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School Hours
Welcoming Bell 8:50 a.m.
Classes Begin 8:55 a.m.

8:55 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.

Lunch 12:05 p.m. -
12:45p.m.

12:45p.m. – 3:10 p.m.

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 Clan Shirt Day 	2 Wacky Hair Day 	3 (K) Hat Day - \$1  Report Cards Home	4
5	6 Ring Pop Sales \$1  F.I. Education Week	7	8 Clan Shirt Day 	9 Fransakois Flag Day Selena's Donair Hot Lunch	10 (K) Hat Day - \$1 	11
12	13	14 Red & Pink Day Valentine Sock Hop Ring-Pop Delivery	15 Pink Shirt Day 	16	17 (K) Hat Day - \$1 	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

FEBRUARY BREAK

Mon/Wed – (K)
Tues/Thurs – (K)

Please report all absences:
24 HOUR ATTENDANCE NUMBER: 1-833-309-1241
www.apattendance@srsd119.ca
or you can use **Edsby**

Upcoming Dates

March 30 – SCC Meeting @ 6:30pm

Supervision

Our school provides supervision 8:35am-3:25pm. If your child requires supervision or child care outside of these hours, please make the appropriate arrangements. For information on the Blooms and Buds Before and After School Program, please contact Samantha Simmonds at (306) 764-6505.



Athletics Update

Basketball wraps up before the break with the P4A playoffs. Schedules will be handed out as they become available. Visit the P4A website for the most up to date information. <https://sites.google.com/a/students.srsd119.ca/p4a/> Thanks to all of our coaches for volunteering their time!

Skates and Helmets Needed!

In February and March, some of our classes will be skating at the West Hill rink. We are always looking for more used skates and helmets to help us get everyone on the ice. More info about skating will be sent home with students at the start of the month.

Let's Keep Recycling!

We still have a school SARCAN Drop & Go Group Account making recycling drop off so easy. Feel free to donate your household recycling using the Drop and Go group phrase **APPS** in the touch screen terminal at the SARCAN depot. All funds will be sent to the school by cheque, and will be used to help with transportation for a variety of school events throughout the year. Thank you so much your continued support!

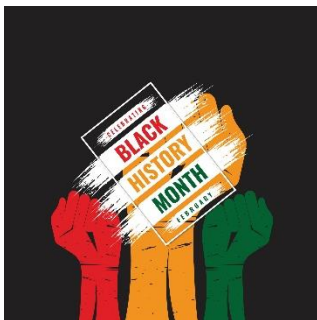


[Silver for Gold](#) was created with the hope of impacting families across Saskatchewan. We collect pop tabs and donate 100% of the money to Childhood Cancer Research and Awareness directly supporting [Small But Mighty SK](#) from [Saskatoon, Saskatchewan](#). Please save your tabs. If you have any questions, please contact Mme Shelley Mitchell. She is the representative for Prince Albert and area and will pick up your tabs.



SLC Events

Every Friday during the month of February is hat day. Pay \$1 to wear your favourite hat on these days, and all proceeds go to Telemiracle. During the week of February 6-10, the SLC will be selling Ring Pops for \$1, to be delivered on the 14th. Also on the 14th, the students will get to enjoy a Valentine Sock-Hop in the gym!



Black History Month is celebrated every year from February 1 to March 1 to honour the legacy and achievements of black Canadians, who throughout history have accomplished so much to make the country a prosperous and compassionate nation as it is today.

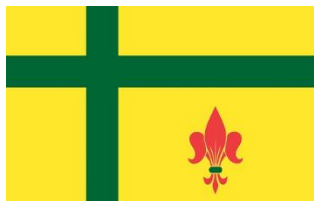
Black History Month is about remembering the contributions black people have made in the past and continue to make in various industry sectors and regions across Canada. It is about embracing innovation, resilience, and togetherness towards a united country in which everyone has a chance to prosper.

The best way to celebrate Black History Month is to join organizations and foundations in your community and learn more about the history of black people in Canada and their achievements. Search for [#BlackHistoryMonth](#) on social media, and you'll find plenty of groups to join.



Pink Shirt Day

Our 2023 Pink Shirt Day design was inspired by moments of kindness, empathy and understanding that can mean so much to children impacted by bullying. For bullied kids, it can be hard to know where to turn. But a helping and supportive hand can make a world of difference! Remember that whether it's sending a check-in text, calling out bullying behaviour when you see it, or simply offering your support, there are so many ways we can all help and connect with people being bullied. Let's Lift Each Other Up this Pink Shirt Day, and all year round!



