

**Times** 

**June 2024 Edition** 

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# Principal's Message...

**Greetings Tomahawk School Families!** 

This is a bittersweet note for me, as it will be my final message to school families. I will be working with Alberta Education next year, and Tomahawk School has a fabulous new principal starting, Mrs. Tracey Gilmour. The past five years have flown by, filled with so many new things, (including a pandemic!) and a lot of learning for me. Thank you for supporting me as the principal of our wonderful rural school for the past five years, and I will certainly miss everyone. I am looking forward to visiting to see the fancy new gym in the Fall!

A big THANK YOU also goes to each of our families for your commitment and support for Tomahawk School. <u>Our rural school depends on every student</u> and it is so important that the community embraces their local public school! It is YOUR support that allows Tomahawk School to keep improving. We are looking for **more students next year**, so please talk to your neighbours and friends and share how much Tomahawk School has to offer!! From preschool for 3 and 4 year olds, all the way up to Grade 9, we are focused on the success of our students, and offering unique opportunities such as MY PATH, school sports, options, and special field trips.

Lately the school has been sending reminders about the need to pay your school fees. Thank you to those who have paid, or who have made plans to pay fees by the end of the year. In our school division, each school has their own budget so every time your child has a field trip, or we host a special event, the school budget pays on behalf of all the students. But, then we look to our parents to repay the school by paying their school fee balance. So, THANK YOU, as we simply all need to work together to help the school to have funds to pay our bills and staff.

I truly celebrate the RURAL ADVANTAGE for Tomahawk School. I wish you a wonderful summer, and a fantastic return to a great year in the Fall. Again, thank you for your friendship, and I know you will give our new Principal a wonderful welcome!

GO TIMBERWOLVES! Ms. Bell - Principal

### **June Provincial Achievement Tests**

June is a month that sees the majority of the Provincial Achievement Tests for our Grade 6 & 9 students. Please be sure to send your child to school well rested, and prepared to write these exams. Exams start at 9 AM; here are dates for the respective grades:

#### Grade 6:

Wednesday, June 19 - Social Studies Thursday, June 20 - Science

## Grade 9:

Wednesday, June 12 - ELA Part B Thursday, June 13 - Mathematics Part A Tuesday, June 18 - Mathematics Part B Wednesday, June 19 - Social Studies Thursday, June 20 - Science

## 2024 - 2025 Transportation Fees

If you had indicated on your child's 2024-2025 registration that your child will be riding the bus to school next year, transportation fees have been added to your Parent Portal account. To ensure your child has a bus pass for the start of the school year, these fees must be paid by June 20, 2024. Bus passes will be mailed out in mid-July.

To pay your transportation fees you may:

- Log onto your Parent Portal and pay with credit card
- Send cash or a cheque made out to "Parkland School Division" to the school office.
- Make payment at The PSD Centre for Education in Stony Plain.

#### Friends of Tomahawk & Hot Lunch

School Council will host their next meeting on June 11, 2024 @ 7:30 pm. This will be the final meeting of the 2023-2024 school year, and will take place in person! Taking part in School Council is a great way to stay connected to your school and community! Consider joining us!



Hot Lunch for June will be the following:

June 7 -Sub Sandwiches and Chips

June 11 - Perogies & Garlic Sausage

June 13 - Taco in a Bag

June 18 - Pancakes & Sausages

June 20 - Taco Pockets with Caesar Salad

June 27 - Burgers with Pasta Salad

## Seba Beach Mini Golf

On June 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> our classes are heading to Seba Beach Mini Golf course to play some mini golf, have a sweet treat and celebrate the arrival of summer



vacation! Permission forms will be sent home shortly.

## **Parkland County Summer Day Camps**



Parkland County is hosting Summer Day Camps this summer, and will have one at the Tomahawk Agra from Aug 6-9. The 4 day camp runs from 9am-4pm, and is \$80/person. Registration is now open. Visit <a href="https://www.parklandcounty.com/SummerCamps">www.parklandcounty.com/SummerCamps</a> for more information.

#### 2023-2024 School Fees

Statements for the 2023-2024 school year have been sent home with students. If you have any unpaid school fees, there are several ways you can pay:

- Log on to your Parent Portal and pay by credit card
- Send cash or a cheque made out to "Parkland School Division" to the school office.

# **SMART Photography**



On the morning of Thursday, June 13th, SMART Photography will be coming to Tomahawk School to take some photos. Our **Kindergarten Farewell** pictures will be taken,

as well as **class photos**, and a **group photo** of the entire school.

### **Year End Assembly**



To officially wrap up the 2023-2024 school year, and kick off summer vacation, we will be hosting our year end assembly on June

27th, at 2:00pm. However, since our gym renovation is still taking place, we will be doing things a little differently this year. The assembly will take place outside, in the back playground. So please plan to join us if your schedule allows, BYOC (Bring Your Own Chair), and let's all hope for a day with plenty of sunshine!

# **Grade 9 Bottle Drive**

The Grade 9 students at Tomahawk School have been busy planning and fundraising for a couple of special events to have a great ending to their time at Tomahawk School. Next week they will head to Jasper for a short trip, and then the following week they will have a Farewell evening. To help them reach their goal of raising \$1000, they are having a bottle drive. If you have any recyclables to donate, please drop them off at the school, and we will arrange to have them recycled. If you prefer, you can recycle your items and donate directly to our Grade 9 student fund. Thank you in advance for your help; it is greatly appreciated.





## June

- 4 K/1 & 4/5 Edmonton Valley Zoo
- 4 School Counselor In
- 6 Grade 4/5/6 Track & Field Meet
- 7 Hot Lunch Sub Sandwiches and Chips
- 11 School Counselor In
- 11 Hot Lunch Perogies with Garlic Sausage
- 13 Gr 9 Math PAT Part A
- 13 SMART Photography Kindergarten Farewell and Class/School Group Photos
- 13 Hot Lunch Taco in a Bag
- 13 14 Gr 9 Trip Jasper Palisades
- 18 Gr 9 Math PAT Part B
- 18 School Counselor In
- 18 Hot Lunch Pancakes and Sausages
- 19 Gr 6 & 9 Social Studies PAT
- 20 Kindergarten Graduation
- 20 Gr 6 & 9 Science PAT
- 20 Hot Lunch Taco Pockets with Caesar Salad
- 25 School Counselor In
- 25 Seba Beach Mini Golf K/1, 2/3 in AM; 4/5 in PM
- 26 Seba Beach Mini Golf 6/7 in AM; 8/9 in PM
- 27 Hot Lunch FREE Burger with Pasta Salad
- 27 Year End Assembly 2:00 pm
- 27 Last Day for Students Summer Break Begins!