



## Important Dates

March 1 - COVID school restrictions are lifted (see notes below)

March 8 - Little Caesar's Pizza Delivery

March 8 - Elementary Report Cards

March 9 - Ski Trip Day

March 13 - Day Light Savings

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

March 17 - PTIs - Elementary (Jr/Sr High by appointment)

March 19 - 27 Spring Break

March 28 - PD Day No School for Students

## Principal's Message

It has been wonderful to see all our students' faces again!! It is certainly nice for everyone to have a choice to wear a mask or not. It also has been wonderful to not only get back in the

gym to cheer on our Tigers, but also to visit with the fans! I am hoping this is a sign of that normalcy we've all been longing for.

It was another busy month at HCC in February. I want to take a moment to thank our amazing community and surrounding area for supporting our Grad 2022 online auction. The auction was a huge success and the grads are well-positioned to host a wonderful ceremony on June 25, 2022.

I know it's been mentioned a few times, but I wanted to remind parents and guardians of students in Grade 4-12, you will be receiving a survey from the Alberta Government asking for feedback on how we are doing. These surveys help our school plan for next year and your voice is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about the survey please reach out to either Mrs. Charchuk or myself and we'd be happy to answer them.

Take care, everyone!

*Mrs. Sherri MacDowall*

## Superintendent's Message

### Kindergarten Registration



It's that time of year again and our Kindergarten teachers and principals are looking forward to welcoming new students to a bright new world of learning! Kindergarten registration for the 2022-2023 school year has opened and we are excited to welcome all our up-and-coming students to PRSD this fall. Registering your child in Kindergarten is extremely beneficial and prepares children for future success in their education and beyond.

We believe in play-based education delivered by kind, caring, and highly qualified staff. Your child will interact, imagine, experiment, and explore to add to their knowledge and learn new skills. Our educational staff know that every child is unique, and our teachers ensure that students are provided with specialized and targeted instruction to meet their individual needs.



We know our communities, and we understand how important it is to be involved in your child's Kindergarten education and that's why we value family involvement and encourage parent volunteers. This approach to our Kindergarten programs is what makes students so successful. In PRSD schools, there are many ways for parents to be involved and for the school and families to interact.

All PRSD Kindergarten classes and Early Learning programs offer specialized support for students with delays or special needs. The Early Learning Team supports children in their emotional, social, intellectual, and physical development through play-based environments.

PRSD has specific program options and availability, so we encourage parents to reach out to their local elementary school and ask about their Kindergarten programming.

We look forward to teaching the next generation of students and offering them a high quality of education from the very beginning. Enrolling children in early learning programming provides a higher chance for future academic success and allows them to become more comfortable and confident within a classroom setting.

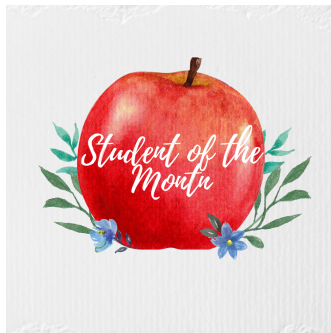


We are beyond excited to welcome more imaginative minds to our schools this fall!

Adam Murray

Superintendent of Schools

Peace River School Division



**Bradyon Fortier**

**Grade 12**

**Nominated by Ms. Hayes**

**Q: How does it feel to be nominated for student of the month?**

**A: Good.**

**Q: What's your favourite subject, and why?**

**A: English, because I have the most success at it.**

**Q: You were nominated for always being polite and helpful. Who else do you think deserves recognition for things that they do here at school?**

A: I think the janitorial staff deserve to be recognized because I think they're doing a good job.

Q: What extracurricular activities do you do?

A: Golfing - I enjoy the Hines Creek course.

Q: What is your favourite book, movie, tv-show or song and why?

A: I like action movies. Most recently I watched "Red Notice".

Q: What is your favourite thing about HCC?

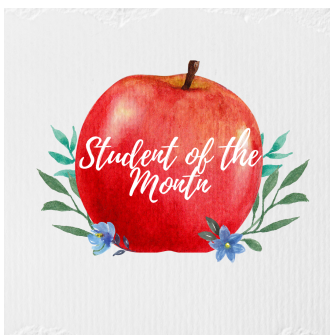
A: The people. Everybody is nice to each other from what I see.

Q: If you could give one piece of advice to other high school students what would it be?

A: Don't stop trying - keep going no matter what happens. Sometimes life throws you a curveball, but you just have to keep going.

Q: Tell me something about yourself that people might not know.

A: I own a PT Cruiser.



Carter Giesbrecht

Grade 4

Nominated by MS. Dalke

Q: How does it feel to be nominated for student of the month?

A: Good.

Q: What's your favourite subject, and why?

A: I like art because it's fun. I really to draw.

**Q: You were nominated for working really hard in class. Who else do you think deserves recognition for working hard in class?**

**A: Jaden also works really hard in class.**

**Q: What extracurricular activities do you do?**

**A: I like to draw. I have a sketchbook that I like to draw in. I also like video games. I have Xbox and my favourite game is a dirt biking game.**

**Q: What is your favourite book, movie, tv-show or song and why?**

**A: My favourite tv show is "Thundermans". It's about superheroes.**

**Q: What is your favourite thing about HCC?**

**A: I like the playground. The chin-up bar is my favourite.**

**Q: If you could give one piece of advice to your peers what would it be?**

**A: We're all doing a good job in math!**

**Q: Tell me something about yourself that people might not know.**

**A: I like to collect rocks. My favourite rock is really big and I found it at my Auntie and Uncle's old house, near Dunvegan.**



February 10th was Pirate Day at HCC. It was a fun day... we just forgot to capture it on camera... except for this awesome lil pirate!



