



The Scoop



Viking School

October, 2019

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From the Principal's Desk

It seems like September flew by this year and here we are in October...

Volleyball season is in full swing. Our Junior and Senior High teams have begun league and tournament play and our Elementary Mini Slammers program has started play as well. Cross country running season is moving along and nearing completion, as is Golf season. Good luck to all of our teams and thank you to all of the coaches and volunteers that make our volleyball program successful!

During the 2019/2020 school year students at Viking School will again be completing Provincial Achievement Tests (Grade 6 and 9) and Diploma Exams (Grade 12) as part of Alberta Education's provincial testing program. Our Grade 3 students will not be participating in SLAs (Student Learning Assessments) this year.

On Friday, September 27th students in Kinder-

garten through Grade 9 participated in our annual Terry Fox Run with students, staff and some parents joining the fun. Thank you to Mrs. Ogrodnick for leading the organization of this event.

Orange Shirt Day also took place on Monday, September 30th. Many of our students and staff wore orange shirts to acknowledge the experiences of former students of Residential Schools and as a commitment to ongoing reconciliation in Canada.

Viking School will again have firm deadline dates for transferring between high school courses (for example from the -1 to -2 level). For the first semester this date will be October the 16th. I would ask that parents and students be mindful of this date and monitor progress in these courses with the classroom teacher as these dates do occur before the first report card is issued.

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VSPC Meeting

Wednesday, October 16th
5:30pm– Home Ec Room



DeSimone Farms Fruit Sale Fundraiser
Please have orders in by October 16th



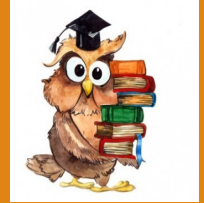
Apples, Oranges, Grapefruits, Pears, Olive Oil and Fruit Juices
are available for order.

WE “C.A.R.E.” EVERYWHERE

VIKING SHOOOL LIBRARY

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR NOVEMBER 2019

(MORE DETAILS IN NOVEMBER'S NEWSLETTER)



Continued...

Student assessment and attendance information is currently unavailable online through Maplewood Parent Portal, but we hope the system will be online soon. There is a link to the Parent Portal website on the Viking School homepage. If you have forgotten your username or password for the online system please email MaryAnn Newby at the school for that information.

Our DeSimone Farms fruit sale fundraiser will again be taking place in October. Apples, oranges, grape-fruits, pears, apple chips, olive oil and fruit juices are available for order. Order pick up will take place in mid-November (further information will be shared once the date becomes available). Funds raised will be used to enhance curriculum at the secondary level (subsidizing field trips and bussing, bringing in guest speakers and performers, and purchasing technology and equipment). Orders are due by October 16th, cheques can be made payable to Viking School.

Viking School's Junior High Awards Ceremony will take place at 1:00 pm on Thursday, October 10th. Awards at the junior high level will be given to students who achieved an honours average (80% or higher including all courses taken during the year) or the highest mark in one of the supplementary courses (Communications Technology, French, Physical Education, Art, Home Economics or Industrial Arts). The Senior High Awards Ceremony will take place

at 7:00pm on Friday October 11th. New to the senior high awards will be Honors Average certificates presented to all Grade 10 and 11 students who achieved an honors average (80% or higher) based on a weighted average of all courses taken during the previous school year. Everyone one is welcome to attend both ceremonies.

School pictures took place on October 3rd and re-takes will be on November 8th .

Mark your calendars: The Viking School Christmas concert will be held on Tuesday December 17th this year.

Please come and join us for our next School Council meeting which is scheduled for 5:30 pm on Wednesday October 16th in the Home Ec. room.

Mr. A Madsen



**PICTURE RETAKES
November 9th**

REMINDER

VIKING SCHOOL IS PARTICIPATING IN A BOSTON PIZZA FUNDRAISER. SEND YOUR RECEIPTS INTO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND OUR SCHOOL WILL RECEIVE 5% BACK! THANK YOU!



SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

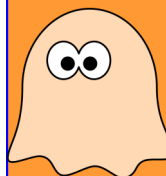
October 8th
80's DAY



A Note From STUDENT COUNCIL

SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

October 31st
Halloween
Costumes



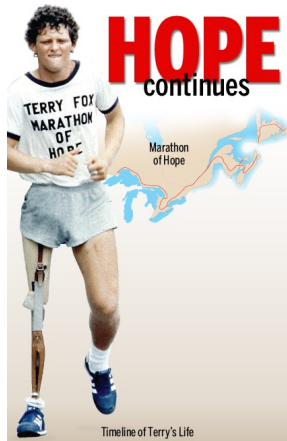
NO SCHOOL ON OCTOBER 11th and 14th

Happy Thanksgiving!

NO SCHOOL OCTOBER 25th



The 2019 Terry Fox Run was a huge success!



This year donations totaled \$ 5240.80

Thanks to all the students who fundraised and participated. We would like to send a special thank-you to the community for their continued support!

