



April 2025

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We hope everyone had a wonderful Spring Break! As we enter the spring season, it's a great time to acknowledge the hard work and progress our students and staff have made so far this year.

We look forward to upcoming school events and opportunities that allow students to apply what they have learned and connect with their peers. Thank you for your continued support at home—it plays an important role in helping our students succeed.

Rosanne McIntyre
Principal

Twyla Badry
Vice Principal

General Information

Upcoming Dates

April 7	Parent Council @ 6:30 in the Library
April 10-11	Grade 9 and Kinder Photos
April 10	Grade 5 Play Parkland
April 17	Grade 5 Play Parkland
April 18	Good Friday - No School
April 21	Easter Monday - No School
April 23	Administrative Professionals Day
April 24	Grade 5 Play Parkland
April 25	Hot Lunch Basiles Grade 9 Fundraising Lunch
April 28	Volunteer Appreciation Week
April 29-30	Visual Arts Celebration - Location TBA
May 5	Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 in the Library
May 5	Bus Driver Appreciation Day



Accessible Parking

Please remember that the Accessible Parking stalls in the front parking lot are reserved for vehicles displaying an appropriate placard. These are not loading zones and must be left available for those who need them.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Although we had to cancel our March Parent-Teacher Interviews, we would still like to give the opportunity for teachers and families to discuss student progress. In lieu of the traditional interview process, families will receive an email from the classroom teacher by the end of the week and appointments will be scheduled through the teacher, as needed. Please do not contact the school for an appointment prior to receiving that email. We value our ongoing partnership and look forward to continuing to support your child's learning and growth.

2025-2026 School Calendar

The Parkland School Division [calendar](#) for next year has now been approved and can be found on the [PSD website](#).

Grade 6 and Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Tests

Our grade 6 and 9 classes will be participating in the Provincial Achievement Tests this spring. All exams begin at 9:00am. Please note the dates for these assessments:

	Grade 6	Grade 9
English Language Arts - Part A	Wednesday, May 28, 2025	Thursday, May 29, 2025
English Language Arts - Part B	Thursday, June 12, 2025	Thursday, June 12, 2025
Math - Part A	Friday, June 13, 2025	Friday, June 13, 2025
Math - Part B	Tuesday, June 17, 2025	Tuesday, June 17, 2025
Social Studies	Wednesday, June 18, 2025	Wednesday, June 18, 2025
Science	n/a	Thursday, June 19, 2025

Please note that finals for Grade 7 and 8 students will be written on the same days as PATs.

Please see the Alberta Education website for more information on the 2025 Gr. 6 and 9 PATs:

Grade 6 https://www.alberta.ca/system/files/custom_downloaded_images/edc-grade-6-parent-guide.pdf

Grade 9 https://www.alberta.ca/system/files/custom_downloaded_images/edc-grade-9-parent-guide.pdf

Student Registration - Important

Important Registration Dates:

- **Friday, March 28, 2025 at 4:30pm** - Registration deadline. Visit our [Registration](#) page.
- **Friday, June 20, 2025** - Bus pass deadline to make payment arrangements or pay-in-full.
- **Early July 2025** - Bus passes/route numbers will be mailed to parents in July.

Lifetouch.

Picture Day is Coming!

Kindergarten & Grade 9 Celebration Pictures on April 10 & 11, 2025
Blueberry School



What to Expect:



Students are
photographed on
Picture Day



Proofs are sent home
with your student



Order packages
and more on
mylifetouch.ca

Student Absences

To ensure the safety of all of our students at Blueberry School, it is imperative that we are aware of when they are absent from school. To report your child's absence please use our website:

<https://blueberry.psd.ca/parents/absence>

If at all possible, please do not phone or email the school regarding student absences.

School Fees

[School Fees](#) for 2024-2025 are added to your child's PowerSchool account. Fees can be paid with a credit card online through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). Feel free to contact the office if you need further assistance.



Yearbook

Our Yearbook for 2024-2025 is available for preorder on Powerschool. It will be distributed by June.

Visiting Blueberry

To ensure our school day runs smoothly, we ask that you contact the office if you need to drop off a student after bell time in the morning. If a pick-up is needed mid-day, parents/guardians can call the main office and the student will meet them there. All visitors are required to check in at the office.

Grade 9 Farewell Fundraising Lunches

Our Grade 9 students are offering hot lunches to support fundraising efforts for our Grade 9 Farewell and year-end celebration. Please order through your PowerSchool account under new items. No cash will be accepted. Make sure to check out and pay for your order as it does not stay in your cart.

