



May 2022

Raider's Report

Paul Rowe Jr./Sr. High School Newsletter

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Recognizes Mental Health Week and Celebrates Education Week



Celebrating education by hosting a Poetry Café was just one of many events held at Paul Rowe in the week of May 2-6!

Each May, our school shows support for the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) by participating in Mental Health Week activities. The 2022 CMHA Mental Health Week slogan was *"This is empathy."* *"Empathy. It's the capacity we share as human beings to step into each other's shoes. To understand where they're coming from and what they're feeling. To listen hard and refuse to judge. It's also one way to reduce and resolve conflict."*

As a school, we participated in the following Mental Health Week activities:

- "Hats on for Mental Health"
- "Drop Everything for Mental Health"
- Tea Friday

- Movin' for Mental Health Community Fun Run/Walk & Movie. (*Thank you to community sponsors: Alberta Health Services, Aurora Theatre, Battle River Ag. Society, Community Actions for Health & Wellbeing, Edge Compression Services, FCSS, Jo Dot Com, MES, Paul Rowe, Rosary, and Wayne and Judy Vandemark Family!*)

Each year, Education Week aligns with Mental Health Week. This year we celebrated Education week with:

- "Leave Your Mark on our School" handprints
- Poetry Café
- Class Colour Day (SCOER Spirit Day)

Also in this Issue:

- * **Upcoming Events:**
 - Parent BBQ & Open House
 - Grade 9 Parent Meeting
 - "High School Musical"* Performances
 - Grade 9 Celebration
 - Class of 2022 Graduation

Upcoming Events:

May

- * **10 School Council Meeting**
- * **16 Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Exams Begin**
- * **23 No School (Victoria Day)**
- * **30 BBQ, School Tours and Grade 7 & 10 Parent Meetings for 2022-2023 students**

June:

- * **6 No School for Students (Staff Meeting/PD Day)**
- * **13 Grade 9 Celebration**
- * **16 Last Day of Regular Classes for Grades 7-12**
- * **17 Final Exams Begin for Grades 7-12**
- * **17-18 "High School Musical"**

Parents and Guardians:

In Your Family's Mailout:

- * June Final Exam Schedule
- * AHS Healthy Teens: Vaping

Messages to Parents/Guardians:

- * Please review the final exam schedule for important information regarding exam tutorials and attendance following the last day of regular classes on June 16.

To view our monthly newsletter IN FULL COLOUR visit www.paulrowehigh.ca!

Parents & Guardians: Please Save the Dates

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00 PM

All parents/guardians are encouraged to attend and to provide input.

Attend in-person or virtually! Please call the school at (780) 836-3397 for details on how to join the Google Meet.



PARENT BBQ, SCHOOL TOURS and NEW GRADE 7 & 10 PARENT ORIENTATION MEETINGS

Monday, May 30

5:00 PM—6:00 PM

BBQ & School Tours

Open to all parents/guardians of students attending Paul Rowe currently or in the 2022-2023 school year.

6:00—7:00 PM

Grade 7 & 10 Parent Orientation

Open to all parents/guardians of current Grade 6 students at MES and Grade 9 students at Paul Rowe and Rosary Schools.

Note: Families unable to tour the school at this time may contact the school office to make alternate arrangements.

Changing the Hyper-Sexualized Culture: CONSENT & BOUNDARIES

A presentation for
Parents, Faculty & Supportive Community Members

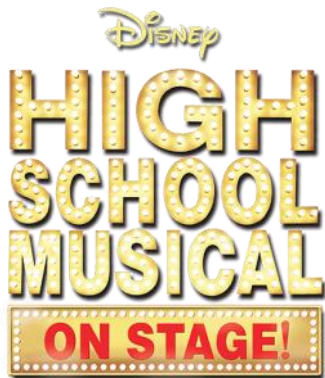
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with
Shelley Lauze

Topics include:

- social media influence
- consent
- boundaries
- legal implications & definitions
- and much more!

PLEASE WATCH FOR MORE INFO!



Paul Rowe's Drama Club Presents HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Friday, June 17 7:00 PM

Saturday, June 18 3:00 PM

Tickets on sale soon!



