

NEWSLETTER

APRIL

| 2025



The Turtle carries truth. Truth is symbolic of law and principle. Since the beginning of time the turtle has not changed. The turtle has been chosen to be the bearer of truth and the basic truth of the laws of nature have not changed. The turtle has been able to adapt to change without changing; thus he represents truth. He also represents time. His shell has thirteen big plates, symbolizing the thirteen moons in one year.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parkdale Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to April! We have now officially begun spring and started the final stretch of the school year.

Our WMBA basketball program will be starting for all those Parkdale students that registered. This is a great opportunity for our students to improve their basketball skills, meet other students from across Wetaskiwin and have a fun after-school activity.

Our Drama class is currently working with the Citadel Theater in Edmonton to have a Drama Instructor come to Parkdale to work with our students. If successful, we will be welcoming this professional Drama Instructor to our school for seven sessions. This will be a huge opportunity for our young actors to spend time with and learn from a professional here in Edmonton. Fingers crossed we can make this happen!

We will be having our final round of Parent Teacher Interviews on April 16th from 4:00pm - 7:00pm. We will be posting a link to our website in April for Parents to secure a time to speak with their child's Teacher. Be sure to look out for this. If you can't find the link, please contact the school office and we would be happy to find a timeslot for you.

I also want to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to all of our Parents, Guardians, Family members, and Staff that contributed to our Cookie Dough Fundraiser. This was a huge success! The overall funds gathered greatly exceeded our expectations. Thanks to all of you, we are proud to be able to have FitSet Ninja come to our school on June 24th. Thank you all.

Michael Raby










WOLFPACK

CALENDAR

subject to change



WOLFPACK

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3 	4	5
6	7	8 Spring Photos ECS Open House 6:30- 7:30pm	9	10 	11	12
13	14	15	16 Parent Teacher Interviews 4-7pm	17 PLC Day- NO SCHOOL	18 Good Friday- NO SCHOOL	19
20	21 Easter Monday- NO SCHOOL	22  Booster Juice- Smoothie Day  	23	24 	25	26
27	28	29	30	1 	2	3



= School Closure- NO SCHOOL



= PLC Day- NO SCHOOL



= Kindergarten Days



= Pizza Thursdays

Fundraising- Parent Advisory Council

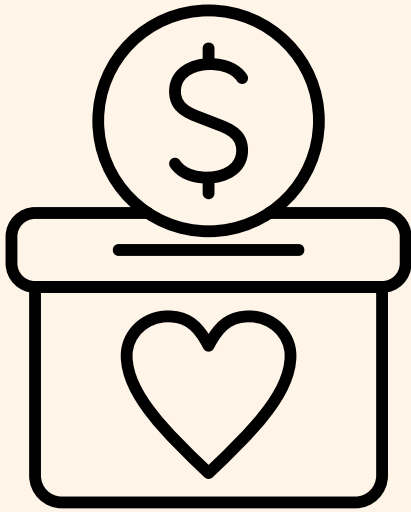
Thank you everyone for participating in our True North Fundraiser. With your support, we reached our goal and will be bringing back Fitset Ninja to the school for all our students to enjoy in June!

Special shout out to our top five sellers. They each received a Parkdale hoodie for their efforts. Congratulations to Grade 3 for raising the most money! They will have their class Pizza Party on April 16!



