



# DRAGONS' PRIDE

ELEANOR HALL SCHOOL

## Principal's Message

January 2019

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I need your help! I am in the process of creating an Athletic Handbook. A key question I have is what type of Jr. High Extra Curricular Sports Program would you like to see? Specifically, should it be completely competitive (only the best players get playing time), completely participatory/rules of fair play (everyone gets a chance-like our elementary program), or what we have now-a combination of the two? It is important to note that this is for all parents, not just those in Jr. High as this will affect your children down the road. **Parents, Staff and Students in grades 6-9 will be invited to participate.** I will take the information gathered and use it to make an informed decision. The plan is to discuss the results during the School Council meeting on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you do not already subscribe to e-mails (updates) through the school's website, you may want to sign up. We will also be sending the link home in a note.

We're using a new tool called Thoughtexchange to gather your input. You'll be asked to answer one open-ended question with as many responses as you like and then move on to the next step which is Star. In Star, you'll see your thoughts and the thoughts of others and assign stars to each thought (from 1-5) depending on how strongly you agree or support that idea.

Thoughtexchange keeps confidential who shared each thought and who assigned what ratings. You can rate as many thoughts as you'd like before moving on to Discover where you can see all the thoughts sorted by the average star rating.

You can also navigate by using the bar across the top to go back and share more ideas or star some more thoughts at any time.

We are in the process of preparing our Thoughtexchange to roll it out by the beginning of next week, and it will stay open until early the following week.

A BIG thank you to Mrs. McNelly for putting on such a wonderful Christmas Concert! It is an incredible amount of work to organize and prepare students for a concert. Thanks also to the students who were in the concert as well as to those who helped set up the Gym, and to all of the staff who all played a role in ensuring that it would be a success! Thanks also to Sue Sabourin for volunteering her time to lead a group of students in baking and selling cookies to raise money for the Westlock FCSS' Santa's Anonymous. \$317.00 was raised!

**Amazing Christmas Lunch**

On Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> Sue Sabourin provided a Turkey Dinner to all staff and students! Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity!

## Principal's Message Continued

Dear Parents,

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators. Data on these indicators consists of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of education quality, student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates, and provincial assessments of student learning.

From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey.

In January, parents of students in grades 4, 7 and 10 will receive a survey from Alberta Education.

In February, students in grades 4, 7 and 10 and all teachers will be completing their surveys online at school.

All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with your school. In addition to English and French, the parent survey is available in Chinese, Punjabi, Arabic, Blackfoot, Dene, Cree, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog and Urdu.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly.

Survey results will be available to school authorities in May 2018, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

### **PHPS survey**

In January, Pembina Hills Public Schools' staff call **all** parents to ask questions about how our school and the school division are doing. The goal is to reach every parent. Please take the time to do the phone survey. Your answers will help us plan for our school and our school division.

**Who will be asking the questions?** Division staff

**How long will it take to do the phone survey?** Between 3 and 6 minutes

**Is this confidential?** We do not share respondents' names; your responses will be anonymous.

**What if I'm not home when you call?** We will leave a call-back number: [780.674.8531](tel:780.674.8531)

For more information contact Debbie Westman, PHPS, at [780.674.8531](tel:780.674.8531).



## COMING SOON! CLYDE MINOR BALL REGISTRATION

Registration forms will be sent through school in February. Watch for them! Contact Lorraine McCoy at 780-933-4286 for more info or if you are looking to get involved in the organization! Please remember that each of our teams will need two volunteer coaches, one lead and one assistant for each team.

## January 24 - THURSDAY

Hooray!



It's  
**PIZZA DAY!**

## Food Bank Drive Results

Thank you to all families that donated towards our Food Bank Drive. Our school collected 968 items! The Grade 9 class donated 174 items and won a pizza party for their class.

Thank you to the students who volunteered to transport all the boxes and helped make the delivery to the Westlock & District Food Bank.

Special thanks to Mrs. Kochan who drove and donated the use of her bus.

Way to go everyone!



Thank you to all the parents that donated their time and energy to make the Junior High get together a huge success and to the Enhancement Society for the hall rental!



## Theme Days



January 16  
Crazy Hair  
Day

January  
23  
Spirit Day

School  
Spirit

## Parent session: Tough Conversations

*"how do I talk about drugs with my child?"*  
*"how do I put myself in my teens shoes?"*  
*"how do I know if my teen is using?"*  
*"who can I talk to?"*  
*"why do youth abuse drugs and alcohol?"*  
*"what are the school and division policies?"*



For more info Contact Summer Halliday at 780-278-5008 or [ehschoolcouncils@gmail.com](mailto:ehschoolcouncils@gmail.com)