Save the Dates

Please stay informed using our [school calendar](#), but also note some important year end dates:

- June 26th Jr High Awards (am) and Grade 9 Farewell (pm) *Grade 9 Farewell concludes at regular dismissal time*
- June 26th Final Report Cards live in Powerschool at 3:30pm

Entering and Exiting Blueberry

Students enter and exit the school through their designated doors. Exterior doors are locked during instructional hours. Students who arrive after 8:01 am are asked to enter through the main entrance.

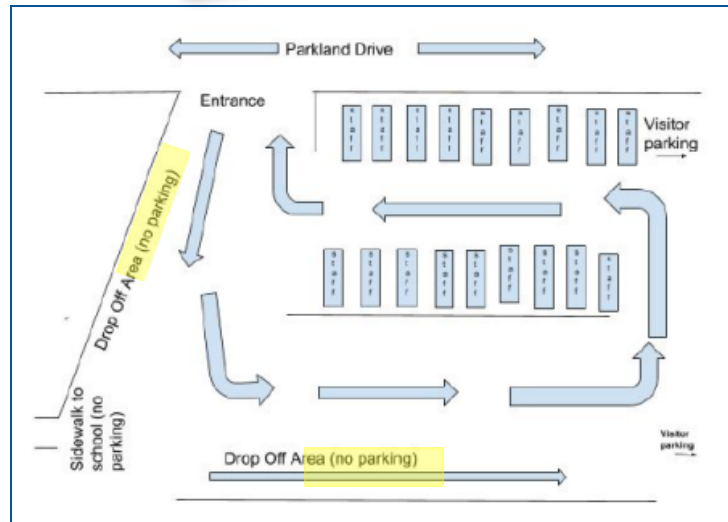
School Busses

Students are only allowed to ride their registered bus and are not able to take a friend's bus at any time. PSD does not allow "guest riders" on buses. Thank you for making alternate arrangements if your child is going to a friend's after school. For bus status updates, please see the [PSD website](#) and/or download the [Bus Status app](#).

Drop-Off & Pick-Up

Please note the following important information regarding **child safety** and parking at Blueberry School:

1. A reminder that there is NO PARKING in the drop-off areas in the morning from 7:40 - 8:00 am and from 2:20 - 2:50 pm daily.
2. Please be mindful of students and staff who are trying to cross the parking lot to get to and from the school.
3. Our front parking lot goes in a "one-way" direction. If you are dropping off your children, please go around to the drop-off area, and then continue around the parking lot to exit. Please do not make U-turns at the entrance after you drop your children off.
4. If you are parking to come in with your children, please use the far west side of the front (south) parking lot to park (there is no parking in the drop-off area).
5. The back parking lot (where the buses come in), is closed to vehicles while the buses are there (arrival and dismissal times).
6. Note that the parking stall by the gate is designated as accessible for those people who require it. It is not for general public use.
7. There is **no parking permitted in the North parking lot** during bus pick-up times (7:45 am - 8:00 am and 2:45 pm - 4:30 pm). Please do not park in the North parking lot to pick up students at the end of the school day as you will have to wait for buses to depart.

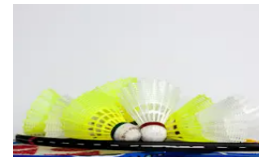


We appreciate your support in making our parking lot a safe environment for all!

Athletics

Badminton

Badminton teams have now been posted and we look forward to an exciting season. This year's coaches are Mr. Weinhandl and Ms. Lasuik. Schedules of the practices and games have been sent out to parents.



Stronger Together Newsletter

Check out this month's Family Support Stronger [Together Newsletter](#).



PARKLAND
SCHOOL DIVISION

Stronger Together

A monthly newsletter with information to help you and your family navigate your child's educational journey.

April 2025

Calendar

Check out our [school website](#) to see our school's [monthly calendar](#).

Blueberry School Council & Fundraising Committee

School Council

Blueberry School Council 2024-25:

- Chair - Sarah Corker
- Vice Chair - Jen Richens
- Secretary - Mercy Rosborough
- Members at Large - Karlyn Prince and Cayla Nelson

Save the Date: The next School Council Meeting will be held in person and online on **April 7, 2025 at 6:30pm** in the library. Please consider joining us either in person or by [clicking this link](#).

Fundraising Committee

Blueberry Fundraising meeting is on **April 14, 2025 at 7pm** Google Meet code: [hnm-yemf-vyw](#)

BLUEBERRY SCHOOL
Fundraising
HEALTHY AND CONNECTED 2024-2025



Our **K-6**
Read-a-thon kicked
off on March 17th!
A Read-a-thon makes
it easy, fun, and
rewarding to practice
reading at home and at
school!