# PRSD SCHOOLS COVID-19 INFORMATION

March 1, 2022



## **Any Remaining School Requirements Removed.**

- For Example:  
Kindergarten to  
Grade 6  
Cohorting

- Youth Screening Activities for Entertainment and Sport Activities Removed.
- Capacity on all Large Venues and Entertainment Venues Lifted
- Indoor and Outdoor Social Gathering Limits Lifted

## **Provincial Mask Mandate Lifted.**

**Students & staff who wish to  
continue to wear masks during  
school hours will be supported.**

This friendly reminder is brought to you by



**Peace River School Division**

*Learning Together - Success for All*

# COVID Update

Alberta will enter Step 2 starting March 1. At that time, the following COVID-19 measures will be updated:

- Any remaining school requirements removed (for example: Kindergarten to grade 6 cohorting).
- Youth screening activities for entertainment and sport activities removed.
- Capacity on all large venues and entertainment venues lifted.
- Indoor and outdoor social gathering limits lifted.
- Mandatory work-from-home requirements lifted.
- Provincial mask mandate will be lifted except in high-risk settings, including on public transit, at AHS-operated and contracted facilities, and all continuing care settings.

**PRSD is committed to supporting any staff or students who wish to continue to wear masks during school hours.**

I have attached a poster that outlines this information that can be posted in work/school spaces if needed.

Isolation requirements remain the same until we reach Step 3. If you [test positive or have symptoms](#) not related to a pre-existing condition, you are legally required to isolate as outlined below:

- Fully vaccinated (2 doses or 1 dose Janssen): Starting the first day of symptoms or positive test, isolate for a minimum of 5 days or until symptoms resolve, whichever is longer. Following isolation, wear a mask at all times when around others outside of home for up to 5 more days (10 total). This means you must eat or drink alone, away from others.
- Not fully vaccinated (1 dose or less): Starting the first day of symptoms or positive test, isolate for 10 days or until symptoms resolve, whichever is longer.
- If you test negative and have symptoms, you should still stay home and away from others until symptoms resolve.

# Be Kind

February 23 was Pink Shirt Day. Why do we wear a Pink Shirt on the last Wednesday in February?

“The idea comes from two incredible Nova Scotia high school students in 2007. When a fellow student was being bullied for wearing a pink shirt, they decided to take a stand. They went out and bought pink shirts to give to fellow students to show their support for a boy who was being bullied simply for wearing a pink shirt.”

<http://www.pinkshirtday.ca/why-pink-t-shirts.html>

We continue to recognize this day to show our support against bullying. Thank you to the students who did wear a pink shirt on February 23... again we did not capture the true participation from this day, but we do have these two pictures!





Elementary report cards are going home this month which means Parent Teacher Interviews are just around the corner.

Parents of Jr/Sr students. Our next scheduled PTI isn't until May! That's a long way away, so

we'd like to invite you to talk to your student's teachers anytime. Progress can be seen online, but a mark doesn't always tell the whole story.

Contact between home and school is vital to the progress of all students. It is well known that students do better in school when parents are involved. Staying in touch with your student's teacher about his/her progress at school is just one way to be involved.

You can work with teachers to best decide how this looks for you. Perhaps you like to speak over the phone, through email or in person. All scenarios can be arranged to suit your needs.

Here's a staff directory to help you get started:

School # 780-494-3510

Mrs. MacDowall: [macdowalls@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:macdowalls@prsd.ab.ca)

Mrs. Charchuk: [charchukj@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:charchukj@prsd.ab.ca)

Mr. Bjornson: [bjornsond@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:bjornsond@prsd.ab.ca)

Mrs. Przybylski: [przybylskio@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:przybylskio@prsd.ab.ca)

Ms. Lawrence: [lawrencj@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:lawrencj@prsd.ab.ca)

Mrs. Berg: [bergtj@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:bergtj@prsd.ab.ca)

Mr. McEwen: [mcewenr@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:mcewenr@prsd.ab.ca)

Mrs. McEwen: [mcewent@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:mcewent@prsd.ab.ca)

Mrs. Bjorklund: [bjorklci@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:bjorklci@prsd.ab.ca)

Mrs. Bjornson: [bjornsons@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:bjornsons@prsd.ab.ca)

Ms. Dalke: [dalkea@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:dalkea@prsd.ab.ca)

VEP Teachers this semester

Mr. Sheets: [sheetsb@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:sheetsb@prsd.ab.ca)

Mr. Robinson: [robinsonp@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:robinsonp@prsd.ab.ca)

Mr. Butte: [buttes@prsd.ab.ca](mailto:buttes@prsd.ab.ca)

## **Tiger Award Winners for February**



**BR:** Kloe Kobbert, Alyssa Bennett, Michael Basnett, Trishtan Adoviso, Brayden Wager, Deo Kubbernus, Jace Hoffman

**Middle Row:** Keegan Kowal, Tawny Blake, Austynn Duggan, Everley Basnett, Tayen Schischikowsky, Maddi Smith, Daisha Smith, Daylah Ostrem, Jaden Bennett, Bree Schischikowsky

**FR:** Samantha Kuntz, Denise King, Sakura King, Billy Bean, Brynn Bennett, Maverick Campbell, Rylan Chalmers