1. Aiden
2. Anastasia
3. Ty
4. Zaydin
5. Emily

Fundraising- Parent Advisory Council



We continue to fundraise for
Parkdale School through Mabel's
Labels!

mabel's labels

<https://mabelslabels.ca/en-CA/fundraising/support>

HOT LUNCH

Booster Juice

355 mL for
\$5.00
710 mL for
\$7.00

SMOOTHIE DAY APRIL 22

- Strawberry Sunshine (strawberries, bananas, passion fruit, guava, & probiotic yogurt)
- Mango Hurricane (mangos, strawberries, passion fruit, guava, & probiotic yogurt)
- Pirates Nectar (mangos, pineapples, pomegranate, & probiotic yogurt)
- Tropical Tornado (mangos, bananas, strawberries, passion fruit, guava, & probiotic yogurt)
- Very Berry (blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, cranberries, & probiotic yogurt)



→ **NO SUBSTITUTIONS!**

**Deadline to submit your order(s) is Wednesday,
April 16, 2025 at 11:59pm. No late orders will be
accepted!**

ECS 2025/26

PARKDALE ECS OPEN HOUSE

registered ECS students for
2025/26 & new registrations!

Come tour your future classroom and
meet your Kindergarten teacher!

Snacks & refreshments will be
provided

April 8, 2025
6:30-7:30 pm



Student MUST be 5 by December 31 2025 or born by
December 31 2020.

UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

In the works.....



PARKDALE FIELD TRIPS

*We offer fun and exciting field
trips throughout the year!*

*Permission forms/fees are to be
completed/paid ONLINE through
your PowerSchool Parent Portal.
Please call the office if you
require assistance.*

*Don't miss out!
Make sure you are
subscribed to our
SchoolMessenger
Email & SMS!*



DREAMS TAKE FLIGHT

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RAFFLE TICKETS: \$5/EACH

**PRIZE: 2 AIR CANADA
SYSTEM WIDE ECONOMY
CLASS TICKETS!**

**PURCHASE DEADLINE:
MAY 30, 2025**

DRAW DATE: JUNE 13, 2025

**IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN
PURCHASING RAFFLE
TICKETS, PLEASE COME TO
THE OFFICE. * CASH ONLY**

LIMITED QUANTITY!



We are thrilled to announce that Parkdale School has once again been approved as an agency with Dreams Take Flight!

This incredible program offers the opportunity for a few selected students to experience the magic of Disney.

To help make these dreams a reality, we need your help! We are selling raffle tickets for 2 Air Canada system wide economy class tickets * Approx. retail value \$7,000.00.

If you are interested in purchasing raffle tickets, please come to the office. Cash only! Limited quantity!

Or if you would like to make a direct donation, please visit: <https://dreamstakeflight.ca/donate/>

WOLFPACK SPORTS

Badminton Season! Follow pdwolfsports on Instagram to stay up to date!

**Physical Education:
Mr. White**



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Congratulations to our Jr. High Basketball Teams!



Huge THANK YOU to Coach Wicklund, Coach Noll and Coach Hill for their fantastic work this basketball season!! At Parkdale, we are very proud of all the hard work that our athletes have put in, and hope to see them continue with their athletic endeavours in the future. GO WOLFPACK!!!

CLASS HIGHLIGHTS

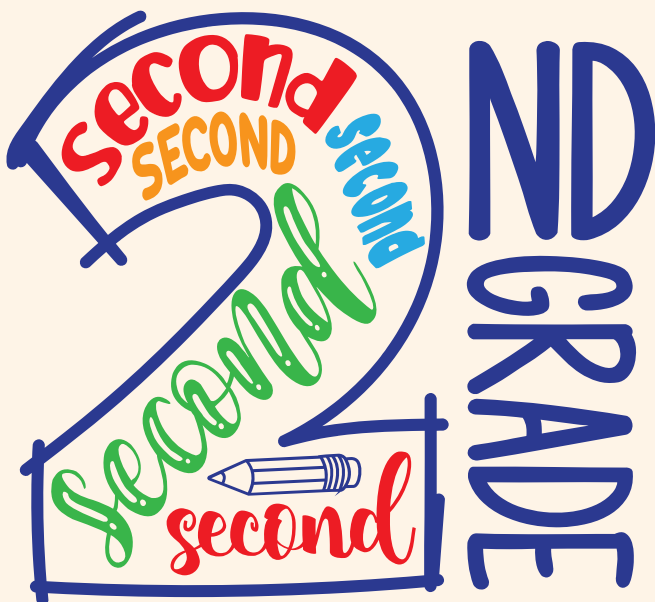


The grade 1's had a blast at gymnastics and visited Clear Vista school for the Beppie concert.

