



New Myrnam School

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October

Important Dates

October

- 3 - Lifetouch photos and class photos
- 4 - Sr Girls Volleyball Elk Point
- 5 - Dress like a teacher day for National Teacher Day
- 5 - Cross Country Running Zones (Senior High)
- 6 - PLC Day (No School)
- 9 - Thanksgiving (No School)
- 9-13 - Fire prevention week
- 13-14 - Sr Girls Volleyball Two Hills
- 13, 16-20 - Swimming Lessons Gr 3/4 & 5/6 from 1:45 - 2:30 p.m.
- 20 - Lakeland College Open House
- 15-21 - School Bus Safety Week
- 21 - Cross Country Provincials


- 25 - Sr Girls Volleyball Glendon
- 26 - Parent-Teacher Interviews 4:00-7:00 pm
- 27-28 - Sr Girls Wow Pow Lac La Biche
- 31 - Fall Festival Activities

November

- TBA - Sr High SPAA Volleyball, Sr High Zone Volleyball, Jr High SPAA Volleyball, Awards Night**
- 5- Daylight Savings Ends
- 5 - Ag Society Craft Show at the school
- 8 - Remembrance Day Ceremony
- 9 - PLC Day (No School)
- 10 - No School
- 13 - No School
- 17 - NMS Report cards go home
- 23 - MOHC Report cards ready for pick up

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www.newmyrnamschool.ca

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New Myrnam School SPERD

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Principal's Message



Happy fall! It's been a spectacular start to the school year. On Thursday, September 28, New Myrnam School was honoured to have a very special guest come for a visit; Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, Salma Lakhani came to the school. Three of our students met her in June 2023 at the Alberta Emerald Awards in Edmonton where NMS won an award in the Youth category. She enjoyed hearing about the projects and was so inspired by the work the students were engaged in that she asked to come and see the school for herself.

Her Honour met our grade 1-6 students, answered all of their questions, and read them a story about standing beautiful and being proud of what makes you unique. She was very kind and interacted easily with the students, giving hugs and high fives before moving on to speak to the grade 7-12 students. She spoke about how she came to Canada as a refugee from Africa and her role as Lieutenant Governor. She also spoke to the students about the importance of education. Students from 1-12 presented Her Honour with hand made gifts. Four students who were team leads from last year's Team Net Zero, Team Tiny Home, and Team Hydroponics enjoyed touring her honour around CTEC to look at our environmental projects. The day was a spectacular success and focused solely on the students and their inspiring work.

Thank you to other invited guests for joining us on this special day. Honourable. Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, MLA for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville, Don Gulayec, Reeve for the County of Two Hills, Donna Rudolf, Mayor of Myrnam, Mr. Peter Barron, Superintendent of St. Paul Education, Mr. Keith Gamblin, Associate superintendent, Sylvie Smyl, School Board Chair, and Jan Rajoo, School Board Member.

Our environmental projects earned the school a number of recognitions and awards in the 2022-2023 school year. One of those awards was the Emerald Award. The win comes with the school being highlighted in a short documentary sponsored by the Alberta Emerald Foundation. Hoopla Media will be out at the school on October 16 to shoot footage of the students working on their projects and interview them.

We've seen our junior high cross country running team have a strong season which started and ended in September. We had a really strong finish at SPAA in three of our teams: 3rd for the C boys, 4th for the B boys, and 3rd for the A boys! Individual placements contribute to the overall team placement. We might not be many, but we are mighty! Our athletes are competitive and ready for any challenge. We're so glad some of our MOHC students have joined us for cross country running. It's terrific to see students building relationships between the two schools. The elementary cross country running team competed in two runs in September; one in Vermilion and the other at the Riverdale Mini Park near Wainwright. They ran hard, cheered each other on, and finished with some personal best race times. Our junior and senior high golf teams played off at their respective SPAA competitions in September, and the junior/senior high boys and girls are actively engaged in the volleyball season.

As we enter into October, classes settle into routines and we can dig into the work to be done this year. Grade 6 and 9 students will be writing PAT's in June and grade 12 students will have diploma exams in January and June. Diploma exams are worth 30% of the student's overall mark. Dates, parent guides, and general information will be shared via email soon. Parents can also find information on PAT's and diploma exams on Alberta Education's website.

