



MEATH PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
February 28	1 SBBB Host Kinistino at 4:30 pm	2 Gr. 8-12 Wapiti Ski Trip	3 Gr. 6's Curling PM SBBB to Knistino at 4:30 pm	4 Ribbon Skirt/Shirt Day SGBB To P.A. Curling Regionals
7	8 SBBB Host Birch Hills at 4:00 pm	9 JBBB to Vincent Massey 3:50 game	10 Boston Pizza Order Forms Sent Home Gr. 6's Curling PM	11 SBBB to Wynyard Conferences Curling Provincials
14	15	16 JBBB to Red Wing 4:00 game	17 K-12 Family Connection Evening 3:30 to 8:15 pm Boston Pizza Orders Forms Due 9:00 am Gr. 6's Curling PM	18 CONVENTION NO CLASSES
21 PLC DAY NO CLASSES	22	23 JBBB to Riverside 4:00 game	24 Boston Pizza Hot Lunch Today 	25
28	29	30	31 JBB to Ecole Valois 4:00 game	April 1



Prairie Roots:

We are very happy and excited to formally introduce you to Prairie Roots! Prairie Roots will provide programming for the school-aged and pre-school-aged children in our school's area. We will be providing a before and after school program for our school aged children, as well as day programming for children born in 2017-2019.

The before and after school programming will provide care for your student before and after school hours. The program would be open to students of our daycare program and students from K- Grade 5 in the school. The cost for such a program would be \$175 for a full-time spot per month (more than 6 uses per week) and \$100 for a part-time spot per month (6 or fewer uses per week).

The daytime program would be for children over the age of three and who are potty trained. Hours for the program would be run along with the same time frame of the school. The cost would approximately be \$300 for a full-time (3 days per week) student, and \$165 part-time student (half-day 3 days per week) a month. At this time we are planning on continuing a Monday/Wednesday every other Friday schedule for our 2022-23 Kindergarten schedule in the fall.

Please note the above rates and formats are to gather the interest in the community, more specific options will be provided once we have determined the interest.

If this programming would benefit your family and you are interested in enrolling, could you please fill out the attached survey using the link below? The survey will be open until March 23rd. when we will use that information to guide our next steps. If you can not open the form or do not have access to a computer or mobile phone, please call the school and we will be happy to help take your answers.

Please also pass the information along to families who do not receive our newsletter.

Matt Gray

Survey Link: <https://tinyurl.com/prairieroots>

Principal's Message

I suppose this is the *comes in like a lion* stage of our spring. After the winter we have had, enormous amounts of snow, drastic temperature changes, and frigid temperatures, I can only hope it is a baby lion that we can shoo away quickly to make room for the lambs of April's weather.

We have blinked and March has arrived! With that arrival also comes the lifting of health orders and restrictions. I know this comes with a wide range of feelings. For some, it comes with the joy of another piece of what was our "normal" world returning, for others it comes with the anxiety of losing pieces we had come to accept as needed in our new "normal" world. First, I want to thank everyone for respecting the choices that have been made in the school. We have seen students and staff choose to not wear masks, as well as have seen students and staff continue to choose to wear them. What hasn't changed, and what we will always consider normal, is the respect for both choices we have seen in the school.

We continue to be mask friendly, and will have masks for those students who wish to wear them, and will continue to keep a stock of rapid tests at the school for those wishing to have them in your home. We do ask that you continue to be diligent and keep your students home should they be ill or display symptoms.

The big news moving forward is our formal introduction and push to open a Before and After school and Day Program for our community beginning in the fall of 2022. *Prairie Roots* has been established with a group of 6 passionate and dedicated parents helping to organize and run programming for school-aged and pre-school-aged children in our community. Please find information regarding the program and a survey in the newsletter. If you know of a family that has yet to bring their student to the school that you think would be interested in the program, please send them the information!

Make sure to mark March 17th on your calendars for our Family Connection evening. We used to call this our Parent-Teacher Interview night, but really what we have noticed over the past two years is the wonderful communication around student success hasn't stopped, but we really miss the opportunity to connect person to person with you. We can't wait to see you!

Matt Gray, Principal

2022—2023 Kindergarten Registration

If your child will be five years old by December 31, 2022, it's time to register for Kindergarten. Please call the school at 306-929-2131 to pre-register.

Boston Pizza Lunch Sale

Order forms for our next Boston Pizza Hot Lunch will be sent home on Thursday, March 10th. Students have until Thursday, March 11th to place orders. On-line ordering has been posted in our KEV cash program. Hot lunches will be delivered Thursday, March 24th.

Ribbon Skirt Day

As you are aware, an unfortunate incident happened last year that brought to light the importance of teaching about Indigenous ways of know and being within the public education system.

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatchewan/ribbon-skirt-yorkton-kamsack-school-kulak-robertson-1.5863934>. We recognize that many SRPSD schools have hosted a Ribbon Skirt Day in solidarity (thank you for this) but we also feel that it's important to host a division day of solidarity. Friday, March 4th, 2022 will be Ribbon Skirt/Ribbon Shirt Day in Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division. It's a day where non-Indigenous people can wear a ribbon skirt or shirt in solidarity with the Indigenous community and a day where Indigenous people are encouraged to wear a ribbon skirt or shirt with pride!

Family Connection Evening (Parent/Teacher Interviews)

Family Connection Evening will take place in person on Thursday, March 17th from 3:30 to 8:15 p.m. If you are registered on Edsby, you will receive a message in your Edsby Mailbox notifying you. Click messages on Navigation Bar. Click on Parent/Teacher Interviews to open. Type in your name, then choose Available spots to set up your times for your child's teacher. If the slot is blank, the time is already booked. If change is needed after booking, click on Change. If need to cancel, choose Remove Booking. If you have any issues, or are not set up on Edsby, please call the school at 306-929-2131.

SCC

Our SCC spring fundraiser has been confirmed, we are excited to be bringing you bedding plants!

Meath Park Arena Public Skating Hours

Fridays - Shinny 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. / Saturdays - Public Skating - 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Sundays - 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Follow please follow us @ Meath Park Skating Rink on Facebook.
Drop in Rates - \$5.00 / Seasonal Single Rates - \$20.00 / Seasonal Family Rates \$50.00.
Rental fee for locals \$50./hour / Out of town Rental Rates \$75./hour Call 306-4507.

Rainbow Play-School in Weirdale We are happy to announce that we have opened up again. Our first day back is Friday March 4, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. We are open to pre-school aged (0-5years) kids and their caregivers. Join us Friday mornings except when Meath Park School has no school. We are located in the Weirdale Curling Rink. For more information, contact Jody at 306-981-3575.