

National Day of Truth and Reconciliation



Important Dates to Remember for Parents

- October 8 - PD Day for Staff (No Students)
- October 11 - Thanksgiving (No School)
- October 19 & 21 - Parent Teacher Interviews (Virtual Format)
- October 26 - Picture Retakes and also Tuesday/Thursday Kinder

PSD COVID PROTOCOLS

Thank you to all the parents who are being diligent about following the AHS daily screening checklist and monitoring their children for any symptoms that require staying at home.

[COVID-19 guide for parents of children going to school or childcare - children with symptoms part 1](#) and [COVID-19 guide for parents of children going to school or](#)

October 2021 Duffield Calendar of Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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4	5 World Teacher Day	6	7 Cross Country Run	8 PD Day
11 Thanksgiving No School	12	13	14 Cross Country Run	15
18	19 Parent Teacher Interviews	20 Immunizations Grade 6	21 Parent Teacher Interviews	22
25	26 Picture Retakes	27	28	29 Hallowe'en Events (TBD)

Cross Country Running Races:

We have two more Thursdays with Cross Country Running Meets:

October 7 at Woodhaven School

October 14 at Jubilee Park (hosted by Living Waters School)

Students will not be in school October 8-11, 2021



We wish all of our families a Happy Thanksgiving and are very thankful for your continued support.

Happening in our School in October

Parent Teacher Interviews:

We will be holding parent-teacher interviews on October 19 and 21, from 4:00-7:00, for all our Grade 1-9 parents. We will be conducting these interviews virtually and teachers will share a Google link with families the day before interviews. The office will be sending out a schedule to sign up for an interview on October 12. Grade 1-6 interviews will be 15 minute time slots and Grade 7-9 will be 10 minutes each. Please watch for a message in Power School Messenger so that you are able to sign up for a time that works best for your family. Teachers will have one slot available for each family.

Kindergarten Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held on November 9 and 10, after the completion of the EYE (Early Years) Screening.

Literacy and Numeracy:

Teachers have completed a variety of screenings for Literacy and Numeracy to get to know our students' learning needs. Our goals for the school year include building foundational reading and writing skills, as well as developing a deeper understanding of math concepts. Our PD Day on October 8 will provide staff with some valuable tools to support student learning in literacy and numeracy.

SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Thank you so much to the parents who joined us for the first School Council/ Fundraising Meeting of the year in September. A warm thank you to Shelby Smigelski who will act as our vice chair and also to Nicole Beutler who will act as our Communications Director. We still have the positions of Chair and Fundraising Liaison open so if you are interested in joining the executive for School Council and/or the DPAC Fundraising Committee, please join us at our October 26 meeting!!!

Next School Council Meeting: October 26 from 6:00-6:30 pm and Fundraising 6:30-7:00 pm. The link will be sent out to families on Monday, October 25.

Items of Note

- Hallowe'en Activities: We will let families know more about the activities surrounding Hallowe'en in our middle of the month Duffield Drop. We would like to wait a bit longer due to the ever-changing COVID measures in our province at this time.
- We have had a wonderfully warm fall season but as the weather begins to change, please be sure to send layers of clothing and appropriate footwear for your children!



I would like to thank all of the parents who volunteered their time to make our Terry Fox Run a successful and safe event for our students. A big thank you also to Ms. Fleming and Mrs. Hennig for organizing the event.

We are very proud of our school community and the \$ we raised.

SUPERVISION

Just a reminder to families that our morning supervision begins at 7:40, just as buses are arriving. Please do not send students earlier than this time so that we can be sure everyone is safely supervised.

Please remember that student drop off is only at the front of the school and not at the back, for the safety of our students. When students are dropped off by the bus transfer area, they are at risk of being hit by a school bus.

Have a wonderful October and please be sure to call or email with any questions or concerns you may have!!!

Sincerely,
Cherie Lovsund