*Good Bye
Middle School
Hello! High
School*

**GRADE 9
CELEBRATION
June 13
6:30 —7:30 PM
Paul Rowe Jr./Sr.
High School**

CLASS OF 2022 GRADUATION CEREMONY

**Saturday, June 25th 1:00 PM
Manning Arena**

Floor seating limited to grads and invited guests. Open seating in bleachers available for additional friends & family.



Superintendent's Message: Education and Mental Health Awareness Week

The Peace River School Division is passionate about achieving student success and we continually use our Three-Year Education plan as a vehicle to drive our efforts. Our first two goals ensure our students receive outstanding teaching and learning in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy, but I want to take some time to highlight our division's third goal: **All students are successful through inclusionary practices and engaging culture.**

From May 2-6 all our schools will be celebrating Education Week and Mental Health Awareness Week. I believe our third goal will demonstrate our commitment to our students overall educational experience and our ongoing dedication to supporting students' mental health.

This inclusionary goal is further divided into multiple educational outcomes, which include, **"We believe in the importance that our students are meeting high expectations in learner outcomes that reflect their individual academic needs and interests,"** and also, **"We understand that our students' physical and social emotional wellness needs and interests are met and their academic engagement is increased by ensuring they are learning in a safe and caring environment that celebrates diversity."** As you can see our third goal does an excellent job at intertwining education and mental health together for our students within the Division.

To achieve these outcomes, PRSD continues to support and implement Wrap Around Services which include trained Social Workers, Project Peace Workers, and Youth Enhancement Support Workers to all divisional students. The school division also meets our student learner outcomes by providing a Collaborative Response to education that ensures we accurately assess where students are at in their learning journey. We also provide targeted instruction in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy to ensure students continue to learn and be successful.

During Education Week and Mental Health Awareness Week, our students and staff will participate in activities and learning opportunities that highlight the importance of education and mental health in our lives, families, schools, community, and the world. To that end, I am happy to report that we have four teachers within the school division that are volunteering their time to teach Ukrainian students through virtual lessons. This selfless act truly signifies the importance of public education and why we should celebrate our division's ability to meet the educational needs of all children. It also highlights the need for us to understand how important mental health is when thinking about a student's academic achievements.

Thank you to students, parents, staff, community members and organizations for your support - the work you do makes a difference, and we appreciate you.

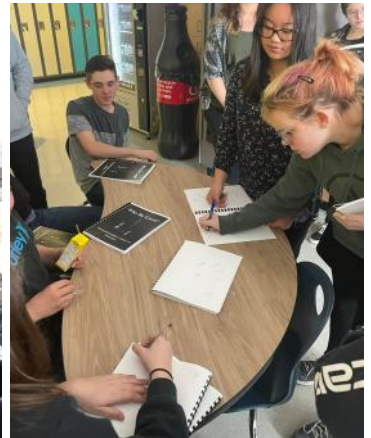
Adam Murray
Superintendent of Schools
Peace River School Division



Peace River School Division Has Approved the 2022-2023 School Year Calendar

The PRSD school year calendar for 2022-2023 is now available at <https://www.prsd.ab.ca/our-division/prsd-news/post/2022-2023-school-calendar>

April School Happenings



Mr. Davidson's Literacy class recently held their book launch celebration announcing the printing of their class collection of essays exploring the question "Why be good?" from a philosophical perspective. Congratulations to the winning writers: 1st place Ryleigh G., 2nd place Kade W., and 3rd place (tie) Liam B. and Alex N.. Congratulations to everyone!



Our "Rage About the Page" literacy contest wrapped up April 30th! This contest encouraged students to read and respond to their reading! Congratulations to prize winners Abby A., Savanna N., Kenna M., Jasper B., and Clare T!

"The Rush and Roar" art exhibition from The Alberta Foundation for the Arts on behalf of the Art Gallery of Grande Prairie was on display at our school! "The Rush and Roar" conceptualizes how the past influences the present. Thank you to Mrs. Presakarchuk for organizing!



We were happy to help Junior High Badminton Divisional host school, Rosary School, by having some games played at Paul Rowe!

PRFHL (Paul Rowe Floor Hockey League) is back! Thanks to Mr. Davidson for organizing!

