



PENHOLD PANTHER CHRONICLES



JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER



FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

The month of June is here! Students, as always are on the count down to summer while our teachers are still pushing hard to teach curriculum and finish out their year plans. Field trips are in full swing, and students are enjoying new experiences that supplement that curriculum they have been learning through the year!

We have appreciated all of those parents and guardians who have stepped up to volunteer their time to support our teaching teams on field trips and the school wide sports day! We know the paperwork is daunting, and time consuming, but we are so appreciative of all your help! Volunteers are still needed for our June 10th sports day! If interested in volunteering, please connect with your child's teacher or call the office.

We have two retirements to announce this year at PES. Congratulations to both Gloria Willis and Adele Ethier on their retirement announcements! Sadly, we are also losing Mrs. Akemi Matthie who has accepted a Grade 4 teaching position at Lacombe Upper Elementary where her own boys attend. Lacombe is home to Mrs. Matthie, and the staff and students are exceptionally lucky to have her! We wish Mrs. Matthie all the best as she transitions to her new role, and new building! Congratulations.

Joining the Penhold Team for next year are the following: Ms. Sydney Boone (Grade 4), Ms. Kendra Johnson (Grade 6), Mrs. Shay Fox (Educational Assistant) and Ms. Minka Lodewyk (Learning Commons Technician). We are grateful to these new hires and all that they will bring to the wonderful environment at PES!

Our teaching teams for next year are listed below:

Grade 4

Mrs. Kelli Sholdice

Mrs. Kristine Horrocks

Ms. Sydney Boone

Grade 5

Mrs. Dana Hannett

Ms. Janice Wiggins

Mrs. Sheila Johnson

Grade 6

Mr. Jeff Deckert

Ms. Kendra Johnson and Mrs. Meyer/Mrs. Baird

Mr. David Massey and Ms. Jessica Hammer

Our wonderful Educational Assistants for 2022/2023 school year are: Mrs. Lisa Keeler, Ms. Suzy Argent, and Mrs. Shay Fox.

Running our Office is our fabulous Mrs. Melissa Rose and our Learning Commons is Ms. Minka Lodewyk. Mrs. Caroline Tindall will be back making our students delicious breakfasts and hot lunches.

With excitement, I am happy to share that I, Mrs. Baird will be going on maternity leave in October of next year! Our little family is thrilled to be adding another 10 fingers and 10 toes to our crazy little clan! I am looking forward to taking the year to connect with my children, and enjoy the busyness of maternity leave and all the fun that comes along with it! Mrs. Meyer has been appointed as the Acting Principal starting in October when I go on leave. She will spend the year supporting all aspects of Penhold Elementary; the students, staff, parents and community members! An Acting Vice Principal has not been appointed as of yet. When details are finalized, we will send them out to you! I am always appreciative of the support we get from our families, and look forward to that connection continuing while I am away!

Our teaching teams have been working hard at finalizing placements for our students homerooms for next year. Our school plan is to share with students the last day of school who their next years teacher will be. They will have the opportunity to spend 15 minutes with their new teacher, and classmates! Of course, class enrollments change, therefore, your child's teacher may change in September. If this is the case, we will contact you from the office.

We have a number of fun activities taking place in the next 3 weeks of school! Thank you to our staff for planning many fun and engaging activities.

There are still outstanding school fees from some families that need to be paid. Our office staff will be reaching out to those who still owe swimming and agenda fees.

Our last day of classes for the students is the 28th of June. The day ends at 12:00pm, and buses will be here to pick up students. The Penhold Volunteer Fire Department will be here with their trucks at 11:00am to spray the students with water! This is a fun traditional event for our students and they love the exciting send off to the summer months!!

As always, we are truly grateful for the support you offer our staff, and your children! Have a safe and enjoyable summer! See you in the fall!

Yours in Education,

Lisa Baird, Principal and Giselle Meyer, Vice-Principal





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 **Penhold Elementary**
Grade 6 Graduation 

On Friday, June 24th at 2:00pm we will be celebrating our grade 6 students with a small graduation ceremony as they embark on the rest of their educational journey and close the doors to their time at Penhold Elementary School!

We welcome parents/guardians and family members to come and join in the PES gym where we will honour each grade 6 student.

Celebratory treats will be served to the graduating class following the ceremony!

 *Congratulations* 

SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2022/2023

Our supply lists are ready for the 2022/2023 school year! There are 2 options for families to get their supplies:

- 1) **School Start** - Families order their school supplies through the School Start website and they will be delivered to your home before the first day of school. Only things not included are backpacks, lunch kits, and indoor shoes
- 2) **Purchase Own** - Families can purchase their child's schools supplies using the supply list provided wherever they choose.

Special Events and Dates

- June 7th- Grade 5's Field Trip
- June 9th- Grade 4's Field Trip
- June 10th- Sports Day (school wide)
- June 14th- Grade 6 Math PAT
- June 15th- Grade 6 Math PAT Part B
- June 16th- Grade 6 English PAT Part B
- June 17th- Grade 6's Field Trip
- June 21st- Grade 5's Field Trip
- June 22nd- Grade 6 Science PAT
- June 23rd- Grade 6 Social PAT
- June 23rd- Grade 4's Field Trip
- June 27th- School Wide Field Trip
- June 28th- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL- 12:00pm dismissal

Hot Lunches and Free BBQ's

- June 10th- Free Hot Dog Lunch
- June 14th- Pizza Pizza Hot Lunch
- June 16th- Subway Hot Lunch
- June 17th- Free BBQ Lunch
- June 24th- Free Hot Dog Lunch
- June 27th- Free Pizza Lunch

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENT

Sharing a sense of pride as we reflect on an exceptional year...

As the end of this school year approaches, the Board of Trustees and Central Office team would like to express our deep gratitude for all that has been achieved in schools across our division. Our Chinook's Edge school communities rallied through a tide of challenges that ebbed and flowed throughout this past school year. Everyone was determined to ensure meaningful learning took place each day, through hard work, resilience and goodwill.

Our schools are filled with educational leaders who ensure a safe and caring environment for all students. They are all committed to our divisional goals: Academic Excellence, Career Connections and Social Emotional Well-being, which we firmly believe are key to student success as they progress through the grades and throughout their lives. Chinook's Edge has generated clear strategies to support every student in their learning journey and to create an upward momentum that helps them realize their hopes and dreams.

Thank you to our students, our teachers and our entire Chinook's Edge team for your hard work throughout the year, and to parents and community partners who are engaged in learning alongside us. Chinook's Edge students are surrounded by people who truly care about them and about their success. Thank you for challenging, encouraging and believing in each one of them. Enjoy your summer!

~Kurt Sacher, Superintendent