Concession Menu

Chicken Quesadilla (Sour Cream and Salsa) \$3.00

Grilled Cheese (with Vegetables or Pickle) \$2.50

Crackers, Cheese, Sausage and Pickle Plate \$3.00

Pizza Pop \$1.00

Taco in a Bag \$6.00

Mr. Noodle (Chicken/Beef/Spicy)\$2.00

Hot and Spicy Noodle Bowl \$3.00

Boiled Egg \$0.50

Water \$2.00

Juice Box \$1.00

Gatorade/Powerade \$2.50

Iced Tea \$2.50

Sparkling Ice Drink \$2.50

Italian Ice \$2.00

Veggie Straws \$1.00

Sunchips \$1.00

White Cheddar Popcorn \$2.00

Assorted Trail Mix \$2.00

Almonds \$2.00

Dried Whole Apricots \$2.00

Breadsticks & Nutella \$2.00

Ritz \$1.00

Made Good Cookies \$0.75

Twizzlers \$3.00

Corn Nuts \$2.00

Gum \$1.00

Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Visit

On September 28 we were honored to have a visit with the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, Salma Lakhani. She visited with the elementary students in the foyer and after being presented flowers she read them a story. She rode the solar powered golf cart over to the CTEC and addressed our Jr and Sr high students. She shared a story about her life and emphasized the importance of education. One of our Sr high students, Helen Briggs, made her a beautiful portrait. After answering questions from the students she toured the various projects in the shop led by our projects leads. It was a great honor.





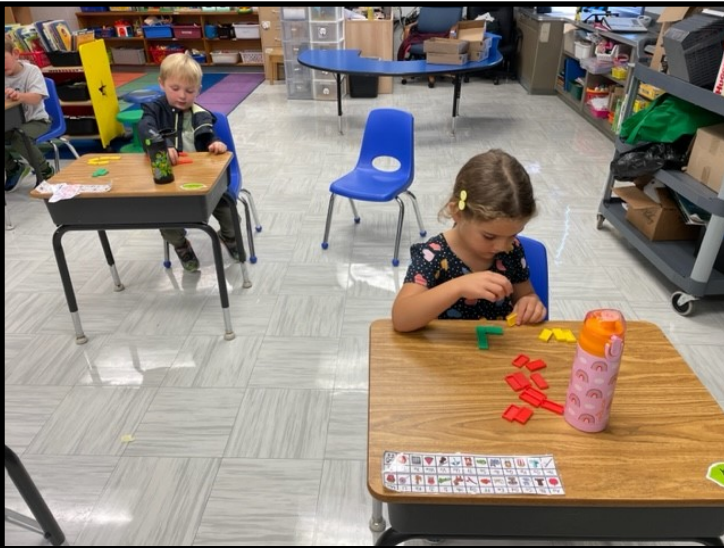
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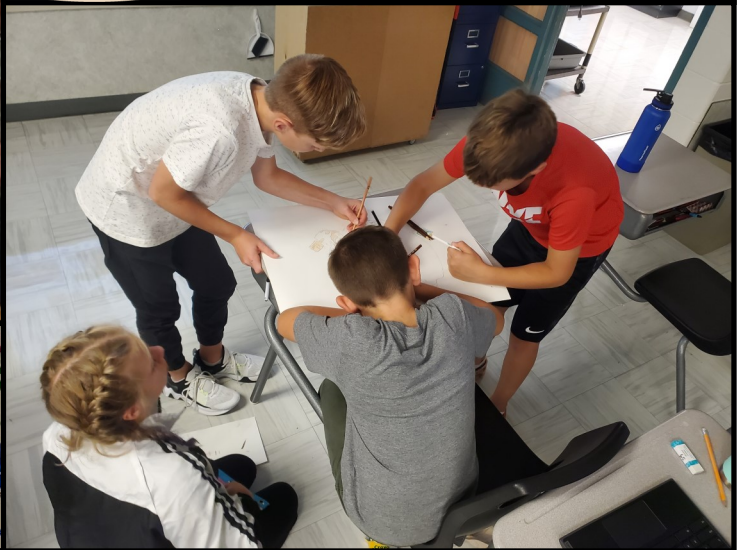
Kindergarten



Here are our Kindergartens doing a “Ready to Write” class. They are working on strengthening their muscles so they can write better.



