



Jessie Duncan Elementary School

A proud part of Chinook's Edge School Division #73

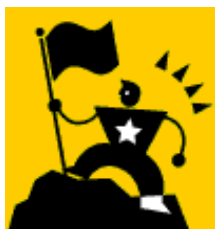
www.jessieduncan.ca



Principal: Mrs. Trudy Henry Vice-Principal: Miss Becca Chmelyk

Dates to Remember

- **Nov 7** Hot Lunch Deadline
@10:00am cutoff time
- **Nov 9-13** No-School -
Fall Break
- **Nov 14** Hot Lunch Day
SUBWAY
- **Nov 16** School Council
Meeting
- **Nov 17** SuperHero Day
Muffin Day
- **Nov 22** Booster Juice
& Photo Retake Day
- **Nov 23** Progress Reports
Go Home
- **Nov 24** No School
(Collaborative Day)
- **Nov 28/29** Pre K and K Parent
Teacher Interviews-Info to
follow
- **Nov 30** POWER Assembly
at 2:20 pm.



Principal's Message

Each year, every school in Alberta prepares a Strategic Education Plan. This report celebrates school achievements, goals and plans for continued improvement. The information in this report is shared with Division Office, the Chinook's Edge Board of Trustees, other schools, and parents. Miss Chmelyk and myself are currently preparing this year's report. We are looking at the results from the Spring Parent Survey, the Alberta Education Accountability Pillar, and student literacy results. Our Spring Parent Survey asked seven questions for parent feedback. Here are the results:

- *I feel that my child is safe while at school. 100%*
- *I am satisfied with the overall quality of education that my child is receiving 98%*
- *My child's teacher believes in him/her and he/she is appropriately challenged and encouraged in the classroom. 98%*
- *I am satisfied with the overall communication that the school provides me. 92%*
- *I am satisfied that the school has appropriate literacy strategies in place for learning. 92%*
- *I am satisfied that my child's learning needs are being met in the classroom. 96%*
- *I am satisfied with the amount and/or quality of the feedback I receive regarding my child's progress. 87%*

Parents also were asked, "what are the three best things about your child's school?". Here are some of the responses we received:

- * *Family like atmosphere, caring teachers, location*
- * *Everyone is welcome and inclusion is strongly encouraged*
- * *The teachers are amazing, open communication, the extra effort to help children feel special and successful*
- * *All of the staff are always incredibly friendly and helpful, the sensory room, the lengths staff go to in order to make school fun and interactive for the kids*
- * *The staff knows who my child is which creates a sense of belonging, my child has opportunities to learn and grow in a safe and nurturing environment, the school teaches not only academics, but social responsibility and character.*

We are very proud of the work we do at Jessie Duncan School and we continue to strive each year to ensure that the learning needs of all our students are met. We encourage parents to contact us if there are questions about any aspect of their child's education and experience at Jessie Duncan School.

The Strategic Education Plan will be complete by the end of November and will be posted on our website at that time. It will also be presented to parents at the January School Council meeting.

Mrs. Henry

Celebrating Excellence in Chinook's Edge

A Message from the Superintendent

Our division's strong achievements reflect the hard work and clear priorities of the entire Chinook's Edge team. Results from the most recent Accountability Pillar and survey results show significant increases in the number of our students who are achieving both levels of acceptable and levels of excellence in Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams across the board. We are proud of our high school completion rates, which continue to be well above provincial average, and we are always gratified by the high results Chinook's Edge receives for the safe and caring culture in our schools. The focused efforts underway in schools across our division are creating a positive impact for students.

We are discussing the Accountability Pillar results with our staff, analyzing the data and working together on key goals for continued improvement. We are continuing to focus our efforts on literacy, academic excellence, career transitions, and social emotional framework development, as we set each of our students up for a lifetime of success. Chinook's Edge is a division of hardworking students, skilled staff, devoted parents and supportive communities. Together, we are a force in support of our mission to help our students achieve success as compassionate and innovative global citizens.

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools



LOST & FOUND

It's that time of year again where its cold in the morning and warmer in the afternoon. Toques, mittens, sweaters/jackets tend to go missing. We have a couple of tables by the office with quite a colorful collection! If you are missing something it might be there!

Hot Lunch and Booster Juice

This is a reminder that *all orders and payments must be made online prior to the deadline date*. The deadline dates are listed in the newsletters and on our calendar online at www.jessieduncan.ca and click on FULL CALENDAR link on the right-hand side. Be sure to check your orders before submitting to ensure the correct quantities have been ordered.



You can print a statement in your child's profile or by clicking "my orders" in top right hand corner on the main page of Student Quickpay. Feel free to contact the school if you have any question, 403-

School Photo Day and Retake Day



Lifetouch will be at our school on *Wednesday, November 22nd* for photo retake day. Please bring your proof sheets for retakes.

Power Award Winners - October

We had our first POWER Assembly of the year on September 29th. Each month, students who are helping to make Jessie Duncan School a “nice place to be” will be recognized by their teachers and presented with a POWER Award certificate.

