



Just a Reminder

May 2 - PD Day - **no school**

May 2-6 - Education Week & Mental Health Week

May 5 - Green Shirt & Hats On for Mental Health day

May 5 - Declamation Contest @ STM school

May 5 - VEP teachers are visiting HCC

May 5 & 6 - ECS Mother's Day Tea Party

May 8 - Mother's Day

May 14 - Slam Jam @ EEO (Mini Paws)

May 16 - Grade 9 ELA Part A PAT

May 18 - Grade 6 ELA Part A PAT

May 23 - Victoria Day - **no school**

Principal Message

Coincidence or Not?

"A Great Attitude is Everything" - Rupesh Patel

If...

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Equals

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Then

K N O W L E D G E

11 + 14 + 15 + 23 + 12 + 5 + 4 + 7 + 5 = **96%**

H A R D W O R K

8 + 1 + 18 + 4 + 23 + 15 + 18 + 11 = **98%**

Both are important, but fall just short of 100%

But

A T T I T U D E

1 + 20 + 20 + 9 + 20 + 21 + 4 + 5 =

100%

at-ti-tude

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noun

a settled way of thinking or feeling about someone or something,
typically one that is reflected in a person's behavior.

One of the most important steps you can take toward achieving your greatest potential in life is to have a great attitude, that impacts your work performance, relationships and everyone around you.

I love this poster! Attitude is ONE of the most important steps you can take to achieving your goals. Knowledge and hard work certainly rank very high as well, but with the right attitude anything is possible! With only 2 months left in this school year there is no time like the present to work towards having a positive attitude and preparing for success!

PATs, Diplomas and final exams are approaching. An exam schedule will be ready by the end of this month and will be posted in the next newsletter. A draft of next year's timetable is in progress. We hope to have a finalized schedule ready for the beginning of June.

With only two months left in the school year it's time to start making plans for next year. Grade 9s, have you been thinking about how High school will be different from Junior high? Mrs. Charchuk and I would like to invite you and your parents to a Transition Meeting on May 26th at 7 p.m. This meeting will be in person, however a google meet link is available for those who are unable to attend in person (the link will be shared with all grade 9 students). We will talk about VEP (virtual education program), course options, expectations, and graduation requirements at this meeting. Parents, this is a great time to come out and ask some questions about high school.

May hosts Education Week (May 2-6) and the theme is "Learning is a Journey". Ponder that concept for a moment - it is a journey! We are constantly learning things we didn't even know that we didn't know! How awesome is that?! The staff of HCC will be serving our students breakfast in the first week of May to celebrate Education Week.

Finally, just a reminder; with the constant change in our weather patterns (dry, wet, cold, wet, muddy, dryish... you get the idea) I reminded students that we all need to respect our school and keep it clean. One way we can do this is by wearing outdoor shoes OUTSIDE. All students should have outdoor as well as indoor footwear.

Happy Spring everyone!

Mrs. MacDowall

Superintendent Message

Education and Mental Health Awareness Week

The Peace River School Division is passionate about achieving student success and we continually use our Three-Year Education plan as a vehicle to drive our efforts. Our first two goals ensure our students receive outstanding teaching and learning in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy, but I want to take some time to highlight our division's third goal: ***All students are successful through inclusionary practices and engaging culture.***

From May 2-6 all our schools will be celebrating Education Week and Mental Health Awareness Week. I believe our third goal will demonstrate our commitment to our



students overall educational experience and our ongoing dedication to supporting students' mental health.

This inclusionary goal is further divided into multiple educational outcomes, which include, ***"We believe in the importance that our students are meeting high expectations in learner outcomes that reflect their individual academic needs and interests,"*** and also, ***"We understand that our students' physical and social emotional wellness needs and interests are met and their academic engagement is increased by ensuring they are learning in a safe and caring environment that celebrates diversity."*** As you can see our third goal does an excellent job at intertwining education and mental health together for our students within the Division.

To achieve these outcomes, PRSD continues to support and implement Wrap Around Services which include trained Social Workers, Project Peace Workers, and Youth Enhancement Support Workers to all divisional students. The school division also meets our student learner outcomes by providing a Collaborative Response to education that ensures we accurately assess where students are at in their learning journey. We also provide targeted instruction in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy to ensure students continue to learn and be successful.

During Education Week and Mental Health Awareness Week, our students and staff will participate in activities and learning opportunities that highlight the importance of education and mental health in our lives, families, schools, community, and the world. To that end, I am happy to report that we have four teachers within the school division that are volunteering their time to teach Ukrainian students through virtual lessons. This selfless act truly signifies the importance of public education and why we should celebrate our division's ability to meet the educational needs of all children. It also highlights the need for us to understand how important mental health is when thinking about a student's academic achievements.

Thank you to students, parents, staff, community members and organizations for your support - the work you do makes a difference, and we appreciate you.

Adam Murray
Superintendent of Schools

The Goings On @ HCC

If you've been reading the newsletters you will know... I have a hard time getting pictures for the newsletter... but not this month. Wow, did a lot happen!

The weather changed, and changed, and changed again... but here's an example of true Albertans. It's March 31st +4 and Grade 2/3s are suntanning 😂



High school students became parents for 48 hours (far too long for some of them). What did we learn?



Never waste an opportunity to nap when the baby's napping!!

Elementary Declamation

It's been over 2 years since we were able to have a Declamation contest at school. We are so proud of all of our students who participated in both the classroom contest, and then in the gym.

The winners of this year's contest have earned the right to move on to the contest at STM school where they will compete against students from STM, EEO, and Worsley Central on May 5th.

