



Peace River High School

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Calendar of Events

November 11 - Remembrance Day (No School)
November 12 - Non Operational Day (No School)
November 19 - Report Cards Released
November 22 - PD Day (No Classes)
November 24 - Parent Teacher Interviews
December 13-14 - Grad Photos

FALL BACK - Remember to change your clocks this weekend!

LET'S GET DIGITAL

Peace River High School is going paperless for Report Cards! Progress reports will now be available for download through the Powerschool Parent Portal. If you would like a printed copy, please contact the office.

Sign up to use the Powerschool Parent Portal and have instant access to your child's report cards, assignment and test marks, attendance, and markbooks.

[CLICK HERE](#)

And send us a quick email to get your code for setting up your parent portal access



**Attendance
Matters**

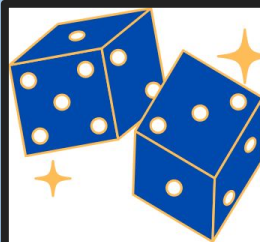
Every student. Every day.

As AHS reinstates school contract tracing, it is more important than ever for our school to have accurate attendance.

Please contact the office if your student will be absent for all or part of the day. If we are not contacted by a parent, the student will be marked absent.

Call: 780-624-4221

[Click Here to Email the office](#)



**LOOKING
FOR
CASINO
VOLUNTEERS**

December 9 & 10, 2021

(Thursday & Friday night) in Grande Prairie

Volunteers can work more than one day
but must work the same job role.

The PRHS Parents Association will
reimburse the cost of fuel to and from the
Casino and Hotel and meals (during the
Casino at the Joker Cafe) will be paid.

Please contact the school for more details!





“The upheaval of a cancer diagnosis affects everything; you go from normal living to a world you didn’t know existed.”



My name is Darlene Tremblay. I am writing this letter on behalf of my daughter Jessica Dedick, her two-year-old daughter, Kallie Kezema, and Kallie’s dad, Kyle, in hopes that you will help them through this sad and stressful time.

In June of 2021 the family noticed that Kallie had become very pale and bruising easily, limping, and complaining of leg pain. Jessica and Kyle took Kallie to the emergency department where blood work confirmed that Kallie was very ill. Within hours they were taken from the Peace River Hospital and flown to Edmonton where Kallie was admitted to the Stollery Children’s Hospital for further testing. Kallie endured four gruelling days of testing, several failed attempts at drawing blood, bone marrow biopsy procedure, and a lumbar puncture.

Kallie was diagnosed with Acute Lymphocytic Leukaemia. We were all devastated. The heartfelt concern for this little two-year-old and worry of the unknown is not a place I would like anyone to be.

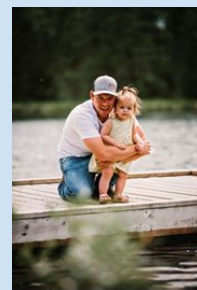
A central line was inserted in Kallie and the aggressive daily chemotherapy treatments, along with several transfusions and painful spinal taps began. Kallie lost clumps of hair, was drained of energy, and lost the use of her legs for awhile.

Home, for which we will always be grateful, for Jessica and Kallie was the Ronald McDonald House for over two months. Kallie’s medical team has informed us that the treatment will continue two and a half to three years. Due to the length of treatments remaining, Jessica and Kallie have now made home for themselves near the Stollery Children’s Hospital in Edmonton. Having a low immune system, Kallie is very susceptible to contracting infections and any onset of fever requires immediate medical attention.

It is never easy to ask for this kind of help and I wish I didn’t have to write this letter, but the expenses are high, and Jessica’s focus must be on Kallie’s journey to complete remission.

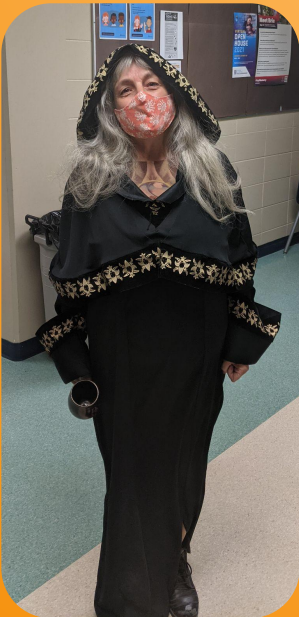
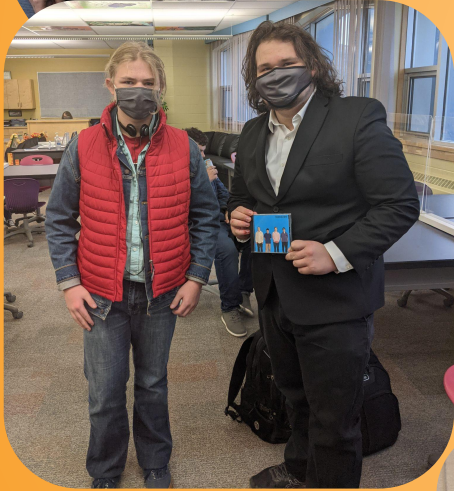
I am asking that you please consider a cash donation or donation of an item big or small, to be placed in an online auction which we are currently organizing. Should you wish to donate, my contact information is below. Any donation is very much appreciated.

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Halloween 2021





Superintendent's Message

The Power of Local Assessments

Have you ever heard these terms from your child(ren)'s school - RCAT, WAT, MIPI NCAT, and F & P BAS? These are all acronyms for local assessments that are used in all of Peace River School Division's (PRSD) schools to support students' learning needs and achievement. Teachers use these powerful tools to determine how students learn and to develop personalized instructional activities. Strategic use of local assessments also helps to improve student performance on Provincial Achievement Tests (PATs) and Diploma Exams.

Assessment Legend:

RCAT = Reading Comprehension Assessment Tool

WAT = Writing Assessment Tool

MIPI = Math Intervention/Programming Instrument

NCAT = Numeracy Common Assessment Tool

F & P BAS = Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessment System 1 and 2

To help enhance your understanding about why local assessments are powerful tools in supporting your child(ren)'s learning, I would like to share some details about why we use them and what benefits our students receive from their use.

The local assessments listed above help teachers to determine their students' level of knowledge and skills in the core areas of Literacy and Numeracy. These assessments will tell a teacher if there are any learning gaps with key concepts in Literacy and Numeracy. This information can be used to provide targeted lessons and useful accommodations to help the student learn important skills in Literacy and Numeracy. The assessments are done at the beginning of the year and then again later in the year to assess progress. The frequency that these assessments are administered allows Teachers and Educational Assistants to give targeted interventions and accommodations immediately after the assessment is completed.

All schools within PRSD have school teams made up of Teachers, Educational Assistants, I-Coaches, and Principals. These teams make up our School Division's Collaborative Response to meeting your child(ren)'s needs. These school teams receive support from Divisional I-Coaches, Program Coordinators, Assistant Superintendents of Teaching and Learning and Learning Supports, and even me!

Local assessments are powerful tools in contributing to our mission to ensure every child is literate and numerate, not most students, but every student!

To further explore the power of local assessments, I encourage you to go to our website (www.prsd.ab.ca) and read PRSD's Three-Year Education Plan for 2021-2024. We look forward to continuing to collaborate with all parents in achieving our collective goal of success for all students.

Adam Murray
Superintendent of Schools