CLASS HIGHLIGHTS



The grade 2's have had a fun month! We got to attend a special music concert, we had 3 days of gymnastics and we made leprechaun houses!!



CLASS HIGHLIGHTS

The grade 7s and the grade 1s worked together to plan our April assembly presentation about the sacred teaching of truth. They worked together to make a list of thirteen universal truths we can all benefit from following in life. Here are their truths:

1. Be honest.
2. Think positively.
3. Be responsible.
4. Knowledge is power.
5. Hard work pays off.
6. Be a good friend.
7. Always choose kindness.
8. Expect the unexpected.
9. Very little in life is black and white.
10. First impressions are important.
11. Treat others how you want to be treated.
12. Choose your battles, choose peace.
13. Money can't buy happiness.
- 14.

Truth is represented by the turtle, who has 13 sections on her back. Turtle holds up all the other sacred teachings, and truth underlies them all.

BGC WETASKIWIN

Out of School Care Spaces Available



- before and after school care
- licensed programs
- government subsidies available
- transportation to and from schools
- daily snacks

780-352-4643 info@bgcwetaskiwin.ca
www.bgcwetaskiwin.ca



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LEARNON AGES: 12+ 3:15PM-6:00PM Starts: September 3rd, 2024	LEARNON AGES: 12+ 3:15PM-6:00PM TUTORING 4:00PM-5:00PM	LEARNON AGES: 12+ 3:15PM-7:00PM	LEARNON AGES: 12+ 3:15PM-7:00PM	LEARNON AGES: 12+ 3:15PM-6:00PM
THRIVE AGES: 12+ 3:30PM-5:00PM Starts: September 9th, 2024	 AGES: 13+ 3:30PM-5:00PM Starts: September 17th, 2024 Ends: December 10th, 2024	 AGES: 10-13 3:30PM-5:00PM Starts: September 11th, 2024	 AGES: 13+ 3:30PM-5:00PM Starts: September 5th, 2024	
		 AGES: 14-18 5:00PM-6:30PM Starts: September 11th, 2024	 AGES: 13+ 5:00PM-7:00PM Starts: September 5th, 2024	

Contact Cassidy to register for programs or for additional information:

Phone: (587)-742-8003 Email: cassady@bgcwetaskiwin.ca

5109 51 Street
Wetaskiwin, AB T9A 2A5

BGC WETASKIWIN

Annual General Meeting

March 31, 2025 @ 7:30 p.m.
5109 51 St. Wetaskiwin AB

Notice: Change of Bylaws to be Proposed
for more information contact Dana 780-352-4643



Spaces Available

Early Learning and Child Care Centre

- Flight Inspired (Alberta Early Learning and Care Curriculum Framework)
- Social Emotional Learning (through Access Support and Participation (ASAP))
- Licensed Program
- Government subsidies available



✓ Dedicated Staff

✓ Fun & Educational Programs



Contact Kerona
780-352-4632 Ex 6



kerona@bgcwetaskiwin.ca



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Licensed Out of School Care

GRADES
K-6

WHAT
WE
PROVIDE

- Before and After School
- Daily Snacks
- Transportation to and from schools
- Government Subsidy Available



SPACES AVAILABLE OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

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TO REGISTER

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info@bgcwetaskiwin.ca

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Are you ready to ruummmble?

One of the referees is a grade 8 Parkdale student, Oscar, that is the youngest referee in CanAm professional wrestling history!

He has been in the ring in Innisfail, Olds, Okotoks, Calgary, and Spruce View refereeing over the past several weeks. He is quite excited to have the opportunity to do this in Wetaskiwin!