Grade 6 speech winner - Emma King



**Grade 5
speech
winner -
Tawny
Blake**



Grade 4 poem winner - Maverick Campbell



Grade 3 poem winner - Kayden Chalmers



Grade 2 poem winner - Magnus Bjornson



Grade 1 poem winner - Haley Hoffman



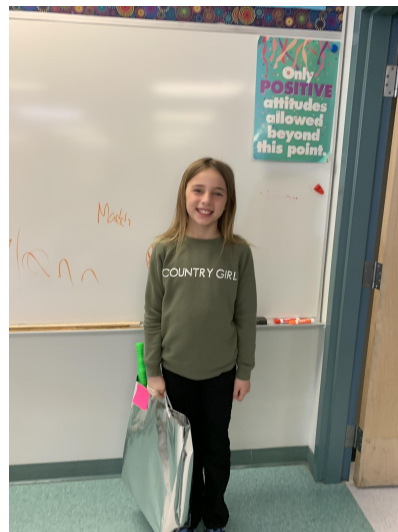
Good Luck @ STM!

Student Engagement Talks

Every year the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent meet with students from PRSD schools to learn about school life from the students perspective. This year's representatives were Hailey MacLachlan, Jace Hoffman, Liam Doll, and Hanna MacDowall. A big THANK YOU to these students for representing HCC in these talks.



Winners of the Hines Creek Business Association coloring contest...
Lilly Polukoshko and Austynn Duggan



Thank you to Ms. Lawrence for organizing the opportunity for students to become certified in First Aid. Also to Mr. Smith for coming out to HCC to teach the practical portion of the course.



Get ready to **#GetReal**

CMHA
Mental Health Week
May 2-8, 2022

Download tools and materials
at mentalhealthweek.ca today!



Student of The Month

Olivia MacLachlan

Grade 2

Nominated by Mrs. McEwen

Q: How does it feel to be nominated for student of the month?

A: Great!

Q: What's your favourite subject, and why?

A: Reading, because it can make you even smarter. I also like to read because it's fun.

Q: You were nominated for your hard work to improve your reading. Who else do you think deserves recognition for working hard here at school?



A: I think Haley should be recognized because she's really smart and she's the one who helps me read some stuff.

Q: What extracurricular activities do you do?

A: Run through the sprinklers, jump on the trampoline - especially if there's a sprinkler under it. I also like to play outside with my dogs, Charlie and Molly.

Q: What is your favourite book, movie, tv-show or song and why?

A: My favourite song is Senorita by Camila Cabello and Shawn Mendes because it's got cool stuff in it.

Q: What is your favourite thing about HCC?

A: The library and the principal (I didn't make her say that) 😜

Q: If you could give one piece of advice to other students what would it be?

A: Study all the time when you have a test!

Q: Tell me something about yourself that people might not know.

A: I'm really good at climbing things, and I collect rocks. My favorite rock is a white clear one.

Student of The Month

Chloe Berg

Grade 10

Nominated by Ms. Lawrence

Q: How does it feel to be nominated for student of the month?

A: It was a surprise, but it feels good!

Q: What's your favourite subject, and why?



A: Probably math, because I enjoy the problem solving aspect.

Q: You were nominated for the incredible effort you put into PE class. Who else do you think deserves recognition for things they do here at school?

A: Cheyenne, she is very open to help and helping. She keeps the class in line.

Q: What extracurricular activities do you do?

A: Basketball, snowboarding, volleyball and volunteer work for the Stollery.

Q: What is your favourite book, movie, tv-show or song and why?

A: Any song by Nickleback because I just like 'em!

Q: What is your favourite thing about HCC?

A: The people and the teachers because everyone is very supportive of each other.

Q: If you could give one piece of advice to other high school students what would it be?

A: You can retake a test, but you can't retake a party.

Q: Tell me something about yourself that people might not know.

A: I can't spell – I'm terrible at it!

Mini Paws

Grade 4, 5, 6 students have been practicing their basketball skills! The first tournament was last weekend @ Menno Simons school.

Thank you to the coaches: Darcie Fortier, Sharlene Cabellajo, Calla Blake, Olivia Bean and Keira McEwen. A big thank you to Mrs. Charchuk, Ms. Dalke and Mrs. McEwen for being the supervisors.

Congratulations to team Tigers for taking home the Sportsmanship trophy!







Multitasking at its finest!

We had a crying baby during a class.
Somehow I became the babysitter.
Apparently it is possible to hold and
feed a baby, all while typing out a
newsletter!

Just a random photo. Students weren't quite ready to let winter go. Check out this snowman.



In the last week of April we recognized our Administrative Professionals. Let's be honest, these two are **the real MVPs** in the school. Without Jody and Patty this ship would sink! We thank you, we appreciate you, we couldn't do it without you!



Tiger Award Winners for April



4th row: Skylar Hutchings, Daisha Smith, Sharlene Caballejo, Calla Blake, Darcie Fortier, Olivia Bean, Hailey MacLachlan, Sophia Polukoshko, Stephanie Grove

3rd row: Sara MacLachlan, Brianna Firzzell, Sheldon Chaykowski, Everley Basnett, Jace Hoffman, Tawny Blake, Keira McEwen, Sydnee Basnett, Anna Neilsen, Noah Mei-Ning, Kloe Kobbert, Emma King

2nd row: Rylan Chalmers, Tayen Schischikowsky, Austynn Duggan, Arabella Ostrem, Payton Ostrem, Shiloh Skoyen, Carter Giesbrecht, Samantha Kuntz, Aaliyah Dumas

1st row: Rocyl Basnett, Charlee Ossum, Dominic Kamieniecki, Chase Basnett, Dalton Kehler, Verna Olson, Haley Hoffman, Olivia MacLachlan