October 2021

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

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

And that was September! Phew! We packed a lot into our first month back: Golf Tournament, Volleyball, Cross Country, Terry Fox and Orange Shirt Day to name a few. And that's all on top of the daily learning that is happening in classrooms. If your child is tired at night, there's a reason!

Our first Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meeting will be Tuesday, October 26 from 12:15-1pm. The PAC provides a way for members of the community to consult with and offer advice to the principal and the school boards.

School councils:

- Focus on what is best for all students in the school
- Consider the interests of all school stakeholders
- Develop, maintain and reflect the culture of the school
- Represent the parent voice in the school community
- Our meetings will be held via <u>Google Meet</u>. At this month's PAC, we will share with you the plan that is in place at Westglen for our focus on literacy and numeracy at Westglen.

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**Right:** Westglen students participated in the 24th Annual Golf Tournament on September 29th. There were 26 Teams and it was a gorgeous afternoon at Didsbury Golf Course.



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> Principal: Carolyn Massel

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

> Parent-Teacher Conferences Oct. 22 & 28 3:30 - 6:30 pm

Appointments can be booked online after October 7th.

## READY TO LEARN IN OUR SAFE AND CARING SCHOOLS



## A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

In Chinook's Edge School Division, we take pride in building meaningful relationships and trust with our students. This is a critically important foundation for creating a safe and caring environment in our schools. I want you to know that our caring staff are as committed to developing your child's well-being as they are to ensuring they learn at the highest levels possible, even in difficult times.

Throughout the pandemic it has been a struggle for all of us at different times along the way. Safety is always on our minds as we work hard to consistently follow the guidelines from Alberta Health. We are very proud of our staff for all that they continue to do to support your child in finding success in spite of what is taking place all around us.

In the days ahead we want to not only be safe during the pandemic, but to also be prepared for the hazards of winter weather. We know from previous years that winter weather can fall upon us at any time. Please make yourself and your child aware of our inclement weather procedures so that no one is caught off guard by an interruption in busing service or a brief school closure. Please take a moment to visit our <u>Inclement Weather</u> <u>procedures</u> and ensure that your child is dressed for winter weather when they either ride one of our buses or walk to school on a cold day.

For Trustee updates and to read the latest **Board eNews**, please visit our website. .

Kurt Sacher Superintendent of Schools

### 2020-2021 YEARBOOKS

We have some extra Yearbooks!! If your child would like one, please purchase on Student Quickpay and they will be given one at school.



Subway lunch will be on Thursday, October 21st. Please order on Student Quickpay before October 14th at noon.



Grade 7 & 8 Girls participated in a Volleyball Clinic

Your Trustee, Gord Kerr, is always available and happy to hear from you. Visit the Board section of our division website at <u>www.cesd73.ca</u> for his\_contact information.



Superintendent, Kurt Sacher, can be contacted directly

#### **Mission:**

Chinook's Edge School Division will engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them.

#### Vision:

Chinook's Edge School Division will be universally recognized as a collaborative learning community where learning is personalized for all students to achieve success as compassionate and innovative global citizens.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### 2021-22 ANNUAL DEMOGRAPHIC UPDATE

Thank you for updating your child's Annual Demographic Form each year to verify that the information that we have on file is correct.

This is a key process to ensure that your child's emergency contact and guardianship information is accurate as we work together for your child's education. Earlier this fall, an email was sent to all families requesting the completion of your child's demographic update. Thank you to those who have already completed this process. At this time we ask families who have not yet completed their child's annual demographic update to please sign into the parent portal and go to the School Engage link to submit your form.

Link for PowerSchool Parent Portal:

https://powerschool.cesd73.ca/public/home.html

Please click on SchoolEngage (bottom left) to take you to the demographic form. If you have any questions, call the office.

Thank you for completing this form prior to October 15, 2021 or as changes occur during the school year.

### **PICTURE RETAKES**

D & H School Photos will be back on Thursday, October 7th for Retakes or for any student's who missed their photos last month.

### **TURKEY TROT**



Westglen's annual Turkey Trot is on ++ Wednesday, October 6th at 1:30pm. Students participate, by grade, in a cross country run. Prior to the run, students practice the course in PE and record their times. Before students run the Turkey Trot, we record the estimated time that they think they will complete the course in. The student in each grade who runs the course closest to their estimated time, wins a turkey (just in time for Thanksgiving!). The winners will be given a gift certificate to pick up their turkey at BuyLow Foods. These will be announced at school and winners will be presented Thursday, October 7th.



Our students raised \$293.60 for The Terry Fox Foundation!

## October 2021

| Sun     | Mon  | Tues  | Wed   | Thurs  | Fri   | Sat |
|---------|--|---|---|--|---|-----|
|         |  |   |   |  | 1 (Day 1)                                       | 2   |
| 3       | 4 (Day 2)  | 5 (Day 3)   | 6 (Day 4)<br>X-Country<br>Zones Gr.7/8 in<br>Trochu<br>ANNUAL<br>TURKEY TROT<br>@1:30pm | 7 (Day 5)<br>PICTURE<br>RETAKE DAY<br>Sign up for<br>Parent Teacher<br>Conferences<br>Online | 8 NO<br>SCHOOL FOR<br>STAFF &<br>STUDENTS       | 9   |
| 10<br>T | 11<br>THANKSGIVING<br>DAY - NO<br>SCHOOL<br>HAPPY<br>hanksgiving | 12 (Day 1)  | 13 (Day 2)  | 14 (Day 3)<br>Orders due by<br>noon for<br>Subway Lunch                                      | 15 (Day 4)                                      | 16  |
| 17      | 18 (Day 5)   | 19 (Day 1)  | 20 (Day 2)<br>Parent/Teacher<br>Conferences<br>3:30-6:30 pm                             | 21 (Day 3)<br>Subway Lunch   | 22 NO<br>SCHOOL FOR<br>STUDENTS<br>(Collab Day) | 23  |
| 24      | 25 (Day 4)   | 26 (Day 5)<br>Parent<br>Advisory<br>Council (PAC)<br>Meeting<br>12:15-1:00 pm | 27 (Day 1)  | 28 (Day 2)<br>Parent/Teacher<br>Conferences<br>3:30-6:30 pm                                  | 29 (Day 3)                                      | 30  |