GOOD WORK VIKING STUDENTS

HALLOWEEN PARADE OCT 31, 2019

Elementary students will dress in their costumes at 12:30 and the Parade will begin at 12:45 in the school hallways. Parents are welcome to attend and join us to watch the parade in the front foyer.



The Grade 6 class will once again be putting on a Halloween Carnival (October 29th) for grades K - 3.

This event will be open to the public, so feel free attend. Time: 1:00—3:00 P.M.

Admission (not mandatory) will be a non-perishable Food Bank item.



VIKING GRAD CLASS OF 2020 FUNDRAISER

The Grads will be selling Fresh Christmas Wreaths (orders accepted until October 25th) Orders can be placed with any Viking School Grad student or by calling Viking School at (780)336-3352

Items will arrive in early December for delivery



NEW THIS YEAR!

Grads will also be selling NUTTERS trays!



VIKING SENIOR BOYS VOLLEYBALL OFF TO A GREAT START

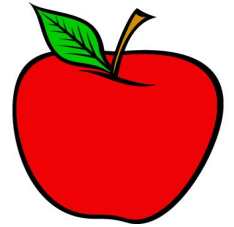
Sr. Boys Volleyball team defeated Ryley and St. Jerome's Schools to win consolation in the Lamont volleyball tournament on the first weekend of September.

Pictured above is the Senior Boys team with coaches, Mr. A. Madsen and Ms. K. Davis.

De Simone Farms Fruit Sale:

The DeSimone Farms Fruit Sale has started. Secondary students will be participating in this fundraiser running from **October 1st to 16th**

- Fruit will arrive in mid-November
- Funds raised will be subsidizing field trips and bussing, bringing in guest speakers and performers, and purchasing technology, etc. to benefit secondary students.



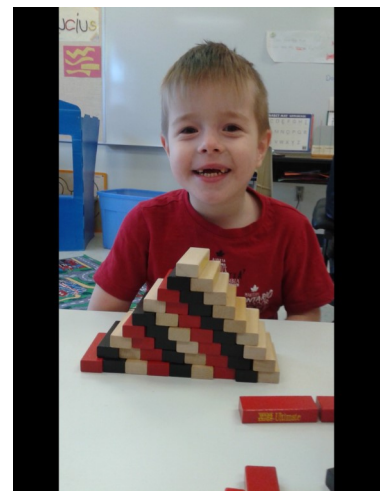
Thank you to Viking Home Hardware for helping us unload our new gym floor mat. Their help was very much appreciated.



The Grade 1's are learning about seasons changing by a fall tree



Lucius loves to build patterns with blocks.





Thank you to
Onel Potgieter
for visiting the Grade 6
class and presenting on
Canadian Citizenship.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL

Youth are more likely to remain healthy when their parents are involved in their education.

Maintain ongoing communication with your child's teacher.

Participate in community events that tie into what your child is learning, such as taking in the local museum.

THE VALUE OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL

Your child benefits from your involvement in school.

They want you involved.

Connect with teachers, regularly check in with your kids.

WAYS TO STAY INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

- Connect with their teacher
- Volunteer
- Talk to your child about school
- Ask teachers how you can get involved

WAYS TO STAY INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

- Offer your skills to the school
- Help with an activity
- Set up or clean up after a classroom party
- Help plan a safe grad
- Offer help with sport days
- Organize fundraising events

MORE RESOURCES

search-institute.org
keepconnected.searchinstitute.org/
community.hmh.ca/

VENDING MACHINE

Just a reminder as you may have seen in your child's agenda, Elementary students will not be using the Vending Machine during school hours.



Information on mental health, community supports, programs and services in your area:



 MyHealthAlberta.ca

Addiction Services Help Line
1-896-332-2322
Mental Health Help Line
1-877-303-2642



811 Health Link
Health Advice 24/7

 Alberta Health Services





Her high school grad
smile begins today!

**Fluoride is safe &
good for teeth at any age:**
toothpaste, varnish & from the water tap.

Please have the following consents returned:

Kindergarten Fluoride Varnish

Grade 1 & 2 Fluoride Varnish and Dental Sealant

Grade 3 Dental Sealant Check

We will be providing service December 3 & 4, 2019.



FLUORIDE FACTS
ahs.ca/oralhealth



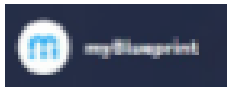






Career Counselling

October 2019 Newsletter

Attend a Post-Secondary Open House/Event this Fall

The [High School Plus](#) site calendar has post-secondary events posted for you to check out! Always cross-reference with the actual institution's website for accuracy of details and steps for registration.

