

**Good afternoon Parents & Students,**

**May 3rd, 2024**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**PRINCIPAL'S CORNER**

. . . School councils are very crucial parts of the school system. It is an amazing benefit when a school operates with a strong school council that can help create some of the most amazing learning environments for students. At TA Norris, we have been highly privileged to have had some fantastic school councils over the years. We are looking to expand our team and have some new members join, as some of our current members will be transitioning off as their children move to another school. As a school council member you can help set the direction of what kind of school we want our students to attend. We can create legacy opportunities for future students and stakeholders and create a space we can all be proud of.

We would like to invite anyone interested in joining our team and setting a vision for the next school year to meet in the school library on Tuesday, May 14th, at 7 p.m. All are welcome, and we will discuss items such as hot lunch, hockey and dance academy, an upcoming casino fundraiser, and positions to be filled for the next school season.



**PARENT COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Parent council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th, at 7:00 pm in the Library - looking forward to seeing you there.



**GRADE 8 CAMP TRIP PAPERWORK**

Please remember to return your paperwork as soon as possible. If your child is NOT going on the trip, we would like to know that as well. This will allow us to finalize our bookings and expenses for the trip based on the number going. Fees will be posted in SchoolCash Monday, May 8th. Please pay the fees via SchoolCash by Friday, May 31st.

<https://www.schoolcashonline.com/>



**INSIDE OUT DAY**

This is in recognition of Mental Health Awareness Week.

Wednesday - Hats on for Mental Health

Thursday - Inside out day; wear your clothes "Inside out"



**HOT LUNCH PARENT VOLUNTEERS**

Our TA Norris Hot Lunch Program still requires a few more parent volunteers. If you are able to Volunteer your time please contact the office.

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### **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*



### **ABSENTS & PICK-UPS**

Please contact the office if your child 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](mailto: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.

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.





## PRSD ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Whether you plan to homeschool your children or you live in a more remote area of the Division; whether your high-school aged child has divergent learning needs, or wants the flexibility to work while completing their high school education, the Peace River School Division's Alternative Education Program can work with you.

With these programs more students receive, and access, education in ways that break the traditional model. These programs are designed

to support each student's specific learning styles, which promotes greater successes within a dynamic setting.



*Adam Murray, Superintendent of Schools*

Through Peace Home Learning Connection, families throughout Alberta have access to parent-directed home education, teacher-directed virtual and distance education, or shared responsibility blended programming. Students and families receive as much support as they need from our dedicated Home Education Facilitators, who are Alberta certified teachers.

For more information about these programs, please visit [peacehomelearning.ca](http://peacehomelearning.ca)





A promotional graphic with a green background. At the top, the text "CREATE A VIDEO TO HIGHLIGHT SCHOOL BUS SAFETY" is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. To the right of this text is a blue swoosh graphic with a star at its end. Below the main text, a yellow rounded rectangle contains the text "FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN AN IPAD!" in black, bold, sans-serif capital letters. To the right of this rectangle is a green tree. Below the yellow rectangle, the text "Visit our website for full contest details" is written in white, sans-serif font. Below that, the text "Submission Deadline: May 17, 2024" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font. In the bottom left corner, there is a logo for "NORTH PEACE COMMERCIAL DRIVING ACADEMY" featuring a blue swoosh and a road graphic. On the right side of the graphic, a yellow school bus is shown from the front, driving on a road that curves into the distance. The bus has black wheels and a black grille.

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contest details

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**NORTH PEACE**  
COMMERCIAL DRIVING ACADEMY





**FAMILY**

**NIGHT**

**COMMUNITY BIKE RODEO**

Join the Peace Region FRN and AHS Health Promotions for tons of fun at our May Family Night! Bring your bikes and helmets to explore our indoor bike rodeo, check out fun family activities and enjoy a hotdog supper!

**Wednesday May 8th**

**5pm-7pm**

**@ the Baytex Energy Center - Dry Pad**  
**All Ages Welcome!!!**



**CALL the FRN to Register!**  
**Space is limited 780.624.0770**

*Peace Region*  
Family Resource Network







# PARENT PAINT-A-POT NIGHT

**WHEN: MAY 21, 2024**

**TIME: 6-8PM**

**WHERE: MR. MIKES**

**PEACE RIVER**

**COST: FREE**



**SCAN THE QR CODE  
AND FILL OUT THE  
GOOGLE FORM TO  
SIGN UP!**



**\*\*20 SPOTS ARE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVE BASIS\*\***



# WILDFIRE PROCEDURE GUIDE



## A wildfire starts nearby, now what?

The Peace River School Division follows the direction of our municipal leaders whenever a fire, or other natural emergency, occurs in one of our school communities.

In the event that any number of student homes are affected by a road closure or evacuation order, our Transportation Department will call the affected families to notify them of any changes to busing. Families who do not receive a phone call will have their students dropped off as per their regular transportation arrangements.

All bus cancellations and delays can be viewed by visiting <https://prsd.mybusplanner.ca>.

## IF A SCHOOL EVACUATION BECOMES NECESSARY

### Parents/Guardians

- Please **DO NOT** call the school. Our telephone system must remain available for emergency communication. We will contact you to provide instructions on where and when to pick up your child.
- Please **DO NOT** come to the school unless you are instructed to.

### Students

- If a school evacuation becomes necessary, students will be transported home via early dismissal or to parent-child reunion location. All parents and guardians will be notified if this happens.

### Where to find updates

We will post all school and transportation updates on our websites and Facebook pages, in addition to sending emails, text messages, and/or phone calls to all affected families.

### Parent-Child Reunion Procedure

- Parents/Guardians will be notified regarding the location for parent-child reunions
- Parents/Guardians will need to sign the teacher's attendance form to ensure all students are accounted for and only released to an authorized legal guardian or emergency contact.
- Valid ID will be required to pick up a student.
- Once you are reunited with your child, for your safety you are encouraged to leave the area immediately.

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