



April 2021

Westglen School

PAWPRINTS

Westglen will engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them in a middle school setting

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear parents,

What a difference it makes to have some spring weather! However, that also means mud so we would like to ask that you check with your child to make sure that they have a dedicated pair of outdoor shoes that they can remove before entering the building. As well, please check that your child has a refillable water bottle at school with them as our water fountains are not in use at this time.

I know I have expressed our gratitude for everyone's continued compliance with our Covid protocols but it is especially true as we enter into our (gulp) second year of this. Covid fatigue is real and we are all feeling its effects. This [article](#) was recently shared with me and is a worthwhile read on some of the issues that our middle schoolers are currently experiencing and how we can support them. Our staff continues to be impressed with how resilient our students are. "We're not all in the same boat, but as far as the pandemic, we're all in the same storm. We need to be kind, look to the future and remember that young people are built to last."

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"Promise me, you will always see the good in every child"
Mrs. Linda Pothier

HAPPY EASTER





STRONG LEADERSHIP AT EVERY LEVEL SETS STUDENTS AND STAFF UP FOR SUCCESS

A MESSAGE FROM THE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Supporting the growth of our leaders has always been a priority for Chinook's Edge and there has never been a greater need for exceptional leadership than this past year. Trustees are proud that our classroom, school and division office leaders are determined to ensure our work of teaching and learning is continuing successfully. We are so grateful for their efforts.

Without a doubt, leadership extends to parents who are leading the learning from home when called upon. We can see that our Chinook's Edge culture of caring, collaboration and respect is present in our shared resolve to move learning forward for our students. We have witnessed evidence of hard work and goodwill in all of our school communities and appreciate leadership at all levels that come together to support students.

We would be remiss when speaking of leadership not to mention that the culture of leadership comes from the top. It is with extreme pride that we take a moment to recognize Kurt Sacher and the recent announcement that he has received the EXL Award for Excellence in School System Leadership from the College of Alberta School Superintendents. Kurt has a gift at building relationships. He is passionate about his work and authentically cares about students, staff and families.

It is these leadership qualities that ensure Chinook's Edge is the division where students come first.

Chair Holly Bilton,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

For Trustee updates and to read the latest Board eNews, please visit our [website](#).



We'd like to say a big
THANK YOU
to Stanley Technical
Services in Olds for their
recent donation of masks
and hand sanitizer for our
school. We appreciate
them thinking of us!

WESTGLEN PARENT SURVEY & ALBERTA EDUCATION ASSURANCE SURVEY INFORMATION

Online orders
for April Meal
Deals are due
by April 8th

Westglen Parent Survey

The Westglen Parent Survey is a great chance to give us some feedback in a few specific areas. This is a great help to us as we plan and begin to prepare for 2021-22. The survey will be open until April 9th and can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#).

Alberta Education Assurance Survey

Alberta Education will soon be conducting the **Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) Surveys**. Alberta Education will mail a Random Access Code (RAC) to the homes of parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 in all schools in Alberta. This year parents will be completing the survey online. Instructions for doing so will have been included in your package, however, please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions. Parents still have the option of completing the AEA survey on paper. Requests for a paper survey or translated survey can be directed to your school principal. Westglen students in grade 7 will also complete a survey online. All student surveys will be completed at school.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, and is an important part of our planning process.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Mountain View
Family Resource
Network offers
great programs
for youth and
families. Click
[HERE](#) for program
information, and
[HERE](#) for the
calendar of events

Grade 6 Longhouse Projects



April 2021



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1 (Day 4)	2 Good Friday	3
4	5 Easter Monday	6 (Day 5)	7 (Day 1)	8 (Day 2) **Online orders for Meal Deals on the 15th and 29th due today! **6A Swimming at 1:00pm	9 (Day 3)	10
11	12 (Day 4) 5A Swimming at 1:00pm	13 (Day 5)	14 (Day 1)	15 (Day 2) **Meal Deal - Burgers from JD's (pre-order online only) **5B Swimming at 1:00pm	16 (Day 3) 5C Swimming at 10:30am	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Spring Break - April 19-23						
25	26 (Day 4)	27 (Day 5)	28 (Day 1)	29 (Day 2) Meal Deal - Subway (pre-order online only)	30 (Day 3)	

CYBER SAFE

FREE VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS

Are you and your family cyber safe?

The internet and social media has become an amazing tool for connecting and educating, but with limited regulation, there is potential for privacy issues, bullying and criminal activity. YouthLink Calgary is providing parents and guardians with the tools to keep your family safe online.

Parents,

This is what you need to know:

- ▶ Social media and youth mental health
- ▶ Privacy protection
- ▶ Cybercrimes

[youthlinkcalgary.com/
crime-prevention/cybersafe/](https://youthlinkcalgary.com/crime-prevention/cybersafe/)



CYBER SAFE VIRTUAL PRESENTATION

Wednesday, April 7th 2021

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Online via Zoom

The Mountain View Family Resource Network invites you to tune in to this FREE virtual presentation by Youthlink Calgary. Register below to receive your Zoom link!



Visit
www.mvfrn.ca

Email
info@mvfrn.ca



TUESDAY, APRIL 6
6:30PM - 8:00PM

Online via Zoom

If Zoom access is a barrier, please contact us

Viewers under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult

Contact Shannon from the Mountain View Family Resource Network to register
403-559-7894 / shannon@mvfrn.ca



YOUTH TALK: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

DRUGS & ADDICTION

IN MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY

TOPICS

LOCAL TRENDS

DRUG AWARENESS

RISKS OF USE

ADDICTION

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF USE

WAYS TO SUPPORT THOSE WHO ARE STRUGGLING WITH ADDICTION

Presentation by Jody Tomm - AHS addiction counsellor
with Olds Community Addiction and Mental Health