French Immersion Events

The week of February 6th-10th is French-Second-Language Education Week in Saskatchewan with Canadian Parents for French. It is a chance to celebrate the growing number of families and students that value and are learning the French language in our schools. During this week at school, we

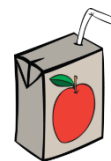
have many activities planned, including a French film, folk dancing, playing spoons, etc. We are looking forward to helping our students "Find Your Own Story!", "Découvrez votre propre histoire!" We are so excited to celebrate French culture at École Arthur Pechey!



CANTEEN Available from 12:05 to 12:45



Kindergarten students will use a pre-order form and have access on their attendance days.



Prices and availability are subject to change without notice

Fresh Pizza: Pepperoni or Cheese.....	\$3.00/slice
Leftover Pizza (frozen & reheated – sometimes available)	\$1.50
Corn dogs	\$1.50
Pizza Pops : Pepperoni or cheese	\$2.00
Granola bars.....	\$0.50
Beef Jerky	\$2.00
Hot Rods	\$1.00
Crispers/Pretzels/Popcorn/Chips	\$1.50
Flavored water	\$1.50
Juice boxes	\$1.00
Desserts: wagon wheel, Rice Krispie squares, pudding (chocolate & vanilla), frozen yogurt tubes	\$1.00
Welches Fruit snacks	\$0.50

Allergen Aware: Reduce the Risk

There are children in our school with severe life threatening food allergies (anaphylaxis) to nuts and peanuts. This medical condition can result in death within minutes. Although this may or may not affect your child's class directly, we ask that any foods you send to school with your child be free from nut or peanut products. More information about anaphylaxis is available at the school. Please contact us. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Miss Bender's Reading Challenge.

Each Month students who have library with Miss Bender have the chance to win prizes for reading! Any student who finishes a book at their reading level, gets entered in a draw. In total, these classes have read approximately 40 books this month! Here are the winners from this months draw: Rowan, Jackson (Missing), Evan, Anora, and Lily (missing). Also, congratulations to Mme. Meyer's grade 5 class who read the most books for the month of September, with 24 books! Great work Eagles, let's keep reading!!

Staff Appreciation Week

The Ministry of Education has officially declared February 12-18, 2023 as Staff Appreciation Week in Saskatchewan. This year's theme is "Champions of Learning." The Arthur Pechey School Community Council would like to provide staff with a few yummy treats throughout the week to show appreciation. We would like to invite families to help show their appreciation by contributing a small cash gift towards this effort rather than coordinating a potluck effort. The more of us contribute towards this, the more treats show up in the staff room! Your much appreciated contributions can be sent in cash or submitted online through SchoolCashOnline. You can look out for a SchoolCash notification coming your way soon. You will also see a note coming home in the coming days. Thank you for helping us show our school team some appreciation for all they do for our children!

Community Information

The Prince Albert Cadet Corps of W.K. Reed #5 Navy League Cadets, #118 Rawalpindi Sea Cadets, 38 Anavets Air Cadets, the 390 Army Cadets and their parent sponsor committees would like to invite you and your family for a pancake breakfast and open house on **February 4, 2023** at the Prince Albert Armoury.

What: Pancake breakfast open house

When: February 4th, 2023, from 8am – 3pm (breakfast served until 11am)

Where: Prince Albert Armoury

Cost: Breakfast \$5.00 per person which includes 3 pancakes, 3 sausages, juice, or coffee.

- Can't make it for the breakfast/open house? No worries, please bring your child/teen down to the armory on any of the following nights to see the cadets in action.
Navy League cadets parade Friday evenings between 630pm- 9pm (9-12years old)
- Sea Cadets Thursday evenings 630pm-9pm. (12-18 years old),
- Army cadets Tuesday evening's 630pm -9pm (12-18 years old)
- Air cadets Monday evenings 630pm - 9pm (12- 18 years old)

THUNDER TRYOUTS
SPRING CLUB TEAMS
MONDAY, FEB 27
THURSDAY, MARCH 2
@ CARLTON COMPREHENSIVE HS

Registration info and times for each division will be posted on Facebook PA Thunder Basketball and Instagram @thunderball306

U7&U9 will practice 2x/week and play locally.
 U11-U17 will practice 2x/week and travel to tournaments April - early June.

