### REMINDER - March 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> 2024, No School for Students as it's Teacher's Convention



#### PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

... Next week, teachers all over the Peace Country will attend the Mighty Peace Teachers Convention in Grande Prairie, AB. This is a time when teachers are introduced to high-calibre PD sessions. Sessions could include new cutting-edge research about best practices to teach students specific

topics, examples of activities and resources that work well in other schools, and keynote addresses from world-renowned leaders working with children. We are grateful for an opportunity to learn and share so we can enhance the learning experience for all our students. There will be no school on Thursday, March 7th and Friday, March 8th, as teachers are at the Teachers Convention. During this time, many organizations in town put on daily activities for kids and youth so they may have a place to be during the workday for families needing childcare. Check out the town's web page or Facebook page for information.

#### **GRADE 5 & 6 REPORT CARDS:**



PowerSchool is currently locked as teachers prepare the Grade 5 & 6 Report Cards. They should be ready for viewing by Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> evening. Please view report cards through your Parent Portal using the *Browser*. If you choose to use the App to view report cards, you will have to delete and reinstall the App (this is a third party app and doesn't interact with PowerSchool and the portal being locked).

#### **GRADE 5 & 6 PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES:**



SPT conferences take place on Tuesday, March 12th and Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. SPT conferences are held in the classroom, by phone, or online through Google Meet. On Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> (8:00 am), you may reserve your 15 minute slot by going to the <u>Bookings page</u> of our website. Our teachers are eager to meet with you! Teachers will email parents with the links on the respective days. Bookings will open at 8 am on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>; they will close at 3:30 p.m. on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>.

Register under the "Bookings" tab of our website, <a href="https://www.tanorrismiddleschool.ca/bookings">https://www.tanorrismiddleschool.ca/bookings</a>



#### **HOCKEY & GYMNASTICS ACADEMY**

Quick reminder to all Families who have their child/children enrolled in the Hockey or Gymnastics Academy - LAST DAY will be March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

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#### TIMBERWOLVES BASKETBALL PLAYERS

All Timberwolves Basketball Players are to return their jerseys to Ms. Weston in the office ASAP, please and thank you!!



#### ABSENTS & PICK-UPS



Please contact the office if your little one will be absent from school, has a medical appointment, needs to be picked up early, or is leaving for a sporting event throughout the day...etc. You may do so by leaving a voicemail message 780-624-3144 or emailing tanorris@prsd.ab.ca to inform us. Secondly, if you've arrived to pick up your child it would be greatly appreciated if you'd call the school to let us know you're here and we'll send your child out to you.

#### **POSTER CONTEST**



Peace River School Division is holding a poster contest to stress the importance of regular attendance. Posters can be hand-drawn or created electronically. Students are asked to write their first and last name clearly on the back of their poster along with their grade and hand it into the office by noon on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> so we can include it in the envelope being sent to Central Operations. We have seen time and time again the creativity that comes from our #teamawesome students. We look

forward to seeing their submissions.





If your child is interested in representing TA Norris in the Divisional Handgames tournament in April, remind them there's a sign up sheet in our foyer. There will be two teams, one for grade 5/6 and one for grade 7/8.



#### HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Remember to purchase a \$60 Lunch card (\$6 per meal for 10 lunches) through your SchoolCash Account so your child doesn't run out. Lunch cards will be recorded /tracked in a google document here at the school which will alleviate any lost cards. Students will

also be told when they have two lunches remaining on their card; they will need to let you know so you can purchase an additional Lunch Card.

MONDAY – Subway (6" - Turkey, Ham or pizza) TUESDAY - Hot Dog/Grilled Cheese (fundraiser) WEDNESDAY – Pasta Day THURSDAY - Taco in a bag FRIDAY - Free Lunch

Please feel free to visit the school website, http://www.tanorrismiddleschool.ca, to check for messages from Teachers, Superintendent Messages and other information that may be of interest to you. Also, if you Like us on Facebook, you can be notified of special items that may be of immediate interest. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us and we will do our best to answer them or find the answers.



# Cold & Inclement Weather

### SCHOOL BUS INFORMATION

The Transportation Manager may cancel buses either individually or collectively when weather and/or road conditions are a safety risk to students. This includes all scheduled field trips.

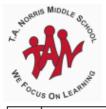
If extreme weather conditions arise after students have arrived at their schools, the Transportation Manager may authorize bus drivers to pick up students earlier in the day for the purpose of bringing them home. In this case, the school principal will notify parents and guardians and not permit any elementary student on the bus until their parents or guardians have been contacted.

If it is unsafe for buses to be on the road, buses will be cancelled. The school principal will notify parents and guardians of the situation and hold students at the school until they can be picked up by a parent or guardian. Buses will not operate when the temperature is -35°C actual or -48°C with windchill or lower at key weather station locations. In the mornings, the Transportation Manager will make this decision at 6 a.m.

Should cancellation of bus services occur, the Transportation Manager or designate will post bus cancellations on Bus Planner. All parents and guardians can access Bus Planner through the home page of their school websites, or by visiting prsd.mybusplanner.ca.

Each bus driver is responsible for notifying their route parents of bus service cancellations.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	Team Awesome Day	2
3	4	Final Day Hockey and Gymnastics Academies	6 magine 5/6 Report Cards; Bookings open for SPT conferences	7  Peace River School Division Teacher's C No So		9
10	Term 3 Starts Today!	SPT Conference 5 – 8 p.m.	North Peace Performing Arts Festival Speech Arts at EQV	SPT Conference 5 - 8 p.m.	15	16
17	18	Attendance Matters Posters Contest Entries Due	20	21	5/6 Honour Roll 7/8 On A Roll Grandfather Teachings Assembly 11:15 a.m.	23
24	25	26	27	28 Spin School Resu	29 Cak mes April 8	30