

CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2020

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

The school year is under way. It was truly wonderful to see students in the school again. Wood and stone make a house but the people inside make it a home. A school without students is just a building, it is great to get the home feeling back in the building. It is a year like no other to state the obvious. There is certainly many things different this year: hand sanitizer everywhere, staggered recesses, and masks on all the staff and students. Rest assured safety of students and staff is our top priority, followed closely by providing excellent educational opportunities. Starting September 14 classes will return to regular daily attendance, and the new normal will begin. If you have questions please reach out to the school.

With the suspension of events and extra-curricular activities, we do not have the usual list of fun events on the immediate horizon. The school division has stated they will be reevaluating the suspension of these events and activities at the end of September. We look forward to the day when these events and activities are available again.

We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable fall season, for those working hard to bring in the harvest we wish you the best of luck and hope for a safe harvest. Take care and in these pandemic times, one of the best things we can do is be kind to each other.

-Mr. Brian Linn & Mr. Richard Schwehr

WELCOME BACK REMINDERS

<u>School Parking Lot and Student Safety</u> - Keeping students safe is a priority and we are asking for your assistance. After school, children may be walking between and/or behind parked cars on the way to their parent's vehicle where they can't easily be seen, or may be riding their bikes home after school. Wait to pull away from the school until students have made their way to their vehicles or down the street, and wait until the buses have left the parking lot. We need to do everything we can to avoid accidents, therefore, there will be teachers supervising this area



while the buses are loading. If you attempt to pull away before the buses have left you will be asked to wait. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to provide a safe environment for our students.

**A reminder to all high school students: Please park your vehicles behind the power pole in our schoolyard, as it is hard for our buses to go around each other safely.

<u>Student Attendance</u> - Regular attendance is important for your child's academic success. Please try to schedule appointments outside of school hours whenever possible.

Please do not drop your child off before 8:40 a.m. the doors will be locked until that time.

Please call the school to inform us if your child will be absent or late. If your child is absent or late and we have not received a phone call, we will be calling you to check on your child.

If you pick your child up during the school day please call the school office before they leave, Grade 7-12 students will have to sign out at the office.

Noon Hour - The school policy regarding students leaving the school premises at noon hour:

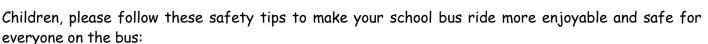
- *K-6 students living out-of-town are not permitted to leave at all. If there are exceptional circumstances, we must receive a letter or phone call from a parent/guardian.
- *Grade 7-9 students will be permitted to leave unless we get a letter from a parent/guardian stating they are not allowed to leave. Grade 10-12 students are permitted to leave but are not allowed to drive unless we have received written permission or a phone call from a parent.

<u>Allergen Awareness</u> - We have been a nut-free school for several years. Our signage has changed to Be Allergen Aware: Reduce the Risks. This encompasses more of the allergens that are common in foods. When in doubt when preparing lunches and snacks for your child, please click on the Anaphylaxis Information under the Safe Schools heading on the Sask Rivers Website, www.srsd119.ca. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the school. Thank you in advance for careful attention in this area.



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

- *Don't let children arrive at the bus stop too early. They may be tempted to wander or get into mischief. Make sure they come straight home—no detours.
- *Make sure children know what to do if they miss the bus: come back home; or if at school, report to a teacher—and **NEVER** accept a ride from a stranger.
- *If the stop is a long way from home, plan and discuss with your children where they can go in an emergency.
- *If it is dark on the way to and from the bus, make sure the children wear reflective clothing and they are visible
- *Make sure that the children wait well away from the road-way, and stay well back until the bus has come to a full stop and the door is open.
- *Explain to children they must walk at least 3 meters away when crossing in front of the bus so the driver can see them.
- *Parents and motorists—watch for the red flashing signals and stop arm on the school bus. YOU MUST STOP.



- *Make sure the driver can always see you when you enter or exit the bus
- *Wait quietly in line—do not push or shove to get onto the bus
- *Don't throw things while on the bus
- *Don't yell or shout while riding the bus. Remain in your seat at all times.
- *Look both ways before you cross the road.
- **A reminder to all students: If you are not going to be on your bus in the morning please call your bus driver and let them know the night before. If you are not able to contact the driver, call the place of pickup before yourself and ask them to tell the bus driver.



School Bus

SAFETY GUIDELINES

- 1. Obey the driver promptly
- Avoid any unnecessary conversation with the driver while the bus is in motion.
- 3. Respect the driver and fellow passengers.
- 4. Arrive 5 minutes before the scheduled pick up time and stand away from the roadway while waiting for the school bus.
- 5. Wait until the bus has come to a complete stop before moving to get on.
- 6. Always cross the road at the intersection or designated cross walk.
- 7. Always keep a safe distance around the school bus (about 3 metres).
- 8. Go directly to your seat; allow others to sit with you. Remain seated.
- 9. Sit facing forward, with your belongings on your lap or under the seat. **Keep the aisle clea**r.
- 10. Obtain approval of the driver to open windows or emergency door. Nothing must hang out or be thrown out of the window of the bus.
- 11. Talk quietly. Silence is required when approaching a railway crossing.
- 12. Eating and drinking are not allowed on the bus. Use of tobacco is forbidden.
- 13. Neither pets nor large objects are allowed on the bus.
- 14. Anyone who intentionally damages the bus will be held responsible.
- 15.Dress according to weather conditions. For safety reasons, avoid drawstrings or loose objects on clothing and backpacks.

