on my cell phone @ **403-502-2126**.

! NEW ! - "PED" Code for Student Assignments

You and your student(s) may notice a new code in PowerSchool this year - **Past Extended Deadline (PED)**.

Learning has many facets, and we feel that our students are best served when we do our best to emulate the expectations that they will face once they leave our doors and go out into post-secondary studies and the workforce. As the training grounds for life beyond high-school, we realize that time-management and deadlines are expectations they need to be prepared for, and we want to set them up for success in every way.

At the discretion of the teacher, when students show no progress or refuse reasonable measures to help them complete any given assignment - a teacher may use this code to reflect that **this assignment will not longer be accepted for grading and will receive a mark of "0"**. We understand the seriousness of this code and its implications and we want all parents to be forewarned that this will be issued with great care and consideration, and we ask you to

please partner with us when we contact you about any concerns about missing assignments - our focus is the success of your student.

🔔 Class Times 🔔

Period 1 - 8:50 - 10:05

Period 2 - 10:10 - 11:25

TAG - 11:30 - 12:05

LUNCH 12:05 - 12:45

Period 4 - 12:45 - 2:00

Period 5 - 2:05 to 3:20

School Photo RETAKES October 26th

Mark the calendar or set a reminder in your phone - school photo **retakes** are scheduled for the morning of **October 26th**. If you are not usually here in the morning, but need a picture retake you will need to make arrangements as they are only here for the first couple of periods of the day.



Top 3 Tips/Tricks:

1. Don't wear white (washes you out) or solid black (might not show well against the background)
2. Keep in mind any writing on clothing may cut off in odd places
3. Relaxed is the best look - take a deep breath and let it out before your picture

In The Community...

Tires for Schools @ Davis GMC

Hello families of Medicine Hat & District! We are doing it again, for the 2nd year in a row!

If you purchase a set of 4 new tires between now and December 31, 2023 at Davis GMC Buick, Davis will be donating \$40 back to the school attended by your child, grandchild, niece, nephew, etc. Not only will Davis be donating the money directly to the school of your choice but with every purchase of 4 tires you will also receive:



- Free tire repair
- Free tire rotation
- Free tire storage (for the 1st season then only \$25 after)

- 30-day price match guarantee

Have you heard about StudyInsured™ Student Accident Plan?

We offer a choice of 3 tiered plans designed to protect your children round-the-clock!



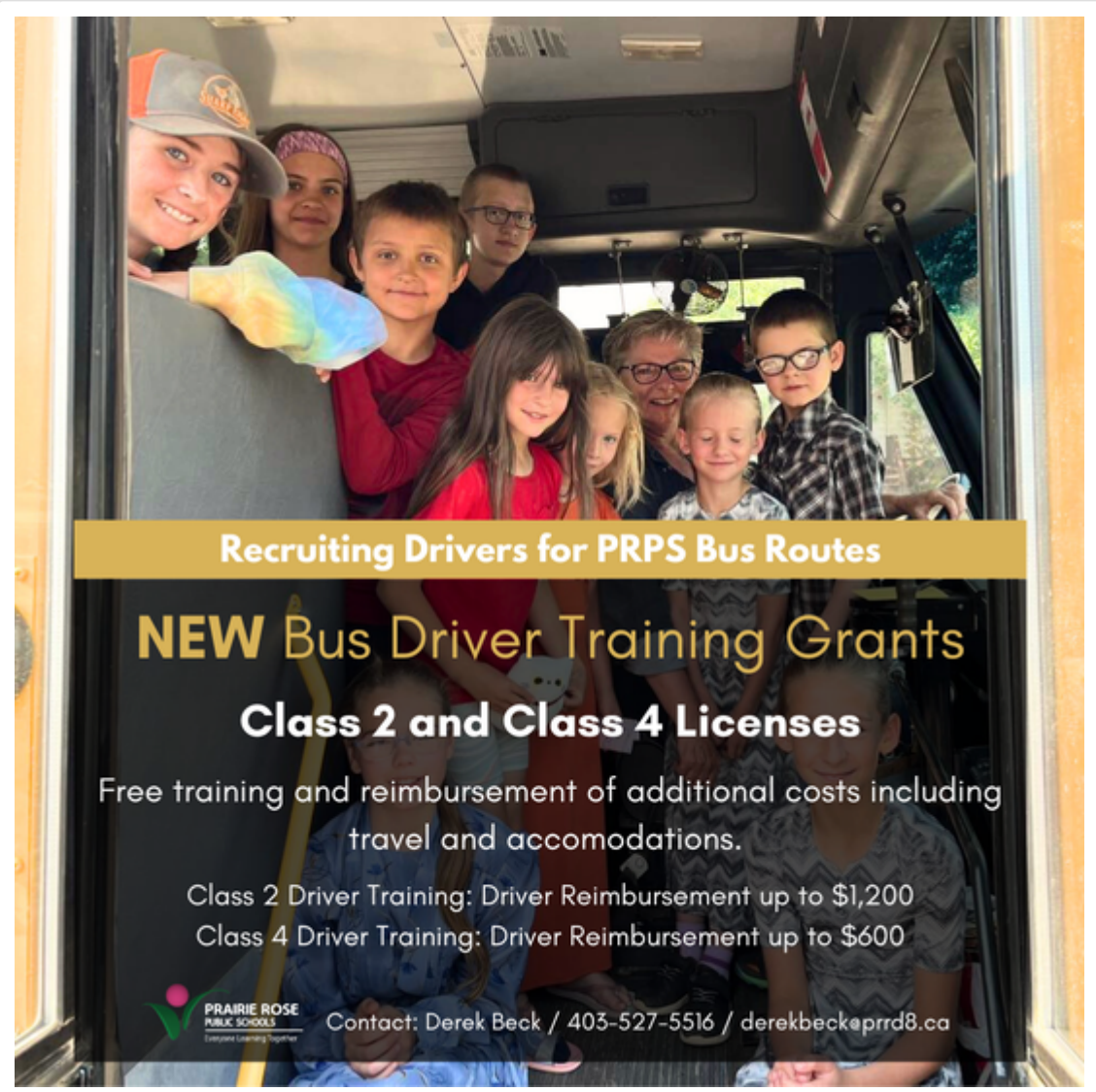
As a parent, safeguarding your child's well-being is paramount. Our plans ensure that your children are protected in every aspect of their lives, be it at school, home, or play.