Learning and Fun in Elementary!



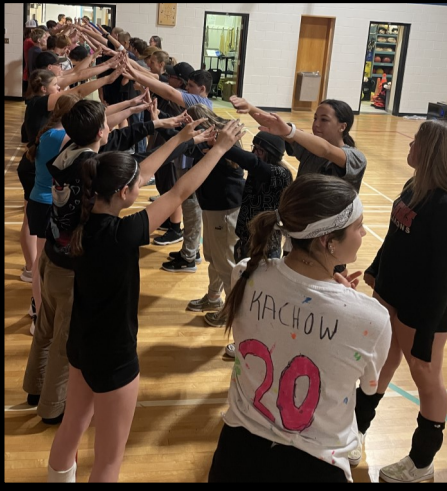
Elementary Week of Welcome



Elementary students enjoyed a movie with popcorn, and juice, as well as a fun game of Hide and Seek tag. Kindergartens were welcomed into our school with some fancy crowns and balloons.



Jr/Sr High Week of Welcome Volleyball



Terry Fox Run





Announcements



What a great shot!
Taken by our own
Ms. Hildebrandt.



If you haven't already, please fill in
you online re-enrollment forms!

Career Counsellor Dates

October - 4, 17, 23, 31



Links Page

Watch here for great links to our projects!

New Myrnam School Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/newmyrnamschoolsperd?fref=nf>

Power School

<https://powerschool.sperd.ca/public/home.html>

Our Project Videos/Articles

<https://www.newmyrnamschool.ca/project-s-videos>

School Cash Online

<https://sperd.schoolcashonline.com/>





BUS STATUS

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St. Paul Education is pleased to offer a new bus notification system commencing in the 2023-24 school year!

Download the Bus Status 4 App and choose your preferences to stay updated.



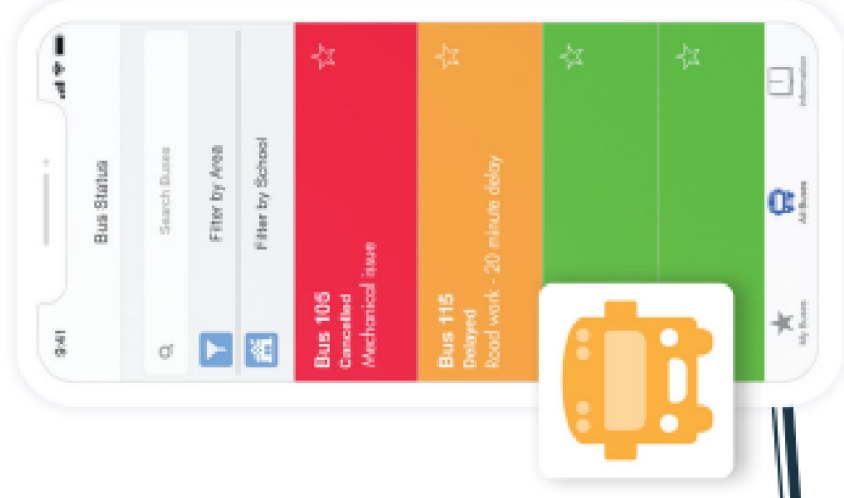
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Android

Access the full instructional document at <https://bit.ly/47AAKkg>.

Please note that the Bus Status App is replacing the Alertus App used in the past.



St. Paul Education Learning Calendar 2023-2024

August 2023							September 2023							October 2023							November 2023						
M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F		
1	2	3	4				1							2	3	4	5	6			6	7	8	9	10		
7	8	9	10	11			4	5	6	7	8			9	10	11	12	13			13	14	15	16	17		
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21	22	23	24	25			18	19	20	21	22			23	24	25	26	27			27	28	29	30			
28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29			30	31												

December 2023							January 2024							February 2024							March 2024						
M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F		
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18	19	20	21	22			22	23	24	25	26			19	20	21	22	23			25	26	27	28	29		
25	26	27	28	29			29	30	31					26	27	28	29										

April 2024							May 2024							June 2024						
M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F			M	T	W	T	F		
1	2	3	4	5			1	2	3					3	4	5	6	7		
8	9	10	11	12			6	7	8	9	10			10	11	12	13	14		
15	16	17	18	19			13	14	15	16	17			17	18	19	20	21		
22	23	24	25	26			20	21	22	23	24			24	25	26	27	28		
29	30						27	28	29	30	31									

