



March 3, 2023

# The Raider's Report

The Official Paul Rowe Jr./Sr. High School Newsletter

## Paul Rowe Celebrates Indigenous Culture

*Knowledge Shared Through Culture Week Activities*



*Aboriginal Studies 10 students learned about and prepared protocol to be given to our presenters sharing their knowledge and gifts with us during our Indigenous culture week.*

From February 27 to March 3, our school community had the opportunity to learn more about Indigenous culture and history through a variety of Indigenous Culture Week activities including:

- Protocol preparation
- Beading
- Metis Jigging
- Blanket Exercise
- Bannock Making
- Teepee raising
- Storytelling

We are grateful to the following individuals for sharing their knowledge and gifts with us:

- Holly Crumpton
- Della Koch
- Jasmine Nahbexie
- Georgina Supernault
- Elvis Thomas
- Lawrence Lamouche
- Elder Kathleen Laboucan

Thank you also to Brent Reese for gathering and delivering spruce bows for the teepee.

Special thanks go out to PRSD FNMI Coordinator Holly Crumpton, Ms. Schmidt and Mr. Taylor for organizing these activities at our school.

### Also in this issue:

- ★ Now Taking Bookings for March 15 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- ★ New PRSD Emergency Procedure Guide for Parents and Guardians
- ★ Bus Driver Shortage May Potentially Impact Manning Routes
- ★ School Event Updates

### Important Dates:

#### March:

- ★ 9-10 No School for Students (Teachers' Convention)
- ★ 15 Parent/Teacher Interviews
- ★ 15 School Council Meeting
- ★ 16-17 Grad Photos
- ★ 24 No School for Students (Staff Meeting/PD Day)

#### April:

- ★ 6 Digital Mailout
- ★ 7-14 No School (Easter Break)

### Parents & Guardians:

Reminder: if you have questions, concerns or would like to check in with your child's teachers before Parent/Teacher Interviews, please call the school office or reach out through our online [Staff Directory](#).

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## PARENTS & GUARDIANS OF PAUL ROWE STUDENTS

*We are better together!*

### PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Wed. March 15

4 PM to 7 PM

Book online at:

[www.paulrowehigh.ca/bookings](http://www.paulrowehigh.ca/bookings)



### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Wed. March 15

at 7 PM

in the School Library  
Learning Commons

**SAVE THE DATE: CLASS OF 2023 GRADUATION  
is Sat. June 24 at 1 PM at the Jack McAvoy Arena**



# WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

The Food for Thought Breakfast Program is looking for volunteers for our main fundraiser!

**Food Booth for the Battle River Agricultural Society Rodeo (July 21st to 23rd, 2023).**

If you are willing to help out, please send us a message or reach out to one of the Manning schools.

*Thank you!*



**Thank you to our February  
Food for Thought volunteers:**

- Manning RCMP
- Lynette Stone
- Richardson Pioneer
- Terra Goodzeck

**Thank you for the staff treats:**

- Hodgin family
- Johnson family

# NEW “EMERGENCY PROCEDURE GUIDE FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS” SHARED BY PRSD

The Peace River School Division (PRSD) and other regional stakeholders have worked together to create Emergency Response documents to educate students, staff, families and the public on what their roles are should an emergency occur within their schools and communities. To view the news listing, which includes links to the full document, visit the [PRSD website](#).

## LOCKDOWN

Used when there is an internal threat of violence

- All internal and external doors and windows are locked and secured
- Staff & students are requested to keep quiet and take cover away from windows, doors and out of sight lines
- No one is allowed in or out of classrooms or the building

## PARENTAL & PUBLIC PROCEDURES

For your safety, all parents, as well as the public need to stay away from the building until the situation is cleared. Students may be moved to a new pick up location, and parents will be notified when it's safe to pick up their children.

## HOLD & SECURE

When security threat or criminal activity is outside and/or unrelated to the school

- Exterior doors & windows are locked
- Class continues to be in session
- No one is allowed in or out of the building

For your safety, all parents, as well as the public need to stay away from the building until the situation is cleared. This situation could potentially evolve into a lockdown or evacuation. Parents will be notified of the evolving situation & how the release of students will occur.

## SHELTER IN PLACE

Used to direct and control movement inside the school building when it is safer to remain inside and/or there is no threat of violence

- No one is allowed to leave designated area until ALL CLEAR or without permission
- Ex: severe weather or air quality incidents
- Individuals at risk will be allowed re-entry

Parents will be notified via email, calls, and texts. The Grimshaw Municipal Library & Mile Zero Regional Multiplex will notify the public via their Facebook pages. For your safety, all parents, as well as the public need to stay away from the building until the situation is cleared. Parents will be notified of student release procedures using the most up-to-date contact information in PowerSchool.

