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**February 2024 Edition**

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## Principal's Message...

Greetings Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to February...the month of kindness and caring. Valentine's Day is always a lot of fun around our school with some candy showing up. But we like to focus more on the spirit of showing kindness and caring to fellow students, and I know that our students will embrace the opportunity to be extra kind to each other.

February also brings *Pink Shirt Day*, a special day that has been growing in its impact. As we all wear some PINK on February 28th it is a visual reminder of the need to take a stand against BULLYING. Students take part in discussions around the differences between being mean or bullying, and learn powerful strategies to stand against bullying.

February is also *SURVEY* month as students and parents will have the opportunity to share their thoughts about Tomahawk School with Alberta Education. Our little school works so hard to provide our students with an excellent education, and now we need to share our school pride. I hope you will take a few moments to complete your survey when it arrives and help share the great aspects of our school, as well as areas we can improve. But, please share the good things too!

Finally, we are looking forward to taking our Grade 5-9 students to *Hockey Hooky*... a day to play hooky and head to Roger's Place to enjoy a live Oil Kings game! It is a noisy, busy day as the arena fills with thousands of students, but it is also a lot of fun. Roger's Place will be buzzing with excitement!

Enjoy the kindness and caring of February, and hopefully, some yummy chocolate! And don't forget to read your child's report card, which can be found on your Parent Portal account.

Ms. Bell - Principal

## Preschool & Kindergarten Open House



**Calling all Preschool and Kindergarten aged students.** Our Preschool and Kindergarten open house will be at the school on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-7 pm.

Students must turn 5 by December 31, 2024 to attend Kindergarten this fall. Spread the word to our local families about our great school!

## Student Leadership - Candy Gram Sales



Our Student Leadership team will be selling Candy Grams for any students that would like to spread some

kindness to their friends and classmates. Candy Grams can be purchased on February 6, 7, 12, 13, and 14. They are 25¢ each, and will be delivered to students on February 14th.

## Winter Fun Day



On February 29th, staff and students are planning to spend the afternoon outdoors for our annual Winter Fun Day! We hope to have great weather,

tons of fun, and maybe some hot chocolate to have a very special day!

## Winter Weather



When the outside temperature drops below -23 with wind chill, students stay indoors for recess. However, please be sure that your child

comes to school with proper winter clothing and footwear, and is prepared for all types of weather while at school and on the bus.

## 2024-2025 School Registration

Online registration for the 2024 – 2025 school year begins on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>.

Returning PSD students will receive an email reminder to log into their PowerSchool account to begin the registration process. Look for the RSVP button in the left hand menu of your student's profile.

Please contact the office if any assistance is needed.

**Parents are encouraged to complete the online registration process by 4:30 on March 22, 2024 to ensure your child has a bus pass for the first day of the 2024 - 2025 school year.**

## Alberta Education Survey

If you are a parent/guardian to a student in Grade 4 - 9, please check your mail for your Alberta Education code to complete an online Education Survey. Be sure to highlight all the wonderful things you see happening at Tomahawk School!

### Pink Shirt Day



Wednesday, February 28th is Pink Shirt Day, the day to pull out the pink, and wear it to school as a

visible stand against bullying. Pink Shirt Day is a day to recognize the importance of unity, inclusivity, and diversity of all people, and to show kindness to others.

### Semester One Report Cards



Semester One report cards went live on January 30th. We strongly encourage parents to view report cards online by logging into your PowerSchool

Parent Portal account. If you are having difficulty viewing your child's report card, please contact the office and let us know if you would like to have a copy printed off and sent home with your child.

### No School - February 8, 9, 16 & 19

Mark your calendars! There will be no school on the following dates:

Thursday, February 8 – Teachers' Convention

Friday, February 9 – Teachers' Convention

Friday, February 16 – PD Day

Monday, February 19 – Family Day Holiday

### Friends of Tomahawk & Hot Lunch

School Council will host their next meeting on **February 20, 2024 @ 7:30 pm**. Taking part in School Council is a great way to stay connected to your school and community!



Hot Lunch for February will be the following:

February 1 - Taco in a Bag

February 15 - Pancakes & Sausages

February 22 - Meatballs with Mac & Cheese

February 29 - Domino's Pizza

### Reporting Student Absences



If your child is going to be absent from school, please remember to contact the school office, and their teacher. You can call 780.339.3935 or email [tomahawk@psd.ca](mailto:tomahawk@psd.ca). On days when buses are canceled, please report that your child is safe at home so our records are accurate.

# dates to Remember

## **February**

1 - Hot Lunch - Taco in a Bag

1 - January Recognition Assembly

2 - Jr. High Curling - Lakeside Curling Centre

5 - 6 - Jr. High Curling - Lakeside Curling Centre

6 - School Counselor in

6 - 7 - Candy Gram Sales

7 - Winter Walk Day

8 - No School - Teachers' Convention

9 - No School - Teachers' Convention

12 - 14 - Candy Gram Sales

13 - School Counselor In

14 - Valentine's Day - Jr High Dance (PM only)

15 - Hawaiian Day

15 - Hot Lunch - Pancakes & Sausages

15 - Kindergarten & Preschool Open House

16 - No School - PD Day

19 - No School - Family Day

20 - School Counselor In

21 - Hockey Hooky - Grades 5 -9

22 - Hot Lunch - Meatballs with Mac & Cheese

26 - Mar 1 - CTF Round 2

27 - Mar 3 - Round 2 CTF - Gr 7-9

27 - School Counselor In

28 - Pink Shirt Day

29 - Hot Lunch - Domino's Pizza

29 - Winter Fun Day!