



# Penhold Panther Chronicles

## May 2nd Newsletter

### FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

We are into the last two months of the school year. Spring seems to have skipped us this year and we are already enjoying some great summer weather. Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle. Students play very hard at recess as well as in gym and the added heat causes the need for extra hydration.

It is that time of year when we are working hard on finishing off this school year but also planning ahead. A new school year means a fresh start and for some of our staff members, they will be starting the 2023/2024 school year at a new school. As well, we will be having new staff joining us at PES.

Mrs. Horrocks has taken a transfer to just across the highway to Jessie Duncan and Mrs. Sholdice has taken a transfer to Beacon Hill School in Sylvan Lake. Both of these teachers are phenomenal and if you have been lucky enough to have your child in one of their classes, you understand how much they will each be missed in our school. We wish them the best of luck in their new adventure and we hope their new schools understand how lucky they are.

We are going to welcome two 'new' teachers to Penhold Elementary School next year. Mrs. Sheveryn Deschambault is transferring to us from Jessie Duncan where she will be teaching Grade 4 next year. Mrs. Jill Neilson is transferring to us from Innisfail Middle School and will be teaching Grade 6. Both of these seasoned teachers are going to fit right in with us at PES. They both come to us with the highest regards from their staff, students and parents. Miss. Kendra Johnson will not be returning to our staff unfortunately next year. We are so grateful for all she has done to support our students this year and wish her the best of luck going forward.

We have a busy month ahead of us. Please check out the calendar on the website so you don't miss anything!

Yours in Education,  
Mrs. Giselle Meyer, Acting Principal  
Mr. Mark Crawford, Acting Vice-Principal

### LET'S CHALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH



May 1st - May 4th

Check out all of the artwork around town or the pictures on our website as they are complete this week!

### 2023/2024 Student Intent Form

We are planning for next year and wanting to hear from our families. Please complete the following survey to share with us where you plan to have your child attend school next year.

### Grade 6 Parents

Our first PAT is approaching on May 17th. Please see email sent to grade 6 parents with more information.

### Have you paid your fees?

Did you know you can make partial payments?

### Free Lunch Fridays Are Here!!

From now until the end of June student can enjoy BBQ'd food for lunch every Friday

### HANGING BASKET FUNDRAISER

Pick up May 8th from 1pm-6pm @ North East Gym Doors

### June Hot Lunch Orders are now available online

### Parent Council Meeting

May 9th @ 7pm  
Babysitting Available

### Spring Safety Drills



It is the time of year again where we will be doing safety drills. Our first drill is a tornado drill and will be done on May 10th. Click here for more information.

### Grade 5 Swimming starts May 30th

If your child is in 5H or 5W, they will start swimming at the end of the month. Consent forms have been sent out and swim fees have been added to your accounts.

### Important Dates

- May 2nd - Grade 4 Swimming Starts
- May 5th - No School for Students, just for staff
- May 8th - Hanging Basket Fundraiser Pickup
- May 8th-12th - Rocks and Rings
- May 10th - Pizza with Principal
- May 17th - Grade 6 ELA Part A PAT



## HATS ON FOR MENTAL HEALTH DAY

### Wednesday, May 3rd

**Wear your favourite hat to bring awareness to mental health**

Prizes will be awarded for:

- Best homemade
- Best vintage
- Most unique
- Brightest
- Best character themed
- Overall best hat

Plus... the class with the most hats will win a special prize!