## EVACUATION

Used when it is safer to be outside the building than inside. Follows prearranged routes and exits but exit with caution

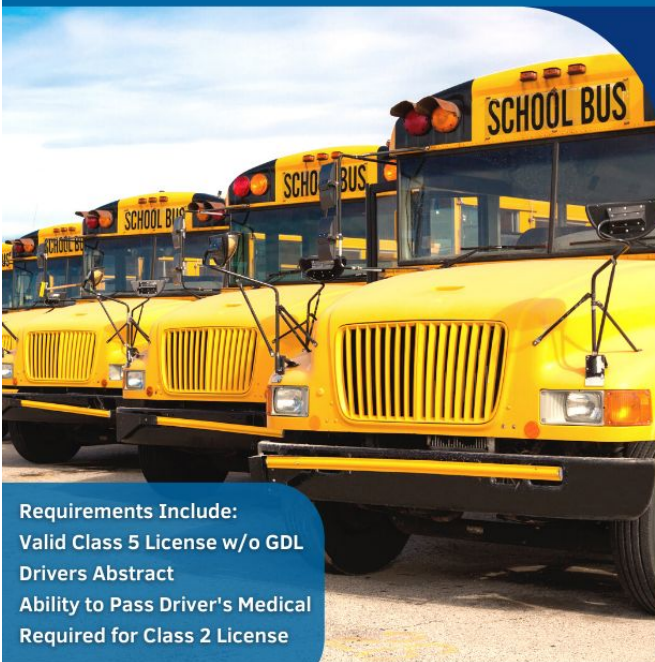
- All students are instructed to proceed to Muster Points
- Cannot return to building until ALL CLEAR is provided by first responders

For your safety, all parents, as well as the public need to stay away from the building until the situation is cleared. Students may be moved to a new pick up location, and parents will be notified when it's safe to pick up their children.

# REGULAR AND SPARE SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS NEEDED TO AVOID CANCELLATION OF SOME MANNING ROUTES

## BECOME A BUS DRIVER

»» DUE TO A BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE, PRSD IS FACING THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING TO CANCEL VARIOUS ROUTES WITHIN THE DIVISION ««



Requirements Include:  
Valid Class 5 License w/o GDL  
Drivers Abstract  
Ability to Pass Driver's Medical  
Required for Class 2 License

### Benefits Include:

- All Holidays & Summers Off
- No Childcare Costs
- All Training Paid & Provided by PRSD
- Health Benefits & Health Spending Account



For More Information  
Contact Merlin Lee at:  
780-624-3006 ext. 11104  
LeeMer@prsd.ab.ca

Or visit [www.prsd.ab.ca/careers](http://www.prsd.ab.ca/careers)

Peace River School Division is currently seeking regular and spare bus drivers, especially within the areas of Peace River and Manning.

Due to a bus driver shortage, we are facing the possibility of having to cancel various routes within the Division, which we understand can have significant impacts on families and students.

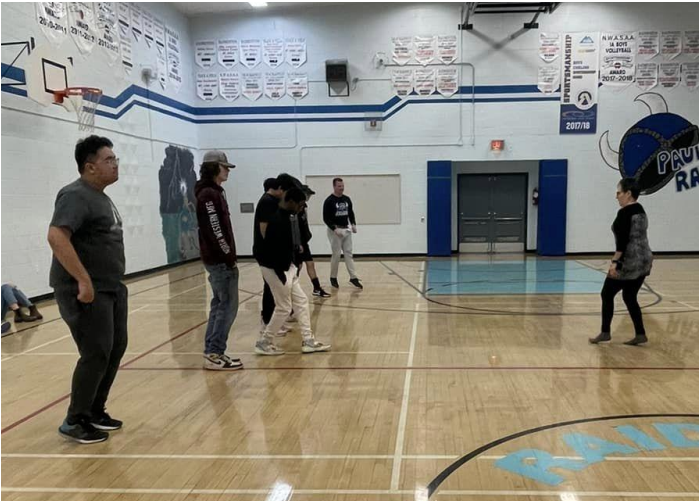
Driving a school bus is great for parents with young children, shift workers, retirees, and anyone else who is looking for immediate employment.

Requirements include:

- A Valid Class 5 License (without GDL)
- Driver's Abstract
- Ability to Pass Driver's Medical Required for Class 2 License

Apply today by contacting Merlin Lee, Transportation Manager, at 780-624-3006 or LeeMer@prsd.ab.ca or head to [www.prsd.ab.ca/careers](http://www.prsd.ab.ca/careers) for more information.

# INDIGENOUS CULTURAL CELEBRATION *(from pg. 1)*



Phys. Ed. 20/30 students started the week with lessons in jigging.



Art 9 and Art 10/20/30 classes learned how to bead.



Grade 11 and Grade 7 classes each participated in the Blanket Exercise - a powerful, interactive exercise to learn the history of Turtle Island and Canada's history.



Students had an amazing experience learning about the teepee and how to build it.



Students were guided through the process of bannock making. This traditional food was shared during teepee storytelling sessions the following day.