COMMUNITY EVENTS



FCSS Wetaskiwin Family and Community Support Services

Free Volunteer Based Income Tax Preparation

For those with a simple tax situation and modest income.

- ✓ Max Income of \$35,000 per single individual
- ✓ Max Income of \$45,000 per couple
- ✓ Add \$2,500 per dependent

*Please ensure you bring a valid government issued ID.

We cannot do taxes for:

Ineligibilities:

- Farming Income
- Rental Income
- Business Income and Expenses
- Foreign Income
- Capital Gains
- Self-employment
- Bankruptcies
- Investment interest over \$1000.00

Program Period:
March 3 - May 30, 2025

Drop-ins Welcome
4802B, 40 Ave
Wetaskiwin

Info@wetaskiwinfcss.com
780-312-7533

WETASKIWIN OLYMPIANS

Guppy Program

May 5 - July 23

For kids ages 4-6 years old

M/W 4:00-4:30

T/Th 4:00-4:30

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Website

<https://www.gomotionapp.com/team/canwo/page/home>

Email

wosc.reg@gmail.com

\$160
per season



Inclusive Activities

- Learn to swim
- Learn to breathe
- Learn to float
- Interactive and fun!



Wetaskiwin Spray Park

83%

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL

WE ARE REQUESTING, AND TRULY NEEDING, THE SUPPORT OF OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO ARE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE, IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS PROJECT A REALITY.

The project will be executed in phases, beginning with the development of the spray park in summer of 2025, followed by the construction of a playground and other park amenities when funding allows. We have raised approximately 83% of funds for the spray park alone.

DONATE AT THE MANLUK CENTRE IN PERSON OR ONLINE VIA QR CODE. CONTACT US TO ARRANGE DONATION THROUGH THE WETASKIWIN & DISTRICT HERITAGE MUSEUM.

NAMING SPONSOR: MANLUK SPRAY PARK






wetaskiwinpraypark@gmail.com


[@wetaskiwinpraypark](https://www.facebook.com/wetaskiwinpraypark)

MASKWACIS EVENTS


Ermineskin Brighter Futures Presents:



Anxiety, Depression and Psychosis Workshop



Finding Balance and Managing Change
(19 participants)



- Dates: April 8, 2025 – April 10, 2025
- Time: 10 am to 3 pm
- Facilitator: Gail Lightning
- LOCATION: MOBILE MENTAL HEALTH

CALL 780-585-2000 TO REGISTER



WATER PARK FIELD TRIP

VAN LEAVES AT 11:00AM FROM JIM RS SPORTS BUILDING

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

SNACKS AND REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

New Date
FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH 2025


AGES 10+

TO REGISTER: (780) 585- 3088



ERMINEKIN JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL GYM
TRADITIONAL FEAST AT 4:00 P.M.

KKI ROUND DANCE



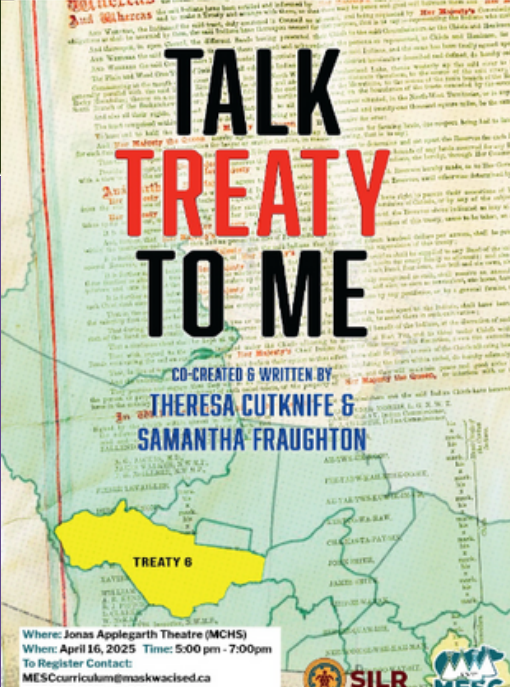
APRIL 12 2025
6:00 P.M.