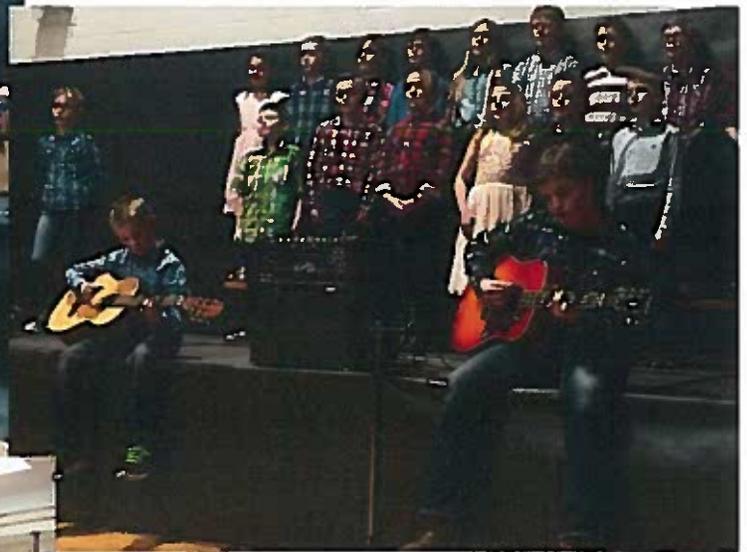
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How and when do you talk to your child about drugs?

You, as a parent/caregiver, cannot underestimate the difference you make in the life of your teen. You are the first line of defence when it comes to their health - no one knows your child like you do, and may look for answers when it comes to how to raise safe and healthy teens. Eleanor Hall School Council has organized an open panel with some community resources including RCMP, AHS Addictions Services, Victim Services Unit, and Pembina Hills School Division for a discussion on drug use, prevention and the new laws brought in 2018.

Please Join Us January 30th  
Grade 6-9, 1:30 - 3:00  
Parents/Caregivers/Community  
6:00 to 7:30  
EHS Gymnasium





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
<b>Winter Break</b>						
6	7	8 Grade 2 Swimming 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  JH DAY 2	9  JH DAY 3	10  JH DAY 4	11 No School Eleanor Hall Day  JH DAY 1	12
13	14	15 Grade 2 Swimming 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  JH DAY 2	16 Crazy Hair Day Enhancement Meeting 7:00 pm  JH DAY 3	17 Grade 2 Swimming 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  JH DAY 4	18 Skiing Field Trip @ Tawatinaw Grades 4 - 9  JH DAY 1	19  JH DAY 2
20	21	22 Grade 2 Swimming 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  JH DAY 3	23 Spirit Day School Council Meeting 7:00 pm  JH DAY 4	24 Pizza Day  Grade 2 Swimming 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  JH DAY 1	25 No School Eleanor Hall Day  JH DAY 2	26
27	28 ZAP Electrical Presentation Grade 5  JH DAY 3	29 Grade 2 Swimming 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  JH DAY 4	30 Drug Panel Discussions Gr. 6 - 9....1:30 - 3:00 Parents....6:00 - 7:30  JH DAY 1	31 Edmonton Opera Field Trip Gr. 6-9  JH DAY 2		



# Dragon Bites Menu



**Gluten Free  
Options Available!**

Jan. 7 - 10	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup & Bun \$4.50	Mushroom	Chicken Noodle	Cream of Vegetable	Beef Vegetable	No School
Lunch Special \$6.00	Nachos	Grilled Cheese & Chips	Chicken Wrap & Veggies	Pancakes & Sausages	No School
Salad \$5.00	Caesar	Caesar	Caesar	Caesar	No School

Jan. 14 - 18	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup & Bun \$4.50	Cream of Potato	Tomato	Chicken Rice	Hamburger	Italian Wedding
Lunch Special \$6.00	Hot Dog & Baked Macaroni	Quesadilla & Veggies	Goulash	Sub & Chips	Chicken Fingers & Fries
Salad \$5.00	Tossed	Tossed	Tossed	Tossed	Tossed

Jan. 21 - 24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup & Bun \$4.50	Cream of Vegetable	Chicken Noodle	Tomato	Beef Vegetable	No School
Lunch Special \$6.00	Baked Spaghetti	Hamburger & French Fries	Pizza Sub & Chips	Meatball Stroganoff	No School
Salad \$5.00	Dill Pasta	Dill Pasta	Dill Pasta	Dill Pasta	No School

Jan. 28 - 31	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soup & Bun \$4.50	Tomato Macaroni	Vegetable	Mushroom	Beef Barley	No School
Lunch Special \$6.00	Grilled Cheese & Chips	Dry Ribs & Caesar Salad	Nachos	Shepherd's Pie	No School
Salad \$5.00	Caesar	Caesar	Caesar	Caesar	No School

<b>Daily Items:</b>	Veggie or In Season Fruit: Plate \$4 or Cup \$2	Piece of Fruit \$1	Juice Box or Water Bottle \$1	Cinnamon Bun \$2.50
Cookie, Small Muffin, Rice Krispie Square, Jello Cup or Pudding \$1.00		Dragon Ear, Cake, Puffed Wheat Square, Large Muffin or Confetti Slice \$2.00		
* Pre-paid Lunch cards are available in \$20.00 and \$40.00 denominations * E-Transfer's at <a href="mailto:suz64sabourin@yahoo.com">suz64sabourin@yahoo.com</a> Question: Where do I work? Answer: EHS				