

# Parkland News

“Expand Your Horizons”

# JANUARY 2026



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Jan 5 Classes Resume
- Jan 16 Non Instructional Day, School Closed
- Jan 20 Winter Activity Day #1
- Jan 21 PAC Meeting, 6:30 PM in the Library
- Jan 27 Semester 2

### Thank you to “The CHOICE”

BIG "Shout Out" again this year to our local business "The Choice" for donating brand new clothing and footwear to Parkland Middle School. Their fundraising efforts are greatly appreciated, and a wonderful example of the importance of supporting local. If you have a child attending our school who is in need, please contact our Youth Care team (Robin Priore or Evelyn Goodman) and we will be happy to help!



### PARKLAND PAC IS ON FACEBOOK

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



## Friday Rotations

Jan 9	Week 2 Tuesday
Jan 23	Week 2 Tuesday
Jan 30	Week 1 Thursday

## FOOD DRIVE/TURKEY DINNER

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our annual holiday food drive! Parkland was able to donate 332 lbs of food and over \$500 to the Cranbrook Food Bank in support of our community. Well done, everyone!

**A massive thank you to PAC** who funded our entire holiday turkey dinner. It was a wonderful event of full tummies and holiday cheer shared between students, staff, and our community. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to make the day a massive success for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year running.

Parkland Middle School

1115 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South, Cranbrook, BC, V1C 2B4

Phone: 250-426-3327

Ms. Brenda Tyson – Principal, ext. 21203

Mrs. Pam Drydale – Vice Principal, ext. 21204

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



## STUDENT ABSENCE

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



## CELL PHONES & DIGITAL SERVICES

Phones and handheld devices are to stay in lockers.

Smart watches, earbuds and gaming devices, are not to be used during instructional time.

## STUDENTS ARRIVING LATE / DISMISSING EARLY

All students arriving late to school, or leaving at any point during the school day, are required to check in/out at the office.

If your child must leave school during the school day they require a signed note or a parent phone call to the office and must check out at the office prior to leaving the building.

We cannot accept a text message.

Check Out Our  
WebSite  
[pms.sd5.bc.ca](http://pms.sd5.bc.ca)

## Cranbrook Legion Remembrance Day Poetry Contest

Congratulations to Zoey Halvorson who won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Intermediate Poem category.

Presenting the certificate is Cynthia Stuart from the Royal Canadian Legion. Also pictured are classroom teacher – Michelle Bannister and principal, Brenda Tyson.



## SCHOOL FEES

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.

## **BAND FUNDRAISING—GROCERY GIFT CARDS**

Band student fundraising is well underway. Grocery gift cards are an easy way to raise money for your child's annual band trip. Cards can be purchased in the school office for face value and a percentage of your purchase goes directly to your child's fundraising account. Cards can be used across Canada and make a great gift for students or grandparents.

Superstore (5%) available in \$50 and \$100

Safeway (6%) available in \$25, \$50 and \$100

Save on Foods (6%) available in \$50 and \$100

For large orders (over \$3000) please call ahead to be sure we have the amount available.

### **Criminal Record Checks**

At this time, all previous CRCs from Parkland, and all other sites, are no longer valid. The district is asking that we use a new system that will allow for easier tracking at the district level, and will allow for CRC clearance at other schools. If you are coaching/volunteering for school events, and have not already completed a current CRC, please email [chris.aikins@sd5.bc.ca](mailto:chris.aikins@sd5.bc.ca) for more information.

*Pam Drydale  
Athletic Director*



### **PARKLAND CLOTHING**

Introducing Our New School Clothing Website!

We're excited to launch a fresh, easy-to-use site where you can shop all your favorite school gear. Fast shipping, great prices, and styles for every student. Start the year in style!

👉 Visit now: <https://parklandmiddleschool.entripyshop.s.com/>

### **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!**