

# Parkland News

"Expand Your Horizons"

# OCTOBER 2024

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 8	Student Fees Due
Oct 14	Thanksgiving Day—School Closed
Oct 16	PAC Meeting, 6:30 PM in the Library
Oct 18	Raider Day
Oct 23	Hot Lunch
Oct 25	Pro D, School Closed for Students
Oct 28	Earth Rangers Assesmbly, 8:30 AM
Oct 30	Hot Lunch
Oct 30	Halloween Dance, 6:00-9:00 PM
Nov 1	Non Instructional Day, School Closed
Nov 6	Photo Retakes

## Friday Rotations

Oct 4	Week 2 Monday
Oct 11	Week 1 Tuesday
Oct 18	Week 2 Monday



## STUDENT ABSENCE

If your child is going to be absent please advise the office via School Messenger Safe Arrival (see information below) or by calling the office and leaving a message on our answering machine. Please call 250-426-3327, choose option 1.



## SCHOOL FEES are DUE OCT 8

School fees are charged to all students to cover the cost of locks, lockers, handbooks and miscellaneous supplies. **The cost is \$20** and can be paid using School Cash Online or may be paid in the office by cash or cheque.

If you have not already done so, please log in and set up School Cash Online. It's easy and a great way to stay on top of your child's fees. Visit our school website and click on School Cash Online to use the site.



A LIMITED NUMBER OF  
PARKLAND CALENDAR MAGNETS ARE AVAILABLE AT  
THE OFFICE. HAVE YOUR CHILD PICK ONE UP IF YOU'D  
LIKE ONE FOR YOUR FRIDGE.



Check Out Our Web Site [pms.sd5.bc.ca](https://pms.sd5.bc.ca)

## STUDENT PICK-UP AND DROP

Due to congestion along 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South we have changed our student drop-off and pick-up area. Please drop-off and pick-up your child in the school parking lot. Follow the signs and please stay to the RIGHT!

## PARKLAND PAC IS ON FACEBOOK

Please visit our PMS website and click the link for the PARKLAND PAC and request to join the group.

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Ms. Brenda Tyson – Principal, ext. 21203

Mrs. Pam Drydale – Vice Principal, ext. 21204

Mr. Dan van der Walt—Counsellor, ext. 21209



### **BATTERY BLITZ**

When batteries are not recycled properly, they can end up in landfills where they not only add to waste but can potentially release harmful materials into the environment.

The Recycle Your Batteries, Canada! Program collects and recycles over 4 million kg of batteries each year. You can do your part by participating in the Battery Blitz School Mission!

Bring your used batteries, and those of your friends and family, to the collection box in the school office and our school could win an amazing cash prize. The more we collect the better chance we have of winning!

Refer to <https://www.earthrangers.com/EN/CA/batteryblitzschoolcontest/> for guidelines on how to prepare household batteries for recycling.



### **YOUTH CARE**

Are rising costs of groceries a concern for your family? Reach out to the Parkland Youth Care department for information about food security programs.

Breakfast, nutritional break and Lunch available daily.

[Kelly.fentie@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.fentie@sd5.bc.ca) or [Robin.Priore@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:Robin.Priore@sd5.bc.ca) Call# 25-0426-3327



### **ATHLETICS**

Volleyball season is in full swing. Both bantam and junior (grade 8 and 9) teams have had at least one tournament with a busy upcoming schedule:

- Bantam Girls: Oct. 4-5 in Sparwood, Oct. 25-26 at Parkland, Nov. 1-2 in Fernie (East Kootenay championships)
- Bantam Boys: Oct. 4-5 in Elkford, Oct. 25-26 at Laurie, Nov. 1-2 in Jaffray (East Kootenay championships)
- Junior Girls: Oct. 4-5 in Creston, Oct. 18-19 in Fernie, Oct. 25-26 in Jaffray, Nov. 1-2 at Mt. Baker, Nov. 8-9 in Sparwood (East Kootenay championships)
- Junior Boys: Oct. 4-5 in Fernie, Oct. 18-19 in Fernie, Nov. 1-2 at Mt. Baker, Nov. 8-9 in Elkford (East Kootenay championships)
- Grade 7 teams will look to play more weeknight games, but they have the following tournaments: Oct. 25-26 in Fernie, Nov. 15-16 in Cranbrook (boys at Parkland, girls at Laurie)
- Basketball will start in mid-November. We are looking for coaches for the following teams: Grade 7 boys and girls, grade 9 girls. Please contact [adam.wills@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:adam.wills@sd5.bc.ca) if you are interested in helping.
- Parkland's Climbing Club will begin next week. This free program runs after school until 4:30, Tuesday through Thursday (tentatively) from October 8 until winter break. Students may contact Mr. Wills or Mrs. McElgunn for more information.



## CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH

Canadian Parents for French invites you to become a member. Membership is free and comes with many benefits to support your child's education of French. Visit <https://cpf.ca/en/join-cpf/> for more information.

**CPF Cranbrook-Fernie chapter AGM will be held over Zoom at 7pm Sunday October 20.** We are looking for new chapter members to take on board positions (president, treasurer) as current people are stepping down. If you'd like to be involved in supporting French education in the area, this is a good opportunity! Email [cpfcranbrookfernier@gmail.com](mailto:cpfcranbrookfernier@gmail.com) to let us know you're interested or to receive the agenda and last AGM's minutes.

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/89679965242?pwd=UGt6SHNJYmsxeHQ0Mkh4c2RVV3hkQT09>  
Meeting ID: 896 7996 5242  
Passcode: U5H76S

### Hot Lunch is Coming to Parkland

Please stay tuned for more details about a hot lunch program coming to Parkland every Wednesday. The first lunch will be served on October 23rd and run through the school year. Parents and students can order online and pay what they can for the meal. All students are welcome!

We may need some volunteers to help support the loading of the dishwasher. Please contact [kelly.fentie@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:kelly.fentie@sd5.bc.ca) if you would be available.

### PAC Ornament Fundraiser

Custom laser cut ornaments will be on-sale for the month of October with a December delivery date. Watch your email for details about this exciting fundraiser organized by our PAC.



### VINTAGE CUTLERY WANTED

Do you have old forks and spoons that you no longer use? Our shop teacher is looking for items, preferably with patterns or designs on them to make jewelry with our students. If you have items that you would like to donate you can send them with your child to Mr. Peters.



*Thinking of maybe hosting an international student? Come out to our info session to find more about what's involved*

## **INFO SESSION**

For prospective host parents

Considering opening your home to an international student? Come find out what's required, how to apply, and what to expect from hosting!

**LEARN MORE**

📅 Wednesday, October 16  
🕒 7:00 - 9:00 PM  
📍 MBSS Library

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN**  
International Student Program

