

Parkland News

"Expand Your Horizons"

October 2026

Friday Rotations

Oct 2	Week 1 Wednesday
Oct 9	Week 1 Tuesday
Oct 16	Week 1 Monday
Oct 30	Week 1 Wednesday



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 6 Student Fees Due
Oct 7 Rock Solid, Gr 7s at Idlewild HR 701, 702 & 706
Oct 8 Rock Solid, Gr 7s at Idlewild HR 703, 704 & 705
Oct 12 Thanksgiving—School Closed
Oct 23 Pro D—School Closed for Students
Oct 23 PMS Hosting Jr. Boys Volleyball Tournament
Oct 27 Photo Retakes
Oct 29 Fall Dance 6-8 PM Chaperones Needed

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.

Check Out Our Web Site

<https://www.sd5.bc.ca/pms>

All sorts of great information about PMS right at your fingertips!

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.

HOT LUNCH WEDNESDAYS

Meals are \$7.50 each, includes a chocolate chip cookie. White/Chocolate Milk \$1 each

<https://sd5.food-for-thought.ca/orders/menu>

October 7 Roast Chicken with Mashed Potatoes & Mixed Vegetables

October 14 Orzo, Chickpea and Roasted Pepper Salad

October 21 Pulled Pork on a Bun with Coleslaw

October 28 Butter Chicken with Rice and Naan Bread

This is a pay-what-you-can program.

PAC Meeting

Our Parent Advisory Council meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM. You can follow them on Facebook (Parkland PAC) for updates and events. Our first meeting of the year is September 18th at 6:30PM in the school Library. Click the link on our website to join the group.

PAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting for the Parkland Parent Advisory Council is planned to be held on Wednesday 21 October at 630pm in the school library.

All parents and guardians are warmly invited to attend. Come and connect with other parents, meet school and district staff, and learn more about what's going on at Parkland!

GROCERY GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE

The Parkland Band is once again offering grocery gift cards to offset fundraising costs for band trips. You can purchase cards in the office with cash/cheque. All profits go directly to your child's band account and will be applied to future band trip payments. Cards are available in \$50 and \$100 denominations. Parents wanting to purchase large quantities for Christmas gifts or corporate purchases please contact the office with at least 5 weeks notice.

Superstore 5%

Safeway 6%

Save On Foods 6%

2026-2027 YEARBOOKS

2026-2027 Parkland school yearbooks will be available for purchase until December 18, 2026. You may pay using school cash online or with cash/cheque in the office. Yearbooks are printed over the summer and distributed the following September.



ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

Athletics at Parkland Middle School are in full force. We have 6 volleyball teams practicing and 4 of those teams are already competing in tournaments. This year we have a competitive swim team. They are off to their Zone Swim Meet in Fernie on October 18th, where they will face school teams from both the East and West Kootenays. We are still hoping to field a junior boys soccer team, as there are a few Junior Play Days coming up. We have the boys recruiting and will keep parents up to date.

Our Cross Country Running team is working hard and training with the Mount Baker And Laurie School Teams. We are looking forward to some exciting results from some very fast runners.

We are hosting a few volleyball tournaments in the upcoming weeks. Our Junior Boys will be hosting their home tournament on October 23-24, and our Junior Girls will be playing at Laurie Middle School that same weekend.

Cross Country Running

- Sept. 14 - Oct. 27
- Practices are Mondays and Wednesdays at Mount Baker Secondary, 3:45 - 5pm
- Meets are: Idlewild on Oct. 6, Fernie on Oct. 14, and Provincial Zone Qualifiers in Salmo on Oct. 27

Matt Taylor should have permission forms and associated costs (if applicable)

CLIMBING CLUB

Climbing Club

- Sept. 22 - Nov. 26
- Yup, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:15-4:15
- Yes please to permission forms (no ARQ trip this year, so just climbing wall ones, pretty please)

No fees

SAVE ON FOODS GIVE BACK TO OUR COMMUNITY

Each time you shop at Save on Foods you give back to our school community. Please tell your cashier you wish to support Parkland and they will write your purchase in a book and we will receive a credit of 5% to help families in need.

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



PHOTO RETAKES

School Photo Retakes are Tuesday, October 27th. We are looking for a couple of volunteers to help organize students. If you have a couple of hours to spare that morning please send a note to pms.mailing@sd5.bc.ca Every student and staff must have a photo for our student information system and for student ID cards. Grade 9s, these are your photos that will go on our memory wall. Note: we ask that students **do not** wear hats in the photos.

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.

STUDENT PICK-UP AND DROP

Please drop-off and pick-up your child in the school parking lot. Follow the signs and please stay to the RIGHT!

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PARKLAND PAC IS ON FACEBOOK

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

