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October 1 , 2021 - Principal's Message, Mrs. Kathy McTaggart

Welcome to October, traditionally one of my favorite months. It is time to empty gardens, rake leaves and enjoy the beautiful fall colors.

MESC Busing

I have just been notified that the Directors of Emergency Management for the four Bands have directed a two week reset starting Monday October 4. Buses from the four nations coming to Ponoka will not run for two weeks minimum. We hope that services will be restarting on October 18th 2021

Parent Teacher Interview Process for Quarter 1

Due to the continued restrictions, PSC will be conducting hybrid parent-teacher interviews this round. Teachers will be reaching out to parents they need to talk to in the next week if you haven't already heard from them. If you would like to have a phone or in person interview, please email or phone your teacher to set this up.

School Council

Our first meeting of the year will be Thursday October 14th at 6:30pm. The meeting will be in person at the school. Please ensure you bring a mask. Meeting will be in Rm A121 across from the library.

Terry Fox Run

Ponoka Secondary Campus is on board with over 9,000 schools coast to coast helping continue Terry's dream of a world without cancer. The Terry Fox Foundation needs our support.

This year's Terry Fox Run will be in the afternoon of October 7, 2021. All students and staff are expected to participate. Our grade 10 PE class and senior high student council members will be assisting with the logistics of the run.

Students will be bringing pledge forms home this Friday or donate to:

<http://www.terryfox.ca/PonokaSecondaryCampus>. The TA in both Junior High and High School that raises the most money, will win a class pizza party.

PIE A TEACHER IN THE FACE- Students will have the opportunity to start their bids on September 27th. The highest bid for each individual teacher will be announced on October 7th. The highest bidders will receive honors and will get to pie that teacher in the face. This event will take place prior to the run. All proceeds will go towards the Terry Fox Foundation. Bids will start at \$20.00.

Sports Update

Football: Sr. Broncs Football is playing again this Friday (today) in Camrose and again, Wednesday October 6 at home against Stettler

Volleyball: Volleyball has been exciting this year with some very close games.

Cross Country: Cross country had a sunny warm day for their New Norway race last week. The students came home tired, sun drenched and VERY MUDDY!



Sporting Spectator Information

1 - Masks are mandatory for all spectators in all Wolf Creek facilities/gyms

2 - PSC Gym capacity is 250 athletes, officials and spectators inclusive

3 - Social distancing in our gym is also required

4 - When traveling to spectate at other gyms, please be advised each school and school division has its own Covid capacities and restrictions in place-check with the specific school.



School Photos

School photos are available to view and order. Every student received a unique code when their photos were taken. Simply go to SmartOrders.ca and enter the code to view and order photos of your child.

If the code did not make it home and you would like to order, please give us a call at the school; we have the master list of codes.

Swimming in PE

As part of our PSC Physical Education classes our gr. 7 and 8 students will be taking part in an aquatics program. There will not be swim lessons, but rather a combination of water fitness, and water games like basketball, volleyball, and water polo.

Boys grade 7 and 8 will go on Mon/Tues. Oct. 4/5 during their PE classes.

Girls grade 7 and 8 will go on Wed/Thurs. Oct. 6/7 during their PE classes.

Students will need a swimsuit and towel. Goggles are optional.

Congratulations to September Students of the Month

Grade 7

DomunIQUE Cardinal
Colin Carleton
Ezra Louis
Kaylie Owen

Grade 8

Cruz Minde
Kylee Pitre

Grade 9

Mckenna Avery
Keira Fenton
Jayla Kinnaird

Grade 10

Dathen Hajdasz
Spencer Loree
Asia Saddleback
Christian White

Grade 11

Kailyn Bartley
Keiya Sinclair

Grade 12

Naomi Edwards
Dasia Littlechild
Willow Weber



A special thankyou to Boston Pizza Ponoka for providing gift certificates to our deserving Students of the Month!

Fall Awards

This year's fall awards will again be an intimate event that is held during the school day in small groups. Fall awards day will be Friday October 15th during the morning. If your child is receiving an award you will be sent an email informing you. Parents are invited to attend the 20 minute ceremony for their child's grouping only. Times will be indicated on the email sent to you. Just a reminder that if you plan to attend, you must wear a mask in the school. Awards include all honor and principal list recipients as well as any other awards sponsored by our community. Last year's grade 12 students will receive their awards individually over the next several weeks.

Once again I want to give a huge Thank you to our community for their continued support of our graduates for their achievements. The 2021 graduating class has been fortunate to receive over \$22,000 in awards and scholarships.

Kathy