Royals
PA

BOYS & GIRLS
5-18
 Years Old

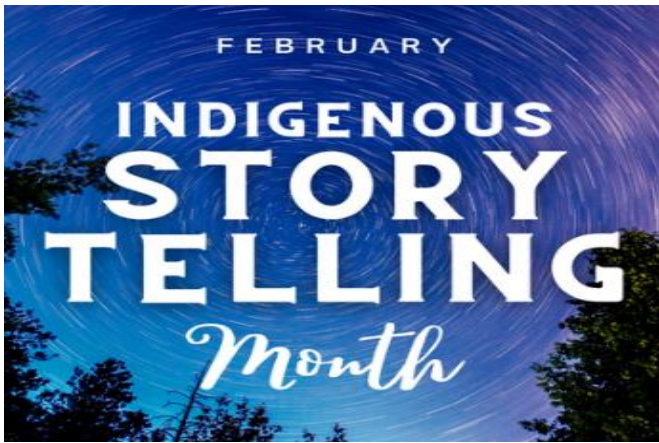
PRINCE ALBERT MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

ROYALS BASEBALL 2023

For details on our programs or to Register your child visit our website

paminorbaseball.com

February is Indigenous Storytelling Month!



In the spirit of reconciliation, our school strives to prioritize the inclusion of Indigenous content, perspectives, and knowledge into our learning. It is our responsibility to learn about Indigenous culture and celebrate the amazing talents of Indigenous authors, artists, and knowledge keepers on Turtle Island.

“There are different ways of telling stories. Some people would get up and they would recite really long stories; they would almost sing or chant them. Then there were stories that people played with fiddles and were part of fiddle dances. There were the stories that were told in the evening in the winter – and there were stories that had laws and taught us how to live good lives.” ~Maria Campbell

February Clan Celebrations

- Send a picture of your family learning about, or sharing, an Indigenous/cultural story at home, to lprimeau@srsd119.ca to be showcased on our social media pages.
- Calling all Arthur Pechey Indigenous writers and illustrators! Send in a short story and/or an illustration that teaches about an Indigenous perspective, content and/or knowledge. These stories will be collected and displayed in the school. Send your stories and illustrations to lprimeau@srsd119.ca or bring them to Mrs. Primeau.

Tipi Teachings

Thankfulness

“We learn to give thanks: to always be thankful for the Creator’s bounty, which we are privileged to share with others, and for all the kind things others do for us.” ~ Elder Mary Lee

How does your family show thankfulness? What are you thankful for?

Sharing

“We learn to be part of a family and community by helping with the provisions of food and other basic needs. Through the sharing of responsibilities, we learn the value of working together and enjoying the fruits of our labour.” ~ Elder Mary Lee

How can sharing help you live a healthy lifestyle?





You may recall that earlier in the year, Arthur Pechey parents and students from grades 4-8 were invited to complete the OurSCHOOL Survey. The staff took some time to review the responses. Here are just some of the results and our responses.

We asked:

Please tell us some of the things you really like about your child's school, or things that would make it even better.

You said:

- I miss being able to connect easily with my child's teacher. Edsby doesn't seem to have great functionality and it can be frustrating at times.
- I miss notifications from my child's teacher
- I can't log on to the Edsby app

We say:

Edsby has some great functionality!
If you have any trouble with the app- our secretary, Mrs. Guidinger would be happy to help you! Just give us a call at 306-922-9229

Students said:

- more playground equipment
- my school is good, but more playground for grade 6 and up would be better.
- better playground equipment near the older kid's side

We say:

Our fundraising efforts continue to go towards new playground equipment. Thanks for your ongoing support!

Thanks for your input!

It is the partnership between home and school that makes École Arthur Pechey Public School so great!



You Said:

I feel safe knowing that there is a doorbell at the front door and the doors remain locked

My children are happy there, and enjoy their teachers.

I am very happy with the school & the staff. Thank you for all your hard work!!

This school should be an example to others on how to incorporate anti-racist teaching and allow the Indigenous voices and values to thrive.

I love how family oriented it is. The family activities are a great way for me to be able to see the school and what is going on in my child's classroom.

I love what you are doing within the school to raise awareness of culture and providing opportunities for students to identify and feel like they belong.

I like that the teachers are open with me and communicate any positives, negatives, or just knowledge about my child's learning experience. The school is welcoming and staff make an effort to connect even if they don't know me well.



DON'T HESITATE, **VACCINATE**

PFIZER (age 6mths +), MODERNA (age 6 months +)

Influenza (age 6 months +)

NOVAVAX at Gateway Mall SATURDAYS only—walk in

Walk-ins and Booked appointments (1-833-SASKVAX OR ONLINE)

Gateway Mall (under the skylights)
COVID Clinics (Thursdays & Saturdays)

Feb 2— 2:30pm—6:30pm

Feb 4—10am—2pm

Feb 9— 2:30pm—6:30pm

Feb 11—10am—2pm

Feb 16— 2:30pm—6:30pm

Feb 18—10am—2pm

Feb 23— 2:30pm—6:30pm

Feb 25—10am—2pm