Post-Secondary	myBlueprint	Scholarships
<p>Consider applying early if you plan to start in the fall of 2020. Some programs are non-competitive (first qualified, first applied, first accepted).</p> <p>Ready to narrow-down post-secondary choices? Student for a day type events are an on-campus opportunity to experience student life by attending classes, touring facilities, learning admission requirements, scholarships and much more. Look for registration steps on the institution's website.</p> <p>Get started! Volunteer experiences may be required for your post-secondary program. Check websites for posted non-academic requirements.</p>	<p>Have you signed into your myBlueprint account to update your <i>Who Am I</i> surveys? Save past results into your portfolio and refine your six unique assessments for self-exploration and discovery.</p> <p>Parents can create a myBlueprint account linked to their student's account (grades 7-12).</p>  <p>Steps: Sign up - Select your school - Choose family/advisor account - Type in student email - Wait for an invite!</p> <p>OR ask your child to send you an invite from their account.</p>	<p>Are you registered in one or more of the scholarship websites available to high school students? You can find links to scholarship websites in the <i>High School Plus</i> website under Funding Your Education.</p>  <p>SCHOLARSHIPS CANADA.com</p>   

The BRSD Career Counselling Team is busy meeting with high school students. Look for them to ask about post-secondary program prerequisites, Rutherford Scholarship qualifications or high school pathway possibilities.

Your BRSD Career Counsellors, Lynda Kope & Carla Praticante

careercounselling@brsd.ab.ca



**Viking School SR Golf Team participated in
Camrose for the SR Golf Zones Tournament.**



Congratulations to the Junior Girls "B" Team

on winning **GOLD** at the Killam
Tournament on Sept 28, 2019.













**Congratulations to the
Junior Girls "A" Team**
for placing **SECOND** at the
Killam Tournament on Sept 28,



◀ **Children's Walk-in Clinic**

Do you have questions or do you want to learn more about...

-  How your child speaks.
-  How your child hears.
-  What your child says.
-  Your child's printing, pasting or cutting.
-  How your child moves.
-  How your child follows directions.
-  Your child's sensitivity to objects, senses or surroundings.
-  Your child's coughing and/or wheezing.
-  Your child's asthma and how to use his/her puffer.
-  **Information about Child Development is available.**



FREE

Visit us at our Walk-in Clinic!
~ First-Come-First-Served ~

The 3rd Wednesday of every month

Viking Health Centre – Rehabilitation Department
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Call 780-336-7114 for more information

Services that may be accessed include:

Occupational Therapy
Respiratory Therapy
Early Intervention Support (0 - 3 ½ yrs)

Physical Therapy
Speech-Language Pathology
Social Worker

The ECS class participated in the Terry Fox Run on Sept 26.

They had a great time running in the gym with the grade 6's.



Terry Fox Run







Want to pay from
the convenience
of your home?

USE ONLINE FEE PAYMENT

To better serve our parents/guardians, Battle River School Division offers an online fee payment system available through our website. Parents/guardians can view and pay fees for multiple students in a single transaction.

How do I use the Student Fee Online Payment System?

1. Log in to the BRSD website at www.brsd.ab.ca
2. Click on "Pay Student Fees Online"
3. Click on "Online Student Fee Payment". Note: if you require additional assistance, a user guide is available on this screen.
4. Click on "Sign-Up" to create an account. You need an email address and student ID number for each of your students. The student ID number is located on the invoice above the total due amount.
5. At the fee summary page, click on each student tab to review fees. Any optional items that can be added to your shopping cart will be listed at the bottom of each student's page.
6. Other features include the ability to print a statement and/or receipt.

7. When ready to check out, click "View Cart" followed by "Pay Now." You will be prompted to enter your payment type and required information.

8. You will receive a copy of your receipt via email (sent to the email address connected to your parent account).

Is there a cost to use the Online Fee Payment System?

No, there is no convenience charge assessed for online payments.

What fees can be paid online?

Instructional fees, agendas, course fees, athletic fees, field trip fees, and Student Union fees are just a few examples of fees that can be paid online.

Who do I contact if I have questions about my child's information or fees?

Please contact your student's school.

Cross Country Running Report

We are currently in the midst of our cross country running season. Our team has had a total of 23 athletes from grades 5 to 12 participate at events at Camrose, Hardisty, and New Norway. Some notable achievements include a 6th place finish in the grade 6 boys category for Yohan Borrromeo and a 9th place finish in the high school girls category for Gracie Lang at Camrose. At Hardisty, Yohan finished 8th, and Tanner Brooke and Dylan Haydon finished 9th and 10th respectively in the high school boys category. The New Norway results have yet to be released.

New Norway marked the end of the season for our elementary and junior high athletes. Our senior high athletes will compete at the zone competition at Camrose on October 9th with the opportunity to advance to the Provincial Championships at Dunmore on October 19th.



Grade 10 Citadel Trip

The Grade 10's attended the performance of
"A Color Purple" on Oct 2, 2019.

Thanks to Parent Council for their donation towards bussing to help
make this trip possible.



Congratulations

to Hunter Sullivan and Skylar Morken at the **Junior Golf Tournament** at Silver Creek Golf Course on Oct 1, 2019.

Skylar scored a 66 and Hunter scored a 62

Great Job by these two!!