MCS: Elmer Rattlesnake, Mountain Cree Camp
Ben Cardinal, Saddle Lake Cree Nation
STICKMAN: Jamison Larocque, Maskwacis
INVITED SINGERS: Marlon Deschamps- Northern Cree
Leandre Tootoosis- Poundmaker
Terry Paskemin- Blackstone
Dallas Waskahat- Cree Confederation

First 20 singers paid - Light lunch provided - Giveaway
No outside solicitation. This is a drug & alcohol FREE event.
Security on site.

Contact: Andrea 780-585-3721 Andrea.M@kkanik.com
KKI is not responsible for theft, damages or injury.

ALL MINORS MUST HAVE ADULT SUPERVISION



TALK TREATY TO ME

CO-CREATED & WRITTEN BY
THERESA CUTKNEIF & SAMANTHA FRAUGHTON

Where: Jonas Applegarth Theatre (MCHS)
When: April 16, 2025 Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00pm
To Register Contact:
MESCurriculum@maskwacised.ca
(780)585-0811 ext:201

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ERMINEKIN CREE NATION

Ermineskin Community Wellness, Brighter Futures & Recreation Presents:

Easter Mini Carnival

Ermineskin Arena April 18, 2025 1pm - 3pm
Jim RS Bldg.

Activities: Facepainting, Balloon Twisting, Wagon Rides, Photo Booth

Snacks: Candy Bags, Hot Dogs, Popcorn

Special Guest: The Easter Bunny

*Subject to Change
*COVID-19 Protocols in Effect

MILLET COMMUNITY

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!



Batter up!

Join the Millet Minor Ball team this spring
and experience the thrill of the game!!



Rally Cap - \$95 - Mon & Wed
U9 - \$160 - Tues & Thurs
U11 - \$175 - Tues & Thurs
U13 - \$185 - Mon, Wed & Fri
U15 - \$190 - Mon & Wed
U18 - \$270 - Tues, Thurs & Fri
plus \$150 deposit
(\$50-jersey, \$100 - volunteer)

<https://milletminorball.ca> Need help with registration fees?
Contact Jump Start or the Ken Ogston Fund.



This is exciting News! We are soooo close to our goal, did you know we only need \$60,000 more before we can start building and are in the planning stages of the new Millet Skatepark. We'll be announcing more exciting updates soon!

In the meantime...
here's how you can help:

- Become a Member
- Donate today
- Volunteer (we are looking for excavation help)

Contact Tera or Kelly at:
friendsofthemilletyouthsociety@gmail.com



FAMILY & INDIGENOUS SUPPORT LIAISONS

Family Services

Ms. Lesley Cropper

lesley.cropper@wrps11.ca
780-352-4594 (work)

Indigenous Services

Ms. Rochelle Minde

rochelle.minde@wrps11.ca
780-352-4594 (work)



**Maskwacis Mobile
Mental Health**

**HAVE A MENTAL HEALTH CONCERN
THAT YOU NEED TO TALK
ABOUT WITH SOMEONE?
CALL OUR HOTLINE AT
780.362.2150**

Parent Advisory Council

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

- Attend our next PAC meeting: Learn more about our initiatives and how you can contribute.
- Volunteer your time: Help with fundraising events, classroom support, or other activities.
- Donate to our fundraising efforts: Your contribution will directly impact our students' experience at Parkdale School

WHY JOIN THE PAC?

- Make a difference: Your voice matters in shaping the future of our school.
- Connect with other parents: Build relationships and create a strong community.
- Support our students: Help provide enriching programs and resources.

TOGETHER, WE CAN CREATE A THRIVING SCHOOL COMMUNITY FOR ALL!



Email alanda.warford@wrps11.ca



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♥ **SUPPORT** ♥





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