Pupil transportation is a privilege – follow the rules

Violation may result in disciplinary action and possible loss of transportation.



STAFF 2020-2021

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Brian Linn - Principal, PAA 9-12

Mr. Richard Schwehr - Vice Principal, Grade 1 Homeroom (a.m.), Reading Instruction, DC Coach

ELEMENTARY STAFF

Mrs. Lisa Howat - Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten

Mrs. Sara Willems (.5) - Kindergarten Homeroom, Grade 7/8 Homeroom (p.m.), PE 2/3, PE 6

Mrs. Heather Hladun - Grade 2/3 Homeroom

Mrs. Raquel Olson - Grade 4/5 Homeroom

Mrs. Colleen Eberts - Grade 6 Homeroom

Mrs. Courtney Hansen (.5) - Grade 4/5 Homeroom, Grade 6 Homeroom, Grade 7/8 Homeroom (p.m.), PE 2/3, PE 6

Mrs. Donna Autet - Grade 7/8 Homeroom (a.m.), Grade 1 Homeroom (p.m.)

HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

Mr. Greg Duval - Grade 9/10 Homeroom, Art 9, Health/Career Ed 9, Math 9, History 11/12, PE 7-12, PAA 11-12

Ms. Brenna Vevang - Grade 9/10 Intern (Sept-Dec)

Ms. Tawnie Kotyk - Grade 11 Homeroom, ELA 9-12, Creative Writing 10-12, Math 10

Mr. Corbin Walberg (Sem 1) - Grade 12 Homeroom, Science 9/10, History 9/10, Physics 11/12, Math 11/12

Mrs. Koralee Sansom (Sem 2) - Grade 12 Homeroom, Science 9, History 9, Physical Science 10,
Chemistry 11/12, Math 11/12

SUPPORT STAFF

Mrs. Connie Bailey - Pre-K EA (.5)

Mrs. Dyan Nordquist - Special Ed EA (.5)

Mrs. Zora Renaud - Special Ed EA

Mrs. Valerie Hinson - Secretary

Mrs. Tracy Pease - Library Clerk (.5)

Ms. Judy Painter/Mrs. Kaley Spigott - School Social Worker

CARETAKERS

Mr. John Kunard - Head Custodian

Mrs. Debbie Delisle - Custodian (.5)

Mrs. Rhonda Schnarr - Custodian (.2)







LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back all students, we have an exciting new year starting with a wonderful school from which to experience it all. I hope everyone had a great summer and had time to pick up a book and read!

Any students with overdue books from last year will have a notice sent home explaining the charges for these books. Have a wonderful year, may we all learn something new!

-Mrs. Tracy Pease



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BELL TIMES 2020-2021

8:45 Warning Bell

8:46 Announcements & O Canada

8:50-9:45 Period 1

9:45-10:00 Recess

10:00-10:55 Period 2

10:55-11:50 Period 3

11:50-12:35 Lunch Break

12:35-1:30 Period 4

1:30-2:25 Period 5

2:25-3:15 Period 6

3:15 School Dismissal







PARENT & CAREGIVER INFORMATION

Picture Day - Picture day will be on Thursday, October 1.

Noon Meal, Snack, Canteen & Milk - These nutrition programs have all been suspended until further notice. We will inform parents/guardians when they become available again.

Microwaves - will be unavailable until further notice.

Water Fountains - will be unavailable until further notice. Water bottle fill stations will be available.

<u>Registration Forms</u> - We ask all parents to please fill out the registration forms sent home with students and return them to the school.

<u>Website</u> - The Saskatchewan Rivers website, <u>Parent Information tab</u> provides valuable information on Assessment and Reporting, School Calendars and Safe Schools. Please visit the website at www.srsd119.ca.

On the Canwood Public School website you will find bus updates, contact information, current hand-book, newsletters, staff lists, student links, calendar of events, and more. Please visit the website at www.cw.srsd119.ca and add it to your favorites or your home screen.



September 2020



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| 28 P re K | PreK | 21 | 14 | Labour Day No Classes | 7 | | Mon |
| 29 K | K | 22 | <i>15</i> | First Day of Classes | 8 | I | Tue |
| 30 PreK | PreK | 23 | l6 PreK | | 9 | 2 | Wed |
| | K | 24 | 17 K | | 10 | 3 | Thu |
| | No PreK | 25 | <i>K</i> | | 11 | 4 | Fri |
| **Picture Day will be Thursday, October 1** | | 26 | 19 | | 12 | 5 | Sat |