# FEBRUARY SCHOOL EVENTS

## NORTHERN LIGHTS ENSEMBLE



Paul Rowe's Northern Lights Ensemble and the Manning Elementary School Mighty Moose Band recently travelled to Grande Prairie to learn more about music and theatre. Paul Rowe students had the opportunity to:

- attend a master class and tour the theatre at Northwestern Polytechnic;
- participate in a musical theatre workshop.
- attend "Shrek the Musical" production; complete with a meet and greet with the cast and orchestra of Grande Prairie Live Theatre;
- visit the Long & McQuade Musical Instruments store.

Thank you to trip organizers, especially Mrs. Taylor (Asst. Principal at MES) and to Mrs. Presakarchuk for accompanying our students!



## MANNING RCMP EDUCATE STUDENTS REGARDING SUBSTANCE USE



Thank you to Constable Rogers from the Manning Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachments for speaking to our grades 7-10 classes about substance use, effects, and legal consequences.

# FEBRUARY SCHOOL EVENTS

## FAMILIES MATTERS WEEK



Congratulations to the Gordey family for winning our family day bingo! Honourable mention goes out to the Davies family for their second place finish!

Paul Rowe celebrated Families Matter Week by creating postcards, a video ([click here to watch](#)), and hosting a chili lunch and dodgeball game for students and their parents/guardians.

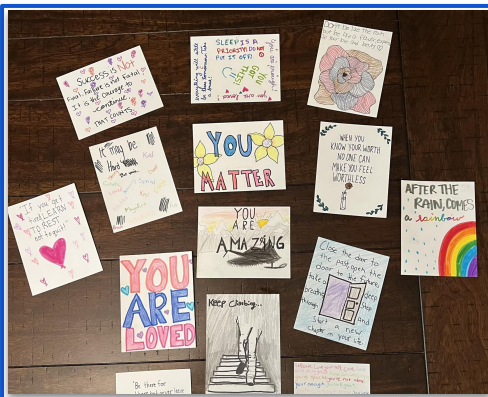
## PINK SHIRT DAY



February 22nd was Pink Shirt Day! The cold weather bus cancellations prevented many of our students from attending, however those that were here showed off their pink shirts with enthusiasm! Special thanks goes out to Mrs. Goodzeck, Mrs. Goddard, Savanna Goodzeck, and Mrs Presakarchuk for creating shirts for all of the students who are new to Paul Rowe this year. Thank you also to Mrs. Schmidt for organizing awareness activities.

## DID YOU RECEIVE ONE OF THESE POSTCARDS IN YOUR MAILBOX?

Grade 7-9 students at Paul Rowe helped to create postcards that were distributed throughout our community as a way to "lift each other up". This project was organized by Community Actions for Health and Well-being. 💜



# ATHLETICS

## CURLING



Congratulations to Chas, Rheyne, Erika, Bob, Josh, and Rachel who won gold at junior high curling zones! Way to go Raiders! 🎉



Congratulations to Leland, Liam, Carter and Chas who are competing at senior high curling provincials at the time of publication! Go Raiders!



Phys. Ed. 7 and Phys. Ed. 20/30 students enjoyed at trip to the curling rink to learn more about the sport!

## BASKETBALL



Basketball season will wrap up next week! Thank you to all of the coaches, parents, spectators and everyone else who showed support for our players!



### BADMINTON STARTS SOON!

Student sign-up sheets have been posted! Practice days and times will be announced soon!





**PAUL ROWE JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL**  
**MARCH 2023**

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday                      | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday |  |
|--------|--------|------------------------------|--|--|---|----------|--|
| 5      | 6      | 7<br>Hot Lunch: Subway       | 8<br>Hot Lunch Orders Due  | 9<br>No School for Students (Teachers' Convention) | 10<br>No School for Students (Teachers' Convention)                 | 11       |  |
| 12     | 13     | 14<br>Hot Lunch: Neighbors   | 15<br>PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS 4-7 PM<br>SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7 PM  | 16<br>Grad Photos<br>Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM       | 17<br>SCOER Spirit Day (Green Day) & Shamrock Shakes<br>Grad Photos | 18       |  |
| 19     | 20     | 21<br>Hot Lunch: Maylene's   | 22   | 23<br>Study Cafe 3:30-4:30 PM                      | 24<br>No School for Students (Staff Meeting/PD Day)                 | 25       |  |
| 26     | 27     | 28<br>Hot Lunch: Snack Shack | <b>IMPORTANT APRIL DATES:</b><br>★ 6 Digital Mail Out<br>★ 7-14 Easter Break<br>★ 21 Term 3 Report Cards Available |  |   |          |  |

**STAY UP-TO-DATE WITH ANNOUNCEMENTS, INVITATIONS, ETC.**

Parents/guardians who have Facebook accounts are encouraged to follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/PaulRoweHigh>. Those who do not have Facebook accounts are encouraged to visit our website regularly at [www.paulrowehigh.ca/](http://www.paulrowehigh.ca/).