LEGEND						
Instructional Day						
PLC Day						
Schools Closed						
Early Dismissal 2 pm						

Days of School Operation		
Instructional	Staff Only	
August	0	3
September	19	1
October	20	1
November	19	1
December	15	1
January	17	0
Semester 1	90	7
January	1	0
February	17	3
March	15	1
April	20	1
May	20	1
June	17	2
Semester 2	90	8

Total Instructional Days	180
Total Non-Instructional Days	15
Total Operational Days	195

First Day of Classes:	September 5
First Day of Second Semester:	January 31
Last Day of Classes:	June 26

Instructional Hours			
Days	Min./Day	Hr./Year	
Elem./Jr High	180	317	950
High School	180	333	1000

Important Dates		
August 29, 30, 31	PLC Days	
August 31 (a.m.)	Catholic Education Formation	
September 1	PLC Day/Division Day	
September 4	Labour Day	
September 5	First day of school	
September 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day	
October 6	PLC Day	
October 9	Thanksgiving	
November 9	PLC Day	
November 10	Schools Closed	
November 13	Remembrance Day (Nov 11)	
December 8	PLC Day	
Dec 25 - Jan 5	Christmas Break	
January 31	First day of second semester	
February 2	PLC Day	
February 2 (a.m.)	Catholic Education Formation	
February 14	Early dismissal - 2 pm	
February 15 & 16	Teachers' Convention	
February 19	Family Day	
March 1	PLC Day	
March 25 - 29	Spring Break	
March 29	Good Friday	
April 1	Easter Monday	
April 19	PLC Day	
May 16	PLC Day	
May 17	Schools Closed	
May 20	Victoria Day	
June 14	PLC Day	
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day	
June 26	Last day of classes	
June 27	PLC Day	

Calendar Approved: February 8, 2023

Professional Learning Community - PLC days provide opportunities for staff to work together on topics such as: school opening and closing, professional learning, sharing best practices, assessment, and supports for students.

Catholic Education Formation (CEF) - August 31 and February 2, mornings

Diploma Exam Schedule 2023-24 - October 26, 27, 30, 31 November 2, 3, 6-8 January 10-12, 19, 22-26, 29, 30 April 4, 5, 8-12, 15, 16 June 11-14, 17-20, 24-26


Provincial Achievement Test Schedule 2023-2024 - In draft format as per Alberta Education

Approved School Holidays						
Labour Day	Sept 4					
Thanksgiving Day	Oct 9					
Remembrance Day	Nov 13					
Christmas Vacation	Dec 25-Jan 5					
Family Day	Feb 19					
Spring Break	March 25-29					
Good Friday/Easter Monday	Mar 29 & Apr 1					
Victoria Day	May 20					



October



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Lifetouch photos and class photos Jr Girls Volleyball in Myram Day 3 (K Day)	Sr Girls Volleyball Elk Point Day 4	Cross Country Running Zones (Senior High) Dress like a teacher day for National Teacher Day Day 5 (K Day)	Teacher PLC Day - No School	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	9-13 Fire Prevention Week Thanksgiving - No School 				Swimming Lessons Gr 3/4 & 5/6 from 1:45 - 2:30 Jr Volleyball Girls in Mannville, Boys in Vermilion Sr Girls Volleyball Two Hills	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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		Jr Girls Volleyball in Myram Day 5 (K Day)			Lakeland Open House Day 2	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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29	30	31				
		Fall Festival Activities Day 3 (K Day)				



November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>TBA:</p> <p>Lifetouch Picture Retakes</p> <p>Sr SPAA Volleyball</p> <p>Sr Zone Volleyball</p> <p>Jr SPAA Volleyball</p> <p>Awards Night</p>		<p>1</p> <p>Sr Girls Volleyball in Myrnam</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Ag Society Craft Show</p> <p>Daylight Savings</p> <p>Set Clocks Ahead</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Jr Girls Volleyball in Myrnam</p> <p>Sr Volleyball SPAA</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Remembrance Day Ceremony</p>	<p>9</p> <p>PLC Day (No School)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>No School</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Remembrance Day</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>No School</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>NIMS Report Cards Go Home</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>MOHC Report Cards Ready</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	