KC M/W: Corbyn and Avaya

KC T/Th: Austin, Madison, Saphira and Hunter

KS M/W: Kyle, Nessa, Madison and Reiker

KS T/Th: Emmerson, Ben Gibson, Mya

1D: Evan, Ayla, Corbin, Beau

1Ma: Kamilo, Xavier, Kinley, and Paisley

1M: Tanya, Kara, Nanton, and Bodhi

1W: Charlotte, Maelyn, Jaxon, and Kaydence

2B: Cailin and Samuel

2H: Jo, Julieta, and Abby

2N: Aaron and Madison

Tidy Teddy Award — Mrs. Sparks—Grade 2 Class



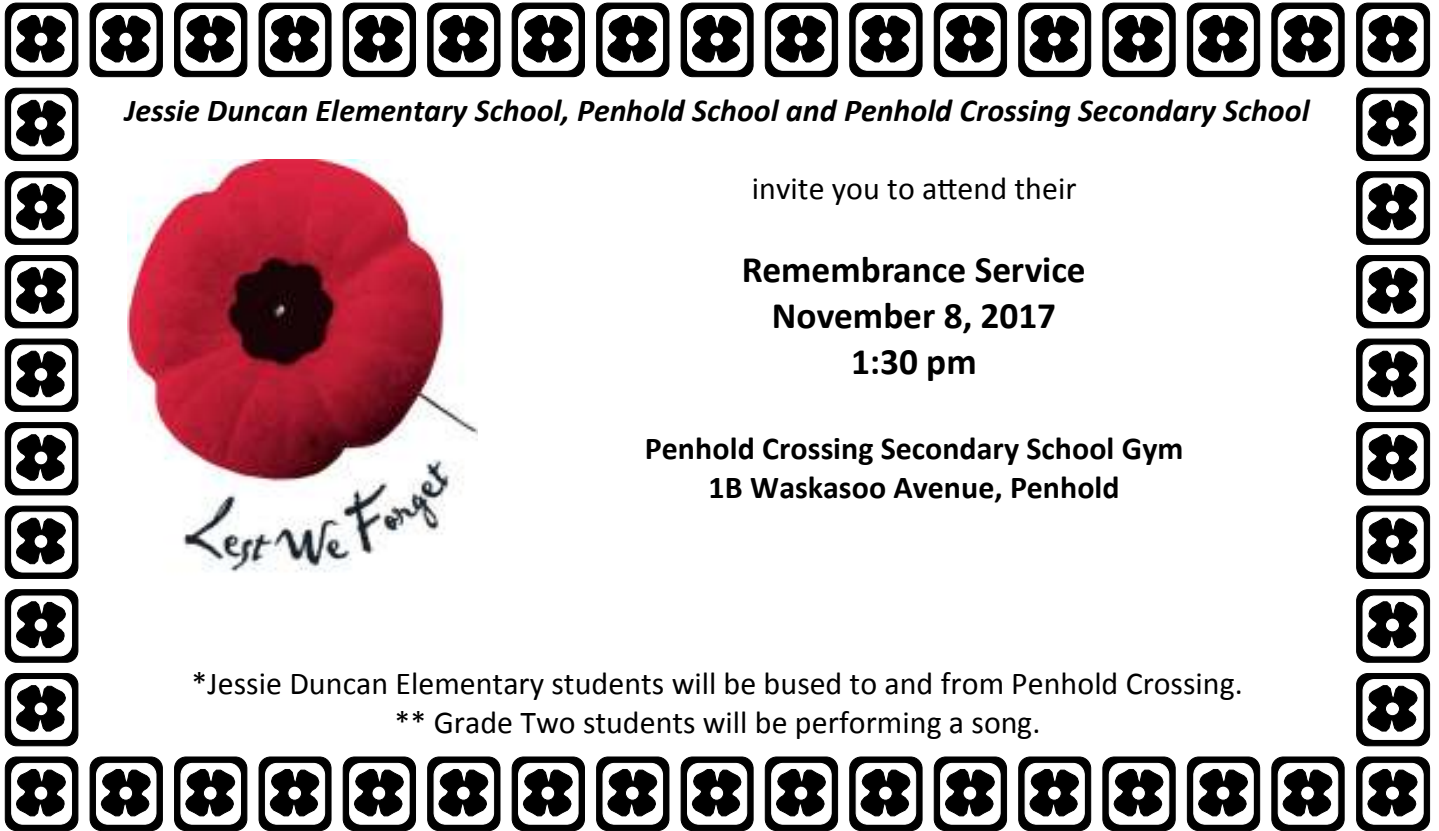
SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS REMINDER

We are required by WCB to keep a log of all volunteers/visitors to our school and classrooms. This is for your safety and well being when you are at our school.

Please make sure you sign in and out at the office when you are here.

Note: *If you are just dropping off your child late or bringing a lunch for example, you do not need to sign in. Thank you for your cooperation!*





Jessie Duncan Elementary School, Penhold School and Penhold Crossing Secondary School



invite you to attend their

Remembrance Service
November 8, 2017
1:30 pm

Penhold Crossing Secondary School Gym
1B Waskasoo Avenue, Penhold

*Jessie Duncan Elementary students will be bused to and from Penhold Crossing.

** Grade Two students will be performing a song.

Community Events



Sunday December 3, 2017
Penhold Tavern
2:00pm

Cost: \$30.00 per Buddha

Penhold Optimist Club invites you to paint your very own BUDDHA. These make wonderful Christmas gifts. Your choice of a sitting or standing statue. If you can't decide why not paint one of each.

Please contact Linda to reserve your spot: 403-391-9589



Metis Local 492



Penhold & District Optimist Club

Proudly Present
Traditional
Stew & Bannock Supper
\$15.00 plate

Thursday, Nov 16
Door open 5:00 Dinner 6:00
Penhold Drop In Center



Louis Riel

See Display items of Metis Culture
Come, enjoy, learn, meet members of Metis Local 492

Tickets and Information: Raye 403 348 9562
Email: penholdoptimist@live.ca

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