



Jessie Duncan Elementary School

A proud part of Chinook's Edge School Division #73
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Newsletter—September 21, 2017

Dates to Remember

- Sept 22 No School (Professional Learning Day)
- Sept 29 POWER Assembly 2:30 pm
- Sept 29 Rainbow Day
- Oct 3/4 Grade One and Two Parent-Teacher Interviews
- Oct 3 Hot Lunch—online orders Due
- Oct 6 & 9 No School—Thanksgiving Weekend

Principal's Message



We are into our 3rd week of the school year and all classes are settling nicely into their learning. Our new kindergarten students are feeling more comfortable and confident in their classroom routines, as well as on the playground. Our enrollment this year is 239 students in PreK—Grade Two. This is an increase of about 70 students—mostly due to the addition of grade two at our school.

Students were so excited to have Toast Club start up this week. Toast Club is organized and sponsored by the JDES School Council. They are very pleased to be able to offer toast to anyone who wants each morning of the week. Students have a choice of toast with butter, or jam or cheese whiz. We are fortunate to have a dedicated group of volunteers who are able to give us their gift of time each morning!

Mrs. Henry

POWER

Positive

Outlook

Wins

Everyday

Rewards



Join us for:

Mary Lambert's Sing Out Fire Safety Show

October 4, 2017

10:00 am - Jessie Duncan School Gym

Thank you to the County of Red Deer and the Penhold Fire Department for bringing this show to our school!

Keep your child safe!

Please notify the school *in writing or with a phone call* if your child is not going on the bus at the end of the day or if their end of day plans have changed.

Please do not rely on your child to communicate this to us — young children can forget or get the message mixed up. Thanks for your help!



Attendance Phone Calls

Please call the school before 9:15 am if your child is going to be away or late.

Tell us your name, your child's name and teacher and reason for absence.

Welcome!

We are happy to welcome Mrs. Johnson as the new Administrative Assistant at Jessie Duncan Elementary this September 2017.



She's is coming to us from Chinook's Edge School Division head office in Innisfail.

She is very excited to start the year with us, and looks forward to meeting the needs of the staff and students at Jessie Duncan School!

THANK YOU!

For the past few years Gloria Bulmer has represented the Optimist Club, the Penhold Community Churches and other community members, with donations of School Supplies and donations to our *Toast Club* program! It warms our hearts receiving this support from our community!

Toys/Electronic Games from Home

We kindly ask that you *do not allow* your child to bring any *toys or electronic games* from home to school. We are finding that they are a distraction in class, as well as creating disruption when a toy or toy parts are lost.

Exceptions to this request are:

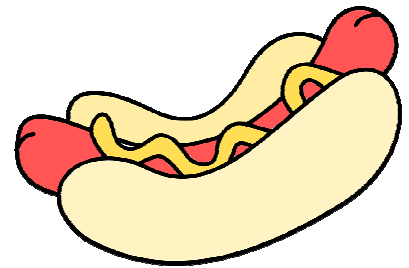
1. Items brought for Show and Share activities. After students share their item, they will be asked to place it in their backpack for the remainder of the day.
2. Bus students—toys/games brought to occupy students during their bus ride home must remain in their backpack while at school.

Thank you for your cooperation with this request.

Hot Lunch

Our hot lunch program will start in October. We will offer one hot lunch and one Booster Juice a month from October to May. All hot lunch orders must be completed online using Student Quick Pay!

****October Booster Juice and hot lunch is now available for ordering online. October orders are due by October 3rd, 2017.***



How do I use Student QuickPay?

1. Go to www.chinooksedge.ab.ca.
2. Click on the Parent Resources button at the bottom of the page.
3. Click on the link, Online Fee Payment.
4. At the Student QuickPay homepage, click on the Sign Up button.
5. Enter your parent name, email and password.
6. Read and agree to the Terms and Conditions of the site, then click the Next button.
7. Add students to your account by entering their Student ID, Last Name, and Birth Date.
8. After adding all students, a summary page will be displayed that lists the outstanding fee totals for each student.
9. Review student fees and click the Checkout button when ready.
10. Pay for fees using a credit or debit card.

I'm having technical issues with my parent account. Who do I contact?
Please email leesupport@chinooksedge.ab.ca for technical support.

Volunteers are needed to help with the **October 18th** hot dog hot lunch. If you are able to help from 10:45 am – 12:30 pm, please contact the school 403-886-2233.