Mrs. Presakarchuk Featured in National News Article



Each Wednesday morning since April 6, Vikki Presakarchuk wakes up early and at 6 AM logs onto Zoom to teach drama to students in war-torn Ukraine. Typically about 30 students, ranging in age from nine to seventeen, join her class. Some of these students have been displaced from their homes since the Russian invasion began in late February.

Vikki, along with four other teachers from Peace River School Division who volunteer time to teach Ukrainian students online, were recently featured in a CBC News article. To view the article, which includes a radio interview with Vikki, visit <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/alberta-teachers-online-lessons-ukraine-1.6434468>

Thank You For Feeding Our Students!



We are excited to once again welcome community volunteers into our school! This means that hot items such as grilled cheese and pancakes are back on the Food for Thought menu! Thank you to April volunteers Constable Jon McNickle & Kora Chabot (RCMP), Yvonne Lambert, Erica Bacso, Mandy Whillans, Tanice Richards, Pam Galbraith and Shilo Johnson, Nelly Paulovich & Jennifer Gummesen, (Vision Credit Union)!



The live performance of High School Musical by our Drama Club is June 17-18! With only weeks to go, after school rehearsals have been extended into the evenings. Luckily, some amazing supporters have stepped up to feed our performers and crew! Thank you to Vikki Presakarchuk and Jen Paulovich, the Taylor Family, Tanice Richards, Mandy and Shaye Whillans and Tacel Saneo. Thank you also to Freson Bros. for donating the taco bags!



CAN YOU SPARE THE GIFT OF TIME?

Please contact our office to inquire about volunteer opportunities such as Food for Thought, Hot Lunch, etc.

NO TIME TO SPARE?

Non-perishable, single-serve food items for our free student lunch pantry would be appreciated. Popular items include Kraft mac & cheese cups, chicken salad with crackers packs, dried fruit & pudding. Gluten-free granola bars would also be greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU!



Food for Thought would like to recognize
Brown Style Shop for their donation!

Sorry we missed you! Thank you to the Manning Municipal Library for lending us their Nintendo Switch for our fun afternoon in March!

April School Happenings

The Manning & District Chamber of Commerce recently hosted the World of Work Job Fair at Paul Rowe. Students from Paul Rowe, Rosary, and Dixonville schools had the opportunity to learn about a variety of career and post-secondary opportunities. Thank you to the Chamber of Commerce for organizing this event and to all of the businesses and post-secondary institutions who attended!



More Mental Health and Education Week Highlights



An annual tradition, new students added their handprints to our hallways!



We participated in "Hats On! For Mental Health" To learn more visit www.canwetalk.ca.



The grade 7 class enjoyed floats after winning SCOER's class colour day competition!

Please follow our school Facebook page at facebook.com/PaulRoweHigh and/or check our website at www.paulrowehigh.ca for event updates!

Meanwhile in Class



Social 20 students were learning through experience with this model UN project! It was an excellent debate with great points made about current world issues from all representatives!



Mr. Bullen and his Science 9 students had some fun creating a light source using pickles!



Grade 7 students tested some aerodynamics with paper airplanes during SOLE block!



**Interested in what your child is learning?
Want to view marks their and attendance?**

To access the PRSD PowerSchool portal through a browser go to <https://prsd.powerschool.com/public/> or click the link in the Parents >Parent/School Communication or Quick Links section of our school website.

Need some support logging in? Please contact our school office at (780) 836-3397.



MAY 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 EDUCATION WEEK & MENTAL HEALTH WEEK	2 *No School for Students (Staff Meeting/PD Day)	3	4 *Hats on for Mental Health *Poetry Cafe	5 *Class Colour Day (SCOER Spirit Day) **'Movin' for Mental Health" *Study Café 3:30-4:30 PM	6 *Tea Friday	7
8	9 *Grade 12 Eagle Feather Ceremony 11 AM	10 *SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7 PM	11	12 *Study Café 3:30-4:30 PM	13	14
15	16 *Grade 9 PAT Exams Begin	17	18	19 *Throwback Thursday (SCOER Spirit Day) *Study Café 3:30—4:30 PM	20	21
22	23 *No School (Victoria Day)	24	25 *Camo Day (SCOER Spirit Day)	26 *MES Grade 6 Visit *Study Café 3:30—4:30 PM	27 *Spring Formal Dance hosted by SCOER 7—10 PM	28
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