With unbeatable benefits like:

- Emergency transportation, including ambulance services, you can rest easy knowing that prompt medical care is just a call away.
- Accidental dental coverage ensures that those unexpected dental emergencies are taken care of, without causing any additional stress.
- Critical illnesses, providing your child with the necessary assistance in times of need.

But that's not all - there's much more to explore within our extensive coverage. Purchase a [Student Accident Plan](#) today and elevate your peace of mind, knowing that your children are protected every step of the way.

Bus Drivers Needed



Recruiting Drivers for PRPS Bus Routes

NEW Bus Driver Training Grants

Class 2 and Class 4 Licenses

Free training and reimbursement of additional costs including travel and accomodations.





Class 2 Driver Training: Driver Reimbursement up to \$1,200

Class 4 Driver Training: Driver Reimbursement up to \$600



**PRAIRIE ROSE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
Celebrate Learning Together

Contact: Derek Beck / 403-527-5516 / derekbeck@prrd8.ca

Sunday	Monday	Tue.Sday	Wedne.Sday	Thur.Sday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4  Parent Teacher Interviews	5  Parent Teacher Interviews	6 NO SCHOOL	7
8	9 Happy Thanksgiving! NO SCHOOL	10	11 Cross Country Zones	12  Mandatory Grad Meeting 6PM at M.H.C.	13	14
15	16	17	18 Volleyball Spirit Night	19	20 Provincials: Cross Country	21 Provincials: Cross Country
22	23	24	25 TAG Activity	26 School Photo Retakes AM Only	27 EBHS Awards Ceremony 2 PM	28
29	30	31 Happy Halloween! 				

Sunday	Monday	Tue.Sday	Wedne.Sday	Thur.Sday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3  Midterm Report Cards	4
5	6	7	8 Remembrance Day Ceremony @ EBHS Gym	9 SI Day NO SCHOOL	10 Wellness Day NO SCHOOL	11 Remembrance Day 
12	13	14	15 PEP Rally 	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Alumni Career Fair	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 TAG Activity	30		

School Year Summary 2023/2024



October 4 (Wed).....Parent Teacher Interviews 6 - 8:00 p.m.
October 5 (Thurs)..... Parent Teacher Interviews 6 - 8:00 p.m.
October 6.....Division PD, No School for Students
October 9..... Thanksgiving Day Holiday
October 12..... Grad Meeting @6:00 p.m. MHC
.....Post-Secondary Info @ MHC
October 26..... School Picture Retakes (a.m.)
October 27.....Awards Ceremony – 2:00 p.m.
November 3..... Midterm Report Cards
November 8..... Remembrance Day Ceremony
November 9..... SI Day – No School for Students
November 10..... Wellness Day – No School
November 11..... Remembrance Day
December 222:00 p.m. dismissal

Dec 23 - Jan 7.....Christmas Holidays - No School

January 22 - 30.....Final Exam Week (tentative to AB Ed.)
January 31.....Semester II Begins
February 2.....Semester I Final Report Cards
February 9.....Last Day for Timetable Changes

February 19 - 25 Spring Break - No School

February 22, 23.....Teacher's Convention

February 29..... Grade 12 Parent/Grad Info Meeting @ EBHS
March 7.....Grade 9/New Student Open House
March 13 (Wed)..... Parent Teacher Interviews 6 - 8:00 p.m.
March 14 (Thurs)..... Parent Teacher Interviews 6 - 8:00 p.m.
March 15..... SI Day - No School for Students

March 29 – April 7 Easter Vacation

April 12..... Midterm Report Cards
April 26..... SI Day - No School for Students
May 10 - 11.....Graduation
May 17 SI Day - No School for Students
May 20..... Victoria Day Holiday
June 5.....Athletic Banquet
June 17 - 26.....Final Exam Week (tentative to (AB Ed.)
June 28 Last Staff Day



PRPS Board Highlights

Congratulations to Lois Bedwell for being elected the PRPS Board Chair and Patty Rooks the PRPS Vice-Chair for the 2023-2024 school year!

More highlights from the September 12, 2023, Board Meeting can be found on the PRPS website: [Board Highlights](#)



Announcements & Memos

Please download the SchoolMessenger App on your phone and set your preferences! All school messages are sent as a text, phone call and an email so it is very important to set preferences so you can avoid multiple messages.



Employment Opportunities

Prairie Rose Public Schools has a variety of Employment Opportunities available throughout the school year.

Check back here often for all roles available in the division: <https://www.myprps.com/employment>



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