Let's **READ**, win **PRIZES**, and **RAISE**
money for our school!

Over the next few weeks,
READ as much as possible!

***READ** anything...

***READ** anywhere...

***READ** with anyone (or by yourself) ...

Record how much you have read on your
reading log and ask family, friends,
and neighbours for pledges!

Let's see how much we can **READ**!

Important Dates:

Now - April 17th:

- Read and record minutes
- Ask family and friends for pledges



APRIL 22-25th:

- Collect pledge money
- Bring pledge sheets and money to school

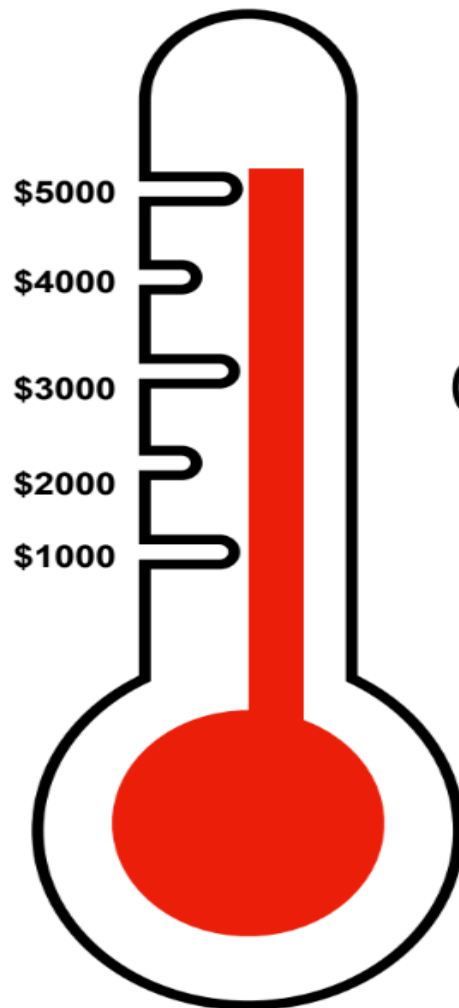
APRIL 29/30:

- Prize draw

Can you help?

- *Donate a prize?
- *Hand out prizes?

CLICK HERE



Our goal is
to raise
\$5000!

(That's approx.
\$12/child)



Operation Education

is a fundraising initiative where we partner with
Boston Pizza to earn 5% cash back!

It's as simple as:

- *Dine out at Boston Pizza
- *Save your original receipt
- *Submit the original receipt to the school office
- *Bring receipts in for the rest of the year!



HELP NEEDED

Please reach out if you are willing to help with our playground project. We need grant writers! Can you help?



Make labeling easy with Oliver's labels and help support our school!

www.oliverslabels.com/blueberryschool



Want to join us? Please reach out!

Connect with us on Facebook

or via e-mail:

blueberryfundraisingcommittee@gmail.com

Thank you for your support! We couldn't do this without you!

Hot Lunch

Blueberry School provides a healthy, nutritious meal to our students through our hot lunch program.

Hot lunch runs three days a week -- Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from October to May. Students are required to pre-order and pre-pay for these meals.

There are some new offerings this year and gluten-free and vegetarian items will be available with certain meals. Please note that if your child has a severe allergy, please contact the coordinator for more information on the menu options available.

You can create an account or log in to the website platform Munch a Lunch to order and pay for school lunches. All previous Munch a Lunch accounts are carried forward each year with the same login information.

Ordering Lunch Online

1. Go to munchalunch.com/schools/blueberry.
2. Click the "Register Here" or "Login" button. The system will guide you through.
3. After adding your children, click the green "Order Lunch!" button to order.
4. Next time you visit, click the "Login Here" to access your account.

Contact Jennifer Fiddler at jenniferdavina@hotmail.com or 780-886-7344 if you require assistance or have any questions about the hot lunch program.

Photo Album



JUNIOR HIGH Options



St. Patrick's Day!!



100 DAYS OF SCHOOL





GRADE 1 KNITTING LOOM





Community News



REGISTRATION IS
NOW OPEN FOR
2025/2026 SCHOOL
YEAR!

BLUEBERRY PLAY SCHOOL

- ★ 3-4 YEAR OLDS
- ★ 2 TEACHER
PROGRAM
- ★ MINIMAL
FUNDRAISING
- ★ LOW COST

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!
FEEL FREE TO MESSAGE US WITH
ANY QUESTIONS

[www. Blueberryplayschoolassociation.com](http://www.Blueberryplayschoolassociation.com)