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**October 2023 Edition**

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## **Principal's Message...**

Happy Fall to All,

Tomahawk School had a wonderful September! Students enjoyed a number of special events such as our fun opening assembly, FitSet Ninja Day, and the Terry Fox Run. As a school we had a meaningful observation for Orange Shirt Day. We have all enjoyed our new Gaga Ball Pit and it is certainly still the popular place to be at recess time!

Now we welcome October. Students are settled into their classes and the work is becoming a bit more challenging. We appreciate your support in having students attend regularly as consistent attendance is a key support for student success. As well, please plan to attend our Parent- Teacher Interviews scheduled for October 24th or October 25th. Good communication between home and school is also an important support for student success. We will open up the booking system shortly and we look forward to seeing you in-person!

Each staff member is committed to supporting our students. Please know that if you have any concerns or questions, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. The school division is also offering some great sessions this month on the topic of ADHD, and details are in this newsletter. The School Council will be meeting online on October 10th and we hope to see you there! October promises to be a wonderful month at Tomahawk School.

Ms. Bell - Principal

**Please be sure to join us for our October School Council and Friends of Tomahawk meeting. It will be held virtually on Tuesday, October 10 at 7:30. Please use the link below to join:**

[meet.google.com/ysm-tkeg-dpf](https://meet.google.com/ysm-tkeg-dpf)

## PC Children's Charity

In keeping with Parkland School Division's commitment to student success and well-being, we are once again working to promote healthy eating and create a positive food environment for all students.

We would like to acknowledge the **President's Choice Children's Charity Power Full Kids** program in providing support for food security at Tomahawk School for the 2023 - 2024 school year.

## FoT Christmas Extravaganza

Friends of Tomahawk is planning for one of their big fundraisers for the year, the **Christmas Extravaganza**, on November 25, 2023.

Volunteers are needed with planning, advertising, set up/take down, lunch, and children's games. To ensure the event is a success, please consider joining the planning committee for an online meeting on Tuesday, October 3 from 8-9:00 pm. Please contact the office for a link to the meeting or to volunteer.

## October Library Events

On October 24, the Tomahawk Library will be hosting 2 events. First they will be hosting a **live stream of the Olds Auction** at the Tomahawk Agra, with doors opening at 8:30 am. Come on down to be entertained, catch up with neighbours, and enjoy refreshments.

Later that day, they will be hosting **'Mad Science Experiments'** for the kids at the Tomahawk Library from 3:00-4:30 pm. Just in time for the spooky season, the kids will create the creepy, dissect the unknown and bring imagination to life! A snack will be provided.

## Stronger Together Newsletter & Programs

PSD is offering two programs this month that may be of interest to families. The first of a 3 part Transitional Support series at the Family Connection Centre in Stony Plain will be held on October 4 from 6:30-8:30. Use the following link for more information and registration.

<https://www.psd.ca/division/news/post/strong-families-october-4>

A second program, **Nourishing Your ADHD Child's Full Potential**, is being hosted on Saturday, October 14. Doors open at 9:00am, and the workshop runs from 9:30am - 1:00pm at the Family Connection Centre, 5800 50 Street, Stony Plain.

<https://www.psd.ca/division/news/post/strong-families-october-14>

## Bus Status 4 App

Parkland School Division is now using the **Bus Status 4** app for your mobile phone. The former Bus Status App received a major update, and no longer works, so please delete the old version, and download the new app. It is available for iOS and Android. The new version is faster, more reliable and optimized for school divisions and families. **Please note: Bus drivers are still needed in our area. Contact PSD Transportation department @ 780-963-8452 if you are interested.**

## No School - October 6 & 10

Mark your calendars! There will be no school for students on Friday, October 6 as it is a PD day for staff, and Monday, October 9 for Thanksgiving. Have a wonderful long weekend everyone!! We will welcome students back on Tuesday, October 10.

## Cross Country Running

There are still 3 races remaining in the 2023 Cross Country Running season. Please have your child pre-register at the office before heading to a race! The dates and locations of the remaining races are as follows:

October 5 - Woodhaven School

October 12 - Meridian Heights School

October 19 - High Park School



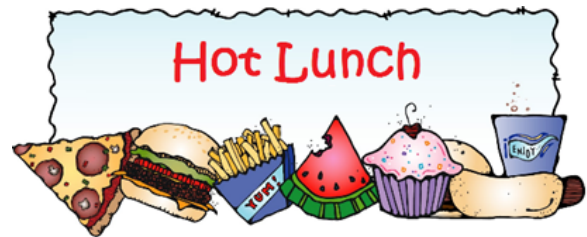
## Terry Fox Run

Tomahawk School had its own Terry Fox school run on Friday, September 22. Students brought in 'Toonies for Terry' the week leading up to the run, and our Student Leadership team hosted a hot dog lunch to raise additional funds. In total, \$1083 was raised in school and online, and we were just shy of our \$1100 goal. What an amazing job!

## Swimming Lessons

This month our grade 2, 3, and 6 classes will be attending swimming lessons in Drayton Valley at the Ricochet Oil Corp Aquatic Centre. The dates for lessons are October 12, 13, 16, 17 & 18. Additional information has been sent home with students in these grades.

## Hot Lunch



Hot Lunch for **October** will be the following:

October 5 - Pancakes & Sausages

October 12 - Taco in a Bag

October 19 - Sub Sandwiches & Chips

October 26 - Domino's Pizza

## Individual School Photos



Be sure to come to school with your best smile on **Wednesday, October 11**. SMART Photography will be coming to Tomahawk School for the **afternoon** of October 11 to take our

Individual School Photos.

## Parent Teacher Interviews & Scholastic Book Fair

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be on **Tuesday, October 24 & Wednesday, October 25 from 4-7pm**. Interviews are available online, by phone, or in person, and can be booked online. Parents will be notified when our online booking system is open.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the library from October 23-26. Be sure to check it out while you are at the school for your interviews!



## October

3 - School Counselor In

5 - Hot Lunch - Pancakes & Sausages

5 - World Teachers' Day

5 - Cross Country - Woodhaven

6 - No School - PD Day

9 - No School - Thanksgiving

10 - School Counselor In

10 - 13 - Fire Safety Week

11 - Smart Photography Individual School Photos - **AFTERNOON ONLY!**

12 - Swimming Lessons - Grade 2-3-6

12- Hot Lunch - Taco in a Bag

12 - Cross Country - Meridian Heights

13 - Swimming Lessons - Grade 2-3-6

16 - 18 - Swimming Lessons - Grade 2-3-6

17 - School Counselor In

19 - Hot Lunch - Sub Sandwiches

19 - Cross Country - High Park School

24 - School Counselor In

24 - 25 - Parent Teacher Interviews - 4:00pm - 7:00pm - In person/phone/online

26 - Hot Lunch - Domino's Pizza

26 - October Recognition Assembly - 2:00

31 